**Meeting of Directors of WMO RTCs in RA-I and Collaborating Partners**

**Outcomes of WMO 18th Congress and EC 71 in the context of implementation of WMO Global Campus Initiative, Concept of University Collaboration on Education and Training, SYMET 13 Recommendations in WMO RA I**

**(Cairo, Egypt 28 October - 1 November 2019)**

**Provisional Agenda**

**Daily Timeframes**

Departure from Raddison Blu: 08:15

Departure from Royal Marshal Hotel: 8:45

Session begins: 09:15

Morning Coffee: 10:40-11:00

Lunch: 13:00-14:00

Afternoon Coffee: 15:00-15:20

Consultation time for Chairs & Rapporteurs, Side meetings: 16:30

Departure to hotels: 17:00

**Day 1 Setting the context**

1. Opening session: Meeting goals and agenda review
2. Presentation and discussion on outcomes of 18th WMO Congress and 71st Executive Council, including their impacts, challenges and opportunities for RTCs and partners
3. Review and discussion of the Thirteenth Symposium on Education and Training (SYMET-13) and its outcomes
4. Presentation and discussion on WMO Global campus concepts, goals and global and regional activities.

**Day 2 Examining the current situation**

1. Presentation on WMO education and training programme, include roles of RTCs
	1. structure and working methods of WMO ETR
	2. development of training capacity in the region
	3. RTC network
		1. Roles and operations of RTCs
		2. RTC assessment criteria
	4. modalities for getting RTCs more involved in WMO activities and other multilateral projects on capacity development
	5. Discussion of the roles of RTCs and challenges to meeting responsibilities
	6. working with collaborating partners
	7. donor-funded projects
	8. Example 1: PACC/RRC and TOPACS
	9. Example 2: Ibero-American RTCs Collaboration
2. Presentations by each of the RA-I RTCs and external collaborating partners in attendance (maximum 15 minutes)
	1. What are your key strengths?
	2. What are your best examples of collaboration with other training institutions?
	3. What you can offer (other) RTCs in RA-I?
	4. How could you benefit from the (other) RTCs in RA-I?

(21 total presentations, by WMO Regional Office Africa, RTC Algeria IHFR, RTC Egypt EMA, RTC Kenya IMTR, RTC Kenya UON, RTC Madagascar ESPA, RTC Niger EAMAC, RTC Niger AGRHYMET, RTC Nigeria FUTA, RTC Nigeria MRTI, RTC South Africa SAWS. Followed by Maroc VLab CoE, CMA, NUIST, AEMET, ECMWF/Copernicus, EUMETSAT, IBIMET, Meteo France, University of Reading, UCAR/COMET)

**Day 3 Examining the current situation continues, and issues emerging**

1. Continued presentations from RTCs and collaborating partners (as necessary)
2. Summary of the strengths, offerings, and benefits of collaboration arising from the presentations (form to be provided to presenters)
3. Issues emerging

**Day 4 Action Strategies and Plans**

1. Presentation and discussion on WMO Global Campus university collaboration opportunities
2. Presentation and discussion on WMO Global Campus NMHS collaboration opportunities
3. Discussion on benefits of the WMO Global Campus for the region. Identification of collaboration opportunities for RA-I RTCs and collaborating partners and modalities for collaboration.
4. Breakout group discussions to develop proposals
5. Reports on proposal development
6. Selection of priorities for collaboration opportunities
7. Development of designs and implementation plans for collaborative opportunities. (Breakout Groups)

**Day 5 Formalizing Action Plans**

1. Continued development of designs and implementation plans for collaborative opportunities. (Breakout Groups)
2. Discussions on selected options for joint collaboration
3. Establishing working arrangements
4. Final conclusions and recommendations
5. Closure