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Annex: 1 (available in English only)

Subject: Training Workshop for National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) on Designing Socio-Economic Benefits Studies of Meteorological/Hydrological Services and Products for Members in Regional Association VI (Europe), Zagreb, Croatia, 29 June-3 July 2015

Action required: To return the duly filled, signed and dated attached Nomination Form (see Annex) to the Secretariat, **as soon as possible but preferably not later than 29 March 2015**

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the World Bank (WB) are in the process of preparing a book on methods of assessments of Socio-Economic Benefits (SEBs) of meteorological/hydrological services. The preparation of the book has involved a number of authors and editors, supported by WMO, the World Bank, and the Climate Services Partnership (CSP) through the USAID-funded Climate Change Resilient Development Project.

To help accelerate the use of the book and facilitate a new generation of Socio-Economic Benefits (SEB studies), WMO, the World Bank and CSP are planning to organize a number of one-week regional training workshops for National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs). One such workshop on the design of economic studies of weather, climate and hydrological services and products will be organized by the Public Weather Services (PWS) Programme of WMO for Members in Regional Association VI (Europe). The workshop will provide a forum for the participating Members to discuss with the experts the methodologies for assessing the socio-economic benefits of the services they provide, as contained in the book, as well as presentations and discussions on case studies which are on-going or are planned for future implementation.

I have pleasure in informing you that, at the kind invitation of the Government of Croatia, WMO, through the PWS Programme, in collaboration with the Regional Office for Europe (ROE) and the RA VI Working Group on Service Delivery and Partnership (RA VI WG-SDP), and in coordination with the Meteorological Service of Croatia, is organizing the Training Workshop for National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) on Designing Socio-Economic Benefits Studies of Meteorological/Hydrological Services and Products for Members in Regional Association VI (Europe), in Zagreb, Croatia, from 29 June to 3 July 2015. The purpose of this correspondence is to invite you to nominate a participant from your Service to attend this workshop. It should be noted that this event will be conducted in English only.

To: Permanent Representatives of Members of Regional Association VI (EUR-735)

cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

It is hoped that your Government would be willing to consider meeting the cost of your or your nominated participant's attendance in this workshop. However, if this is not possible, WMO, is prepared to consider, upon request, to provide financial support for travel (the most direct and economic rate) and/or an appropriately adjusted Daily Subsistence Allowance (DSA). In the affirmative, your nominated participant will be contacted directly concerning the agenda, supporting documentation and travel arrangements (if required, or necessary). Due to the limited funding available for this event, it should be noted that priority will be given to Least Developed Countries (LDC) within the Region.

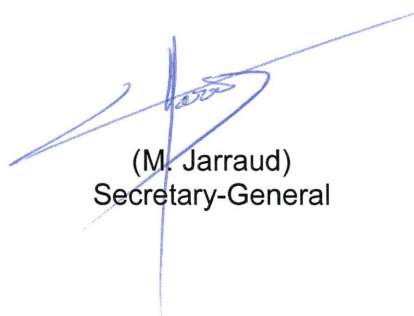
In order to clarify WMO's insurance coverage for non-staff members, I should like to draw your and your nominated participant's attention to the following:

"The Organization accepts limited responsibility for compensation in the event of death, illness or injury attributable to attendance at meetings or the performance of services, on behalf of the Organization, by non-staff members of the Organization who are authorized to travel at its expense and/or who are receiving a daily subsistence allowance. These persons are therefore fully responsible for any expenses incurred as a result of events which are not attributable to attendance at meetings or the performance of services on behalf of the Organization and for arranging such life, health and other forms of insurance as they consider appropriate".

Nomination Forms should be submitted to the WMO Secretariat, by e-mail attachment to: Ms Haleh Kootval, Chief, Public Weather Services Programme (HKootval@wmo.int), with a copy for information to: Ms Michelle L. Reidsema (MR Reidsema@wmo.int), **as soon as possible, but not later than 29 March 2015.**

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to you and your Service for your continued support in promoting the Programmes and activities of WMO.

Yours faithfully,



(M. Jarraud)
Secretary-General

22. Formal Concurrence of Participation:

Date	Signature of Permanent Representative

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ANNEX TO QUESTION 18: MOTIVATIONS FOR SEB STUDIES

1. Validating the provision of fundamental met/hydro services;
 2. Validating the provision of specialized met/hydro services;
 3. Validating new investments to strengthen, improve or increase the scope of met/hydro services or innovations delivered by NMHSs, or to address previous shortfall in funding for maintenance and depreciation of infrastructure;
 4. Supporting decisions regarding the allocation of resources between programme areas within NMHSs;
 5. Demonstrating the extent to which allocated resources result in the required level of met/hydro services at the lowest reasonable cost (i.e., cost-effectiveness); and
 6. Determining the value of NMHS services to strategic policy goals (e.g., climate adaptation, agricultural development, energy planning and other weather-sensitive industries).
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