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Subject: WCRP Climate Science Week – AGU Fall Meeting  
(San Francisco, CA, USA, 7-13 December 2019)

Action required: Consider attending the WCRP Climate Science Week

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that the World Climate Research Programme (WCRP), of which the World Meteorological Organization is a co-sponsor, together with the International Science Council and the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO, is celebrating 40 years of outstanding scientific achievements, which have significantly advanced knowledge of the climate system and how it is changing, along with the ability to predict these changes and understand the role that human activities are playing. Recognizing that the coming decades will bring new challenges and opportunities in climate research, WCRP has recently launched its new [Strategic Plan](#).

To celebrate the success of WCRP over the last four decades and to plan the further implementation of WCRP, a number of activities are planned at the [American Geophysical Union \(AGU\) Fall Meeting 2019](#), from 7 to 13 December 2019, collectively known as the [WCRP Climate Science Week](#).

The key WCRP events taking place during the **WCRP Climate Science Week** include:

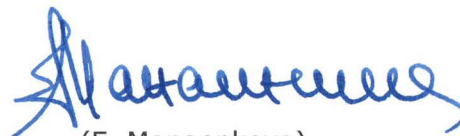
- **WCRP/AGU Early Career Workshop** (Saturday 7 December) - The Workshop, entitled "*Water Cycle in a 1.5° Warmer World: Interdisciplinary Approaches*" will bring together early career scientists from across the WCRP community to formulate a perspective on the water cycle and governance under climate change.
- **WCRP 40th Anniversary Symposium** (Sunday 8 December) - This full-day symposium will include talks from key figures in climate science and will officially launch a new phase of WCRP.
- **WCRP Union Session** (Friday 13 December) – The Union session "*Climate Research for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: from Challenges and Opportunities to Implementation*" will focus on discussion related to the future of climate science.
- **WCRP Town Halls** (9-12 December) - Four community-led town halls will discuss each of the four scientific objectives in the new WCRP Strategic Plan.
- **WCRP Science Sessions** (8-13 December) - The WCRP community has proposed over 30 science sessions across the AGU program. We look forward to an exciting science agenda, in both the oral and poster sessions, throughout the week.

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

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives  
Presidents of Regional Associations  
Presidents of Technical Commissions

I strongly encourage you, your staff and your national networks, to participate actively in those events and to engage with WCRP community who contribute significantly to WMO's mission and its new emphasis.

Yours faithfully,



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for the Secretary-General