



CDP-EC-Capacity Development through Resource Mobilisation, Partnerships, and Development Assistance

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Overview
of CDP-5
session
discussion
points

Review of CDP TORs/activities,
and outputs to date

Proposed activities to Congress
2023

Main challenges, and mitigation
(workshop discussion)

Recommendations for EC-75
(workshop discussion)


1. CDP-EC-RMPDA – Activity overview

- ✓ ET meetings: Oct 2020, Jan 2021
- ✓ Online updates/requests for feedback by Facilitator
- ✓ Various meets and feedback from WMO
- ✓ Note: Very much a *starting point* to be added to from further discussion/feedback with WMO and relevant WMO meets, and as the CDP evolves and remit is refined (see challenges, later)

1. CDP-EC-RMPDA – TORs

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1. CDP-EC-RMPDA – Drivers for proposed outputs

The focus of current and future activities under the ET are focused on linking in with TORs and making sure any activities:

- ✓ Add value to the work of WMO – with a focus on providing feedback/guidance as opposed to practical implementation of specific capacity development activities (much of which is being done elsewhere across WMO, and by Members)
- ✓ Assist with the effective coordination of capacity development across WMO, which is believed to be central to the TORs of the wider Panel
- ✓ In line with b), feed into work on the revised Capacity Development Strategy
- ✓ Complement, rather than duplicate, any other work in the CDP-ETs and across WMO
- ✓ Recognises the busy schedules of all team members and contributors to the ET, so ensuring that we are prioritising those activities that will add most value as above
- ✓ Consider feedback from relevant WMO bodies, including from Congress and EC meets, to drive outputs

1. Update on ET-RMPDA Activities and Outputs

i) Assessment of key development needs/gaps in each Region (including consideration of significant upcoming initiatives under the Technical Commissions and Research Board which may require capacity development support) to feed into the revised Capacity Development Strategy

➤ **Note: Original activities/outputs based on ET discussion and TORs + later EC requests**

- This links with the EC72 feedback: *“To identify opportunities and complementarity between all WMO initiatives to strengthen capacity of developing Members when reviewing the WMO Capacity Development Strategy”*
- It was proposed that this would not be looking in absolute detail, but reviewing what are the KEY needs and assessing if these are being tackled effectively – and, if not, how/where might this be done across WMO and Members
- UPDATE: Was requested that this was to be taken into consideration for the development of the CDS and associated meetings were held with facilitator, including June '22. Integration was dependent on decisions around purpose and audience for CDS which is now more orientated towards a 'framework' for CD to coordinate approach to CD across WMO, as opposed to identifying key outputs around WMO LTGs esp LTG4 (latter should be covered by WMO SP/OP)
- SUGGESTION: CDP-6 consider workshop to help look at (and integrate feedback from ETs) to help shape 'focus areas' and 'outputs' for WMO SP/OP 2014-17?

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ii) Review of current data collection platforms and methodologies and providing recommendations on how best to manage/streamline

- In initial ET-RMPDA discussions it was recognised that there are already numerous data sources available/methodologies for collection of data within WMO, and the potential need for these to be rationalised
- However, with the development of the new Country Hydromet Diagnostics (CHD) tool - and which links to some of the existing collection platforms e.g. Climate Services Checklist - it was decided to adjust this activity to assist with the peer review of the CHD
- UPDATE: The facilitator was in contact with those leading on the CHD, and peer review input arranged (Prof. Cudennec and Prof. Karnawati)

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iii) Review of/guidance on, initiatives (as discussed at EC72) and feedback to EC e.g. Country Hydromet Diagnostics tool, SOFF, others TBD in discussion with relevant WMO departments/programmes

- Discussion during CDP-2 in February 2021 emphasised the benefit of input from the CDP in major development initiatives, including SOFF.
- UPDATE: Following this meeting the facilitator discussed with WMO regarding ET-RMPDA being involved in peer review of SOFF but was decided at this time – and as SOFF development was mature – that input was not applicable at this stage. Instead it was agreed that the ET-RMPDA could best provide feedback into the CHD peer review, as per previous output ii)
- Discussed later in terms of ‘Challenges’ - how can we ensure the CDP is aware of/supporting some of these significant initiatives e.g Early Warnings For All?

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iv) Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72

- In Decides 11 (EC-72), EC decided *“To base the decision on scope and scale of future development projects implemented by the WMO Secretariat on a strategy that needs to be informed by an independent evaluation of relevance, effectiveness, efficiency and fiduciary risks of the current approach.”* And the CDP to: *“To support the independent evaluation of the WMO Secretariat implemented projects”*.
- UPDATE: The Facilitator has fed into the initial scoping and design of the recruitment exercise for this consultant, and scoring applications. Further guidance/input will be provided once recruited and work started.
- It is anticipated, as part of this work, the consultant may include a review of materials/outputs related to the meeting mentioned in v) (March '21 re twinning arrangements and modes of bilateral cooperation) as an introduction to the portfolio, how it is being implemented, and the perspectives of key stakeholders.
- It has also been discussed with MSD/Projects Office with regards to this consultant feeding into activity vii): *“...to conduct an assessment of and clarify the rules and responsibilities of, the different actors as well as the different funding mechanisms involved in WMO Capacity Development activities”* as there are potential synergies between the two activities.

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v) Input into guidance/recommendations on the facilitation of twinning arrangements and other innovative modes of bilateral cooperation, and best practise for taking forward.

- Input was made into the meeting “*Strengthening collaboration among NMHSs and WMO Centers for effective support to Members through extra-budgetary projects*” facilitated by WMO 10th-12th March 2021.
- UPDATE: There was a significant amount of useful feedback gathered from this meeting. It was further highlighted to WMO, and in discussion with the ET-TD, the importance of ensuring this valuable feedback could be further shared with and taken on board to be used practically, particularly by those technical departments involved in projects, and the TCs.
- Some of this feedback could also be helpful for the CDS development and review was encouraged by facilitator.
- SUGGESTION: We would also encourage review of output by other ET’s to check re links into current/future activities. E.g. the meeting gave feedback re leadership and management training which the ET-HRD/PIM has some activities linked to.
- Discussed later in terms of ‘Recommendations to EC’ as to how to utilise this data and insight further.

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vi.) Review and document recommendations on best practise in terms of working with development partners/ Government (to enhance knowledge sharing in this area).

- This links to feedback from EC-72 requesting the CDP to *“To develop appropriate guidelines supporting the implementation of the WMO initiatives to strengthen the capacity of developing country Members”*
- Professor Karnawati and her team in Indonesia worked hard to pull together questionnaires – both online and in-person – and conducted numerous interviews across the WMO Membership and Secretariat. This included LDCs, middle-income countries, and developed countries working in partnership with other NMHSs on capacity development activities.
- UPDATE: The analysis from this activity was presented at CDP-4 in Feb ‘22.
- Recommendation-6 from CDP-4: *“To include the findings of the survey conducted on resource mobilization into the Country Profile Data Base (CPDB) and Community Platform, and to share the presentation of the surveys’ results with the WMO Project Management Board”*
- It was also proposed at CDP-3/4 that some consideration of outputs from this activity may be useful for the CDS/WMO SP
- Discussed later in terms of ‘Recommendations to EC’ as to how to utilise this data and insight further.

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vii) As per tasks from Res 8.3/1(Cg-18), ensure that WMO activities that support capacity development, including the Country Support Initiative and VCP, as well as WMO-related CREWS activities, are complementary and take into consideration the unique national context of Members. Reviewing how these (and other similar) initiatives can fit together and complement/benefit each other.

- Initial discussions were held by Facilitator with those involved with CSI, CREWS, and we hoped to discuss further with VCP Members when they met (tbc)
- It was later noted that at EC73 there was an intervention (Doc 4.4): *“To conduct an assessment of, and clarify the rules and responsibilities of, the different actors as well as the different funding mechanisms involved in WMO Capacity Development activities”* (Decides 9) and we will look to incorporate this, in discussion with the Secretariat, in the work of the CDP and ET-RMPDA going forward.
- Discussions also held by Facilitator with the Swiss who originally proposed this intervention to ensure we understood the request. Various discussions were also held recently with WMO Projects Office/MSD re linking in the initial scoping for this action as part of the work of the consultant for action iv. *“Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72”*.
- Once this work has started then we can organise better how ET-RMPDA can support, and hopefully provide some outputs for EC in (Feb?) '23. It is also hoped that some input can be made from the VCP IPM pre Christmas.
- It is proposed that outputs from this could also feed into the CDS work (and/or vice-versa) Section 4? Links to coordination of CD activities across WMO...
- A request was put out for a team volunteer to assist with this key activity in Feb '22 but no response as of yet (and recognising challenge of resources – discussed later)
- Arguably this is key activity for ET between now and Congress and where we could add value?

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viii) Recommendation 10 EC73
Decision 9: Make recommendations and develop strategies to strengthen subregional, regional, inter-regional and other cooperation groups in order to establish synergies at inter-regional and sub-regional levels and to identify training and capacity-building opportunities

- It was agreed at CDP-4 in Feb '22 that WMO MSD would lead on this and draw in resource from ET-RMPDA and ET-HRDET as required at later date.
- SUGGESTION: An output to include on WMO Op Plan?

2. Work to Congress 2023

Proposed priorities:

- ✓ Activity vii. from Cg-18 then updated EC-73: *“To conduct an assessment of, and clarify the rules and responsibilities of, the different actors as well as the different funding mechanisms involved in WMO Capacity Development activities”*
- ✓ Activity iv. *“Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72”*
- ✓ NEW: Input into Resource Mobilisation Strategy (TOR: ‘...develop guidance for NMHSs on resource mobilization strategy’)?
- ✓ Input into CD Strategy
- ✓ Finalising RTC review

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Workshop: Challenges/ Questions

Key challenge: Making sure we are adding value to the work of WMO and not duplicating/focusing on less useful elements.

1. Question: How to best input/add value into significant and upcoming initiatives e.g. SOFF, 'Early Warning For All' initiatives?

E.g. presentation at CDP meets and discussion/review of input CDP could make? Could also do for RM strategy?

2. Question: Based on TORs, are there other significant areas to input into from your experience/knowledge? Or, due to resourcing, keep focus on that proposed by EC and the priorities mentioned?

3. Question: Are TORs still helpful/adding value? Should these be reviewed?

4. Question: Is there learning that could be shared from the experience of other new Panels?

In particular guidance on priority activities and adding value to work of WMO?

Reminder of CDP-EC-RMPDA – TORs...

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Workshop: Challenges/ Questions

Key challenge: resources to implement activities and as resources cross over between teams.

1. **Question:** What makes it most challenging to engage fully with Expert Team(s)?

E.g. Lack of time/overlaps with other teamwork/priorities/focus?

2. **Question:** How might we mitigate this challenge?

E.g. Consider more participants in ETs?

Manage expectations of work that can be undertaken by CDP teams?

Make sure we prioritise on 1 or 2 activities? On EC recommendations rather than very wide TORs?

Review ETs and merge?

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4. Workshop: EC recommendations?

- ❑ Dependent on deadline timings (EC Feb '23?) *may* have output from Activity vii: *“To conduct an assessment of, and clarify the rules and responsibilities of, the different actors as well as the different funding mechanisms involved in WMO Capacity Development activities”* and Activity iv. *“Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72”*
- ❑ Question: Any further recommendations to include from activity vi) *“Review and document recommendations on best practise in terms of working with development partners/Government”*? E.g. consider recommendation for focus on key recommendations from surveys and in outputs for WMO SP/OP where not already included in draft?
- ❑ Question: Should we encourage further use of outputs from March '21 meet re twinning/project cooperation e.g. recommend circulation across TC and those undertaking projects to provide areas for consideration? This could be done by utilising outputs in CDS so this is covered?