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CONNECT 2023

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Abstract

In April 2023, over 120 individuals from meteorological agencies and universities of 46 member countries of WMO attended the first hybrid meeting (95 participants online and 26 in Geneva) of CONECT, the Consortium of WMO Education and Training Collaborating Partners. CONECT will complement the work of the WMO Executive Council Capacity Development Panel, by being a formal mechanism to achieve the goals of the WMO Global Campus Initiative.

The Consortium aims assisting building critical mass of support for ensuring technically sound, coherent, consistent and timely input of stakeholders towards the provision of desirable strategic direction for education and training activities; being a viable ground for minimization of duplication, to complement efforts,

maximize impacts, and enhancing cost-effective use of resources. Sharing ideas and solutions to challenges in education and training will be at the heart of all CONECT activities.

The Management Group of CONECT was selected during the first meeting in April, with representation across the six WMO regional associations.

Working Groups were also established to define the scope of CONECT's activities.



Goals of CONECT – WMO 17-19 April

- Support the Global Campus initiative – produce and maintain the catalogue of training materials in meteorology
- Increasing communications among member to enhance cooperation
- Identify training resources that can be shared, contextualised, translated, etc, in other words we need good meta data!!
- Reduce duplication, enhance cost effectiveness
- Share ideas & viable solutions to challenges in education & training
- Do you have training resources that are not in the global campus, or would you be interested in global cooperation to fill the gaps?



CONNECT – Outcomes

What happened?

- Term of Reference established
- Recommendations include: promote global campus – share existing resources, promote cooperation in development of new resources ☀️
- Working groups identified
- Management group elected

What next?

- Two MG meetings and one plenary per year – Beijing in Oct of 2024
- Establish working groups, communication channels, this is ongoing
- Is your organization not represented but wants to be?





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Thank you

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