

Subject:

International Training Course on Climate Services for Disaster Prevention, 23 October to 10 November 2017 (Distance Learning) and 20 November to 1 December 2017 (Classroom Learning), Florence, Italy

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure of informing you that the International Training Course on Climate Services for Disaster Prevention, will be taking place from 23 October to 10 November 2017 (Distance Learning) and from 20 November to 1 December 2017 (Classroom Learning) in Sesto Fiorentino, Florence, Italy. The course is the first event of the Training Programme on Climate Change Adaptation and Disaster Risk Reduction in Agriculture (PACC/RRC), financed by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS) and realized by WMO in collaboration with the Regional Training Center in Italy IBIMET-CNR and the AGRHYMET Regional Centre.

The course is designed for technicians and experts of National Hydro-Meteorological Services and other technical services involved in disaster risk reduction. The course is specifically designed for meteorologists, climatologists, agro-meteorologists and hydrologists, creating an environment where climate, hydrology and agriculture actors can share a common view and develop a common language. Target countries are the CILSS/ECOWAS Member countries. The course will be conducted in English. Please find attached the Course

Participant Qualifications for Admission

- *Education Level:* to be specialized in meteorology, climatology, hydrology, agricultural sciences, or water management
- *Position/Task:* from National Hydro-Meteorological Services, National Agricultural Services, National Platforms for Disaster Risk reduction or Research Institutions from CILSS/ECOWAS Countries
- *Basic knowledge of geostatistical analysis (basic knowledge of R and/or QGIS is desirable)*
- *Experience:* At least 3 years of relevant working experience in climatic risk analysis.
- *Language:* To be proficient in English

Application and Selection Process

Interested candidates are requested to complete the attached Participant Application Form which includes the nomination by the national Permanent Representative (PR) with WMO. Applications, as specified in the form, should be sent by the PR of the country to the IBIMET-CNR and will be forwarded to WMO ETR Office and the AGRHYMET Regional Centre.

The PR is kindly requested to submit up to 3 nominations, of which no more than 2 should be from the National Meteorological and Hydrological Service (NMHS). The PR is asked to ensure gender diversity. Participant selection will be made by the 3 project partners (WMO, IBIMET-CNR, AGRHYMET), with the goal of broadening national and institutional engagement.

Admitted participants are requested to prepare a report/presentation on their (or their Service's) experience on the themes of the course for the purpose of knowledge exchange. They are also requested to prepare a dataset of climatic data to be used for the practical sessions of the course.

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Those who are interested, please accomplish the attached Application Form and have it signed by your immediate Supervisor and Division Chief, and submit to the PPDC Secretariat, Fellowships/Scholarships Unit on or before 04 JULY, 2017.

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