

Agenda and Workplan – CONECT-3

Third Meeting of the Consortium of WMO Education and Training Collaborating Partners

Thursday, 27 November 2025 (Day-1)

This meeting is part of the Joint CALMet XVI – CONECT-3 Conference. Registered participants attending the Joint Conference will find the link to attend this meeting online in the Conference website (See Day-4 and Day-5 of Conference Programme).

No	Agenda Item	Lead Facilitator	Presentation	Duration	Local Time in Florence	Time in UTC
1	Welcome and Opening Remarks <i>Formal opening of CONECT-3, featuring welcoming statements by the WMO Secretariat, the host institution, and the Chair.</i>	WMO representative (TBC); Host representative (TBC); Winifred Jordaan, Chair of CONECT	Opening Remarks	20'	10:30 - 10:50	09:30 - 09:50
2	CONECT Progress Report: Achievements and Lessons Learned <i>A presentation highlighting CONECT's key achievements and activities since the previous plenary, including progress on agreed actions and initiatives supporting WMO's education and training priorities.</i>	Winifred Jordaan, Chair of CONECT	Presentation and Discussions	30'	10:50 - 11:20	09:50 - 10:20
3	Insights from CALMet-XVI and Regional Discussions <i>A synthesis of outcomes and insights from the CALMet-XVI Conference and related regional dialogues.</i>	Heleen ter-Pelkewijk and Yuliana Purwanti, Co-Chairs of CALMet	Presentation and Discussions	40'	11:20 - 12:00	10:20 - 11:00
<i>Lunch Break</i>				120'	12:00 – 14:00	11:00 – 13:00
4	Strategic Updates from the WMO Secretariat <i>Updates from WMO Secretariat relevant to CONECT</i>	Mingmei Li, Director of WMO ETR Office	Presentation and Discussions	30'	14:00 – 14:30	13:00 – 13:30
5	Education & Training Marketplace: Collaboration Edition <i>A marketplace activity to highlight current and upcoming training initiatives and connect institutions that are seeking collaboration.</i>	Facilitated by WMO Secretariat	Interactive marketplace	45'	14:30 – 15:15	13:30 – 14:15
<i>Coffee Break</i>				30'	15:15 – 15:45	14:15 – 14:45
6	Harnessing Artificial Intelligence for the Future of Training and Capacity Development	Facilitated by WMO Secretariat	Round Table	75'	15:45 – 17:00	14:45 – 16:00
<i>Wrap-up Day-1</i>		Winifred Jordaan, Chair of CONECT		5'	17:00 – 17:05	16:00 – 16:05

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No	Agenda Item	Facilitator	Presentation	Duration	Local Time in Florence	Time in UTC
7	Engaging the Next Generation: Youth Outreach Strategies <i>Generating ideas and content to attract youth to meteorology, hydrology, climatology.</i>	Facilitated by CONECT-MG: Mick Pope, Solangela Cuevas, Stephen Kerr, and Vagner Anabor	Presentation and Discussions	60'	09:00 - 10:00	08:00 - 09:00
8	Empowering Women in Training and Capacity Development <i>Exploring challenges and solutions to increase women's inclusion in training programs.</i>	Facilitated by WMO Secretariat	Presentation and Discussions	45'	10:00 - 10:45	09:00 - 09:45
Coffee Break				30'	10:45 – 11:15	09:45 – 10:15
9	Expanding CONECT Membership and Strengthening Volunteer Engagement <i>Exploring ways to increase engagement of CONECT members.</i>	Facilitated by CONECT-MG: Eduard Podgaiskii and Winifred Jordaán	Presentation and Discussions	45'	11:15 - 12:00	10:15 - 11:00
Lunch Break				120'	12:00 – 14:00	11:00 – 13:00
10	Building Sustainability: Succession Planning for Training Institutions <i>A discussion of strategies for continuity and institutional knowledge transfer.</i>	Facilitated by CONECT-MG: Bernie Connell, Winifred Jordaán, and Arpita Mandal	Presentation and Discussions	90'	14:00 – 15:30	13:00 – 14:30
Coffee Break				30'	15:30 – 16:00	14:30 – 15:00
11	CONECT-3 Summary and Proposals for the Next Plenary	Winifred Jordaán, Chair of CONECT	Presentation and Discussions	30'	16:00 – 16:30	15:00 – 15:30
12	Closing Reflections and Any Other Business	Winifred Jordaán, Chair of CONECT	Closing remarks	30'	16:30-17:00	15:30-16:00