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Building Capacity around the world by strengthening National Meteorological Societies & Regional Meteorological Societies and creating Collaborations!

Preliminary Program for IFMS Global Meeting #07

1 Introduction

Every alternate year IFMS holds its Global Meeting/Conference. The last one was held in Boston in January 2019 along with the AMS Centennial Celebration. This year we have organized a Virtual IFMS Global Meeting/Conference #7 (IGM/C-07) in five sessions starting from November 17, 2021 to December 15, 2021 – one session a week. The Virtual Meetings will be beneficial to our member Societies and other well-wishers to participate and learn about our very important activities and enhance their participation in our activities which in fact are their activities.

2 IGM/C-07 Sessions

To make it easier to participate at a convenient time from all continents, Session 1 will be held in two sub-Sessions 1A on November 17 (at 10:00 AM NY Time) and 1B on November 18 at (00:00 NY Time): Get to know your sister Societies: each Society will make a presentation of 8 minutes and that will be followed by a short discussion on how IFMS can help member Societies to grow.

Session 2 on November 24 (8:00 AM New York Time) –

Part 1: Importance of Creating NMSocs (30 minutes) and

Part 2: A Panel Discussion on IFMS Approach on Education and Training (90 minutes).

Session 3 on December 1 (8:00 AM New York Time) –

Part 1: Presentation on IFMS Value Proposition and Financial arrangements (30 minutes).

Part 2: A Panel Discussion on “IFMS Value Proposition (VP) and prioritization of VP items”.

Session 4 on December 8 (8:00 AM New York Time) –

Part 1: Public Lecture on Causes of Global Warming & Climate Change (**GW&CC**), its Remedies and how to cope with the effects of GW&CC. (40 to 45 minutes).

Part 2: Panel Discussion on topics discussed in Part 1 – 75 minutes.

Session 5 on December 15 (8:00 AM New York Time) –

Part 1: First hour - Presentations on Multi Hazard, Early Warning System of Europe called Anywhere for Europe (A4EU - MH-EWS) by two European Speakers who were deeply involved in its development (60 minutes).

Part 2: Panel Discussion on Requirements of MH-EWS and how it can be made available to all countries (60 minutes).

3 Session 1: Invitation to Speak in this Session

This session is, “Get to know your sister Societies/your partners – other National Meteorological Societies (**NMSocs**)”. This session will be held as follows:

- 1) To cover both hemispheres, it will be held over 2 days - 2 hours each day at - following times.
November 17: 10:00 AM New York DST (Day light Saving Time),
November 18: 00:00 (Mid-Night) New York DST.
- 2) ***All member societies are requested to make a presentation on their activities in 8 minutes each as per the Guidelines presented in Section 4.***
- 3) A maximum of 12 speakers will be accommodated on each day for a total of 24 speakers. The remaining time on each day will be used for Q&A interaction managed by Moderators.
- 4) Presentations will be selected on the first come first served basis.
- 5) Member Societies will be given the first opportunity to speak. If any spots out of 24 are left open, non-member societies can be also given opportunity. Organizations/Associations representing multiple Societies such as South Asian Meteorological Association (**SAMA**) will also be given an opportunity.

4 Recommended Guideline for Presentations

It is strongly recommended that your presentation be based on the following guidelines:

- a) There should be a small number of Power Point slides.
- b) Mention the annual events organized.
- c) Specify 2-3 important programs with short description.
- d) Outreach programs which are beneficial to your society and others.
- e) How can IFMS help you further the current activities of your society?
- f) Your future plan of activities.
- g) Any recommendations for improving IFMS activities.

5 Sessions 2 to 5

We believe that building capacity all over the world by working together rather than in silos is very important. What many societies could not do by themselves because of lack of financial and in many cases qualified resources, can be done by sharing work and coordinating it through IFMS and in many cases Regional Meteorological Societies (**RMS**). Since GW&CC is a global issue, it needs to be resolved through global cooperation.

The first level of cooperation is at the level of National Meteorological Societies which by becoming members of their RMS and IFMS can increase their regional and international horizons greatly. Therefore, we are strongly emphasizing the creation of National Meteorological Societies and Regional Meteorological Societies where they do not exist.

Therefore, **Session 2** starts with “How to create a Society” and then create cooperation to build Capacity through collaboration in Education and Training (**E&T**). It will discuss how IFMS can help WMO, WB and COMET in their mission to build capacity.

Session 3 is about the Value Proposition of IFMS and then a discussion, how IFMS can be made most useful to serve NMSocs and hence society at large.

Session 4 will start with a **Public Lecture** on Causes of Global Warming & Climate Change (**GW&CC**), its Remedies and how to cope with the effects of GW&CC. Please invite all your friends working in any field profession. This will be followed by a Panel discussion on above issues.

Session 5 will deal with Multi-Hazard Early Warning Systems (MH-EWS). It will start with a presentation by two European speakers about implementation of MH-EWS for Europe and then a Panel discussion on what are the best ways of implementing such systems all over the world.

6 Present state of Planning

Currently, we have defined the sessions and their objectives. We have identified and confirmed all the Moderators and Panelists which are experts in their area and will make very valuable contribution to the discussions.

Sessions 1A and 1B are awaiting requests from NMSocs for slot to make a presentation – please hurry up – very few days are left.

The complete Program has been finalized and presented in the attached Program File which also provides the links for registering for each session.

7 Conclusions

IFMS' motto is "*Making whole much bigger than the sum of its parts*". In the past 5 years we have come a long way and that is without a Secretariat and adequate Financing. We are deeply thankful to AMS which has helped us financially whenever we needed.

There is no mandatory fee to join IFMS but still some other NMSocs have also shown their confidence in IFMS by donating whatever amount they could despite the fact that most societies operate on a shoe string budget. We are greatly thankful to them.

In order to arrange funding with a solid value proposition, we wanted to create and demonstrate value to potential funding organizations to deserve the required funding. During the next year, we will be making all-out effort to arrange funding and start Secretariat which will allow us to carry out a lot more activities all dedicated to creating collaborations for Capacity Building.

Initiatives like International Forum of Meteorological Societies can only be greatly successful if all its parts (NMSocs) show a lot of interest and provide volunteers to fulfill various tasks.

Let's all participate in this IGM/C-07 in large numbers and make it a great success.

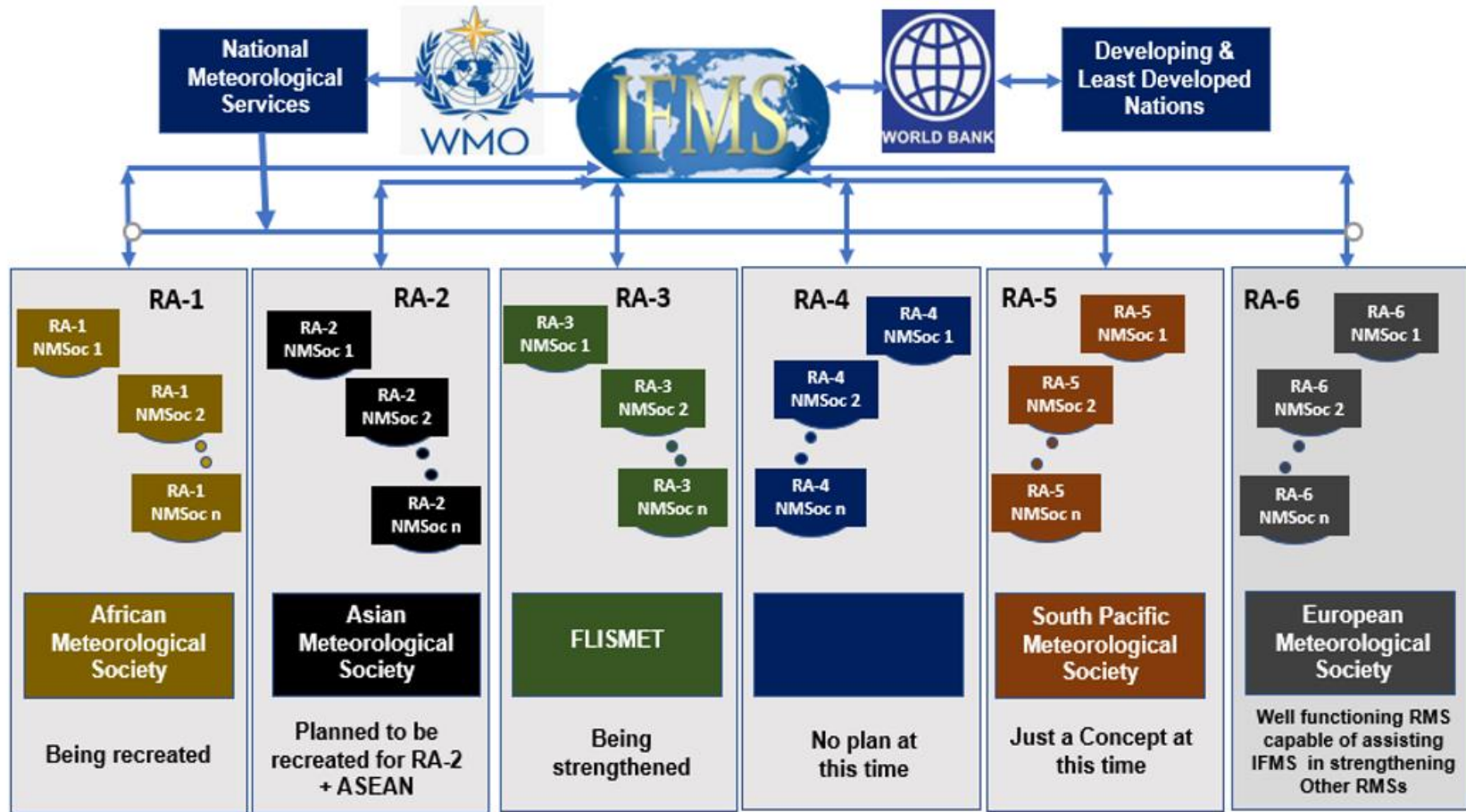
Please distribute this document and the attached Program to all your members and to your National Meteorological/Hydrological Services.

We are in the process of collecting Bios and Pictures of the presenters/Moderators/Panelists and Abstracts of their presentations which will be added to this document to create its complete version.



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NMS: National Meteorological Service NMSoc: National Meteorological Society RMS: Regional Meteorological Society

LET'S WALK THAT EXTRA MILE

"The limits of the possible can only be defined by going beyond them into the impossible."

--Arthur C. Clarke

**It's never crowded along
the extra mile.**

Wayne Dyer

And that is where success resides