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Subject: Request to complete the WMO online survey on Operational Weather Radars Status and Requirements for WMO Assistance and Coordination

Action required: Completion of online survey by **27 February 2017**

Dear Sir/Madam,

You may recall that, in accordance with the request of Seventeenth World Meteorological Congress (Cg-17), the Commission for Instruments and Methods of Observation (CIMO) has, in consultation and agreement with the Commission for Basic Systems (CBS), established the Inter-Programme Expert Team on Operational Weather Radars (IPET-OWR). This team provides a WMO focus for all international aspects of operational weather radars and will hold its first session from 13 to 16 March 2017 in Tokyo, Japan.

Ahead of this meeting, CIMO is conducting a brief survey of all Members with the aim to determine the current status of operational weather radar networks and to seek their suggestions and requirements of WMO and the IPET-OWR for activities aimed at improving the operation of weather radar networks and the quality and international exchange of radar data and products.

The results of the survey will be analysed, presented and considered during the first meeting of IPET-OWR and used to provide a focus for the establishment of priorities within its workplan.

The survey should be undertaken by an appropriate member of the organization who is an expert or who is familiar with both the operation of observing systems, particularly weather radar systems, and the use of observational data in meteorological applications.

It is expected that the survey, which is only available in English online, should take around 20 minutes or less to complete and should please be completed by no later than **27 February 2017**.

I would be grateful if you would therefore please designate an appropriate member of your service to undertake the survey at the following address:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B7X5MB7>

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support to WMO and in particular to the activities of the WMO Commission for Instruments and Methods of Observation (CIMO) and of the Commission for Basic Systems (CBS).

Yours faithfully,



(E. Manaenkova)
for the Secretary-General