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Annex: 1 (available in English only)

Subject: Meteorological Technology World Expo, Brussels, Belgium, 13-15 October 2015

Action required: Bring to the attention of your relevant meteorological instrumentation expert(s) the availability of travel grants for attendance at the exhibition.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to draw your attention to this year's Meteorological Technology World Expo, which will be held in Brussels, Belgium from 13 to 15 October 2015.

The exhibition organizer, UKIP Media and Events, has this year made available a travel grant fund totaling €50,000 to assist the attendance at the exhibition of subject matter experts from National Meteorological Hydrometeorological Services. Details of how to apply are provided in the Annex. It is recommended that applications be made as soon as possible.

I invite you to draw this opportunity to the attention of your relevant experts.

Yours faithfully,

(J. Lengoasa) for the Secretary-General

- To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO (PR-6846)
- cc: Mr A. Karpov, Executive Secretary, HMEI) Mr G. Johnson, Managing Director, UKIP Media & Events Ltd) (for information)

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UKIP ADVERTISEMENT

€50,000 travel grant pot to help you attend the world's biggest and best meteorological technology exhibition.

To ensure that as many of the right and relevant research scientists and national meteorological service providers as possible can attend **Meteorological Technology World Expo 2015**, we have created a \in 50,000 travel grant fund.

Any employee of a government-owned National Meteorological Service and any member of a national research institute or university can apply for a grant that will cover all or some of their travel arrangements to **Meteorological Technology World Expo in Brussels, Belgium from 13-15 October 2015**. It is our expectation to fly or train in up to 100 meteorologists or researchers from around the world.

The decision as to who is awarded a travel grant will be entirely at the discretion of the show organizers. Successful candidates will be chosen based on their significance in the industry according to the organizers. No appeals can be made. Any additional travel costs outside of the money awarded are to be covered by the candidate; the organizers are not responsible for your food or beverage consumption or your insurance, safety or belongings. We are also not responsible for organizing any additional travel arrangements such as taxis to and from airports. Failure to attend the event for the days scheduled will mean you are liable to refund the entire travel costs. We reserve the right to cancel your travel arrangements without explanation.

How to apply

To apply for a travel grant, please e-mail James Taylor, head of audience development, at <u>james.taylor@ukipme.com</u>. Include your full contact details, employer's details, a 50-word explanation as to why you wish to attend the world's largest meteorological technology exhibition, plus a reference contact at your employer.

Closing date for submissions is **25 September 2015**, although we reserve the right to bring this deadline forward if the fund is exhausted earlier.
