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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the honour to invite you to participate in the 2026 World Meteorological Day celebrations, which will be held on 23 March 2026 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the World Meteorological Organization's headquarters.

As decided by the WMO Executive Council, the theme for this year is "Observing Today, Protecting Tomorrow". This theme highlights the crucial link between today's Earth observations and data collection, and future resilience and safety. It reflects the work of WMO and its Members in setting standards for observations, facilitating data exchange, and the potential to leverage citizen science. Even in an era of rapid advances in artificial intelligence and satellite technology, we must maintain and expand observational capacity to better protect people everywhere. The event will also highlight the role of young people as builders of community resilience.

WMO will also launch its flagship State of the Climate 2025 report on World Meteorological Day. The report, which includes inputs from many WMO Members, will provide a comprehensive update on key climate indicators and their impacts.

The Global Communication and Engagement Office will be reaching out to focal points at the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs), inviting Members to share their photos of observation in action—whether on radiosonde launches or hydrological monitoring. We encourage you to support this outreach, as together we seek to draw attention to the critical role observations play in protecting people and the planet.

The event will be followed by a Reception in the Attic (WMO restaurant). More information is available on the [WMO website](#).

I should be grateful if you could kindly inform the Global Communication and Engagement Office of your participation by **16 March 2026** to communication@wmo.int.

Yours faithfully,

Prof. Celeste Saulo
Secretary-General

To: Permanent Representatives to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva