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Annexes: 2 (Annex II available in English only)

Subject: Sixteenth Regional Technical Conference - Regional Association I (RA I-Africa),
Praia, Cabo Verde, 6–7 October 2014

Action required: To complete and return the nomination form to the WMO Secretariat preferably
by **20 August 2014**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am pleased to inform you that, at the kind invitation of the Government of Cabo Verde, the Sixteenth Regional Technical Conference on Regional Association I (RA I-Africa) will be held in Praia, Cabo Verde, from 6 to 7 October 2014 to be followed by the sixteenth session of RA I (RA I-16) from 8 to 14 October 2014. The purpose of the Technical Conference is to provide a forum for NMHSs Directors and senior officials to exchange views and share experiences on challenges and emerging issues that Members are facing and identify future regional priorities to improve weather, climate and water services for sustainable development. The outcomes of the Conference will be reported to RA I-16.

The Conference will be conducted in English and French. The methodology is presentation by various experts, followed by interactive discussions with the assistance of facilitators. In this respect, the participants are expected to actively participate in the discussions, and contribute to the work of the Conference.

The Conference will discuss, among others, the topics as given in the Provisional Annotated Agenda, attached as Annex I.

In view of the limited funds allocated for the organization of this Conference, it is hoped that your Government will meet the expenses related to the participation of its nominee(s). However, if this is not possible, WMO would be prepared to consider, within the limited funds available, the possibility of meeting the cost of travel and/or daily subsistence allowance for the Conference for one participant from your Service provided that the participant also attends the sixteenth session of RA I. Priority for WMO financial assistance will be given to the participants from Least Developed Countries (LDCs).

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association I (AFR-781)

cc: President and vice-president of RA I (for information)

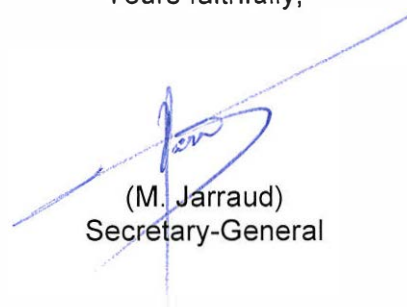
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I should therefore be grateful if you could return the attached nomination form (Annex II) duly completed, and communicate your decision to the WMO Secretariat as soon as possible, preferably by **20 August 2014**.

An information note will be sent to participants upon their confirmation.

I look forward to the participation of your Service in this important Conference.

Yours faithfully,



(M. Jarraud)
Secretary-General

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DRA-AFLDC/RA I/RECO, ANNEX I

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Regional Association I (RAI-Africa)

Regional Technical Conference (RECO)

6–7 October 2014, Cabo Verde

Day 1, 6 October 2014

Time	Item	Moderator / Speaker
9:00 – 9:15	Opening Ceremony	
9:15 – 9:30	Introduction to the Technical Conference and Working Arrangements	
9:30 – 10:15	Topic 1: Global Framework for Climate Services (with a focus on African activities highlighting strong linkages to the AMCOMET and the Strategy)	F. Lucio
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30 – 11:15	Topic 2: Harmonization of the RA I Strategic Plan and the Integrated African Strategy on Meteorology (<i>taking into consideration WMO Strategy with a focus on service delivery</i>)	A. Makarau / D/AFLDC
11:15 – 12:00	Topic 3: Capacity and human resource development on meteorology (weather and climate), operational hydrology and related geosciences, and priorities in Africa	Jeff Wilson
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:00	Topic 4: Status of the Implementation of QMS and Competency Assessment of aeronautical personnel in Africa, including cost recovery, and Overview of the Global Air Navigation Plan	D. Ivanov
15:00 – 15:45	Topic 5: Socio-economic benefits of weather and climate services (investment in NMHSs)	World Bank, H. Kootval
15:45 – 16:00	Coffee Break	
16:00 – 17:00	Topic 6: Importance of remote sensing on weather and climate forecasting in Africa	EUMETSAT and WMO Space Programme
17:00	End of Day 1	

Day 2, 7 October 2014

Time	Item	Moderator / Speaker
9:00 – 10:15	Topic 7: WIS/WIGOS (including status of sub-regional and national implementation, and next steps in Africa)	W. Zhang
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee Break	
10:30 – 11:15	Topic 8: Disaster Risk Reduction and Severe Weather Demonstration Project	Xu Tang
11:15 – 12:00	Topic 9: Public-Private Partnerships: overview and benefits of engaging with the Private Sector (case studies showing collaboration between NMHSs and Private Sector – i.e. mobile weather alert and AMDAR)	TBD
12:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 14:45	Topic 10: Management of Meteorological Services	D/AFLDC
14:45 – 15:30	Report Writing	
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee Break	
15:45 – 16:00	Report Writing	
16:00 – 17:00	Presentation and Adoption of Recommendations	
17:00	End of Day 2	

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DRA-AFLDC/RA I-RECO, ANNEX II

Sixteenth Regional Technical Conference in Regional Association I (RAI, Africa)

(Praia, Cabo Verde, 6 – 7 October 2014)

Participation Nomination Form

1. Country: _____
2. Service or Organization: _____
3. Nominee:
- Surname (Dr/Mr/Ms): _____
- First name: _____
- Address: _____
- _____
- Telephone: _____
- Telefax: _____
- E-mail: _____
4. Proposed title of the presentation, *if applicable* _____

5. If financial assistance is required, please indicate whether for:

Travel: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Per diem: ☐ Yes ☐ No

6. Please indicate whether you are attending the Sixteenth Session of RA I (8 – 14 October 2014):

Attending ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please note that according to WMO Rules and Procedures, Member States do not receive per-diem for Regional Association Meetings.

7. Please indicate whether you are attending the Third Session of AMCOMET (15 – 18 October 2014):

Attending ☐ Yes ☐ No

Per diem required: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date:

Permanent Representative's signature:

To be returned not later than 15 August 2014 to:

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