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Subject: Phase 2 of the seventeenth session of Regional Association II (Asia)  
RA II-17, 27 to 30 September 2021

Actions 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 2 of the seventeenth session of Regional Association II (Asia) (RA II-17(II)) of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) will be held online through a remote multilingual platform from 27 to 30 September 2021.

The provisional agenda and the explanatory memorandum for the session will be accessible on the [session website](#). Instructions and guidelines on the use of the online platform will be made available on the session website and participants will be required to test the videoconferencing tool prior to the session.

In addition, 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 clear indication of the principal delegate and his/her alternate. In this connection 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 1 of the RA II-17. Credentials received for RA II-17 (Phase 1) remain valid for Phase 2 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 II-17. 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 **23 September 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 those concerned 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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