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Subject: Phase II of the eighteenth session of Regional Association I (Africa),  
RA I-18 (II), 23-26 August 2021, onlineActions required: (1) To nominate delegates to participate in the session and arrange for  
their credentials  
(2) To pre-register delegates with the online Event Registration System  
(ERS)

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that Phase II of the eighteenth session of Regional Association I (Africa) (RA I-18(II)) of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) will be held online through a remote platform from 23 to 26 August 2021. Phase I of the eighteenth session of the Regional Association I was held from 18 to 19 March 2021.

The provisional agenda and the explanatory memorandum for Phase II of the RA I-18 session will be accessible on tab "Part II" of the [session website](#). Instructions and guidelines on the use of the online platform will also be made available on the session website.

Regulation 20 of the WMO General Regulations (*Basic documents No. 1, 2019 edition* (WMO-No. 15)) requests Members to provide credentials for their delegations for the session with a clear indication of the principal delegate and the alternate. I should welcome in due course the credentials of your delegation, signed by, or on behalf of, an appropriate governmental authority of the Member, for those delegations who did not provide valid credentials during Phase I of the RA I-18. Credentials received for RA I-18 (Phase I) remain valid for Phase II of the session when they include the same delegates.

In view of their official status with WMO, Permanent Representatives are kindly invited to act as focal points for the online registration of their delegation to the RA I-18. The link to the online [Event Registration System \(ERS\)](#), the username and password that were sent to the Permanent Representatives by email, remain valid for all upcoming WMO meetings.

I have the further honour to inform you that the online registration will close on **19 August 2021** and, for further information concerning the online pre-registration, please do not hesitate to contact the WMO Secretariat by email at: [registration@wmo.int](mailto:registration@wmo.int).

Please also note that the submission of information through the online ERS does not exempt Members from the need to provide valid credentials for the participating delegation.

In view of limited time during the online session to discuss documents, Permanent Representatives and session delegates are invited to provide their comments and proposed changes to the documents in advance of the session via [plenary@wmo.int](mailto:plenary@wmo.int), preferably one week before the session.

To: Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Member States of the World Meteorological Organization

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Permanent Representative and Hydrological Adviser of your country with WMO, as well as to Permanent Missions of Member States with WMO to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva; presidents of regional associations and technical commissions and chairs of WMO bodies.

Accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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