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

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Monitor and make recommendations on the following:

- Provide guidance and oversight regarding WMO efforts to strengthen assistance to the NMHSs of Developing and Least Developed Countries
- The facilitation of twinning arrangements and other innovative modes of bilateral cooperation
- Strategies to leverage initiatives in the UN system and other development partner initiatives
- Oversee and guide the implementation of the tasks of the Executive Council according to Resolution 8.3/1 (Cg-18). In particular, 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
- Strategies for identifying opportunities; how to best apply extra-budgetary resources to maximise impacts; develop guidance for NMHSs on resource mobilization strategy
- Approaches to develop, implement, monitor and evaluate projects
- Partnerships, promotion of multilateral and bi-lateral collaboration, Public-Private Engagement (PPE), interagency collaboration including WMO-IOC JCB

Areas reviewed:

(Green = EC recommendations)

- 1. Assessment of key development needs/gaps in each Region to feed into the revised Capacity Development Strategy
- 2. Review of current data collection platforms and methodologies and providing recommendations on how best to manage/streamline ______ Input into CHD
- 3. 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
- 4. Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72
- 5. Input into guidance/ recommendations on the facilitation of twinning arrangements and other innovative modes of bilateral cooperation, and best practise for taking forward.
- 6. Review and document recommendations on best practise in terms of working with development partners/ Government (to enhance knowledge sharing in this area).
- 7. 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.

"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).

- 8. Recommendation 10 EC73 Decision 9: Make recommendations and develop strategies to strengthen subregional, regional, interregional and other cooperation groups in order to establish synergies at inter-regional and sub-regional levels and to identify training and capacity-building opportunities
- 9. Other activities: Input into CDS; RTC reviews

Recommendations to EC76

- (SG) Note the feedback received, and recommendations of, the "Survey of Resource Mobilization, Partnerships and Development Assistance (RMPDA)" focused on best practise in terms of working with development partners/Government and resource mobilization. These findings include (further detail in report): Focus on enhancing visibility amongst Government and partners; Enhanced capacity development/skills development in resource mobilization and proposal development, including linking with development partner priorities and ensuring clear communication with stakeholders on proposed activities; support with skills development for strategic planning and linking with national priorities; sustainability planning. It is proposed that the findings from the report should be considered for the WMO Operating Plan and proposed activities;
- (SG) Encourage Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) between WMO Education and Training (ETR) and Members (possessing one or more RTC components) to enhance resource mobilization and support to potential trainees of NMHSs from Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDSs);
- (SG and TCs) Note the recommendations from the meeting "Strengthening collaboration among NMHSs and WMO Centres for
 effective support to Members through extrabudgetary projects" (10–12 March 2021). The feedback from Members regarding
 considerations around implementation of projects is highlighted as particularly important.

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Proposed priorities:

- 1. Ongoing support to activity iv) "Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72" in cooperation with WMO Secretariat
- 2. Agreement of approach and timeline for activity vii) requested by EC73 *"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"*
- 3. Ongoing input into the Capacity Development Strategy (CDS)
- 4. Potential input into Resource Mobilisation Strategy currently being developed by WMO Secretariat
- 5. Finalising Regional Training Centre review contribution

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1. Ongoing support to activity "Support of the independent evaluation of WMO projects as requested by EC-72" in cooperation with WMO Secretariat

- 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".
- The Facilitator has fed into the initial scoping and design of the recruitment exercise for this consultant, and scoring applications.
- It is anticipated, as part of this work, the consultant may include a review of materials/outputs related to the meeting - mentioned re 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: "...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. Input tbc.
- The recruitment is currently paused but hopes to move forward shortly.

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2. Agreement of approach and timeline for activity requested by EC73: "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"

- Original task 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.
- 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).
- Initial discussions were held by Facilitator with those involved with CSI, CREWS. More recent discussion VCP meet March 2023 (Facilitator Chair).
- Discussions also held by Facilitator with the Swiss who originally proposed this intervention to ensure we understood the request. As well as WMO.
- One of only two actions for CDP requested directly by Executive Council Decides 9 (as opposed to activities recommended by the CDP to EC based on Terms of Reference).
- A request was put out for a team volunteer to assist with this key activity in Feb '22 but resource challenges prevented input.
- 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"*. The how much this consultant can contribute beyond current scope.
- Was discussed at VCP IPM (March 2023) Member countries reiterated that this was <u>critical</u> and to understand how CD 'actors' and activities map together/roles/complementarity.
- Agreed outputs could be valuable for CDS (Swiss may suggest at Congress?) but timescales unlikely to match.
- Arguably this is a key activity/focus for CDP post Congress where CDP could add value. Discussion 7.1?

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3. Ongoing input into the Capacity Development Strategy (CDS) – Extensive input made outside of meetings. Also case study input.

4. Potential input into Resource Mobilisation Strategy currently being developed by WMO Secretariat:

✓ Was discussed with previous RM Director – awaiting arrival of new RM Director

5. Finalising Regional Training Centre review contribution:

- ✓ Italy review completed
- ✓ Consideration of input into future RTC reviews in 2023

Thankyou! Questions....