



CDP-ET-GO



Expert Team on Guidance and
Oversight of Capacity Development
Matters

Members and Meetings

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- Ms Jennifer Milton
- Prof. Peter Odjugo
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- Dr. YU Yubin
- Dr. Carla Gulizia

(Support also from
Chair and Secretariat)

- ✓ **Oct:** Coordination meeting with Secretariat and Chair/Co-Chair
- ✓ **Nov:** Initial ET-GO meet
- ✓ **Jan:** Second ET-GO meet

TOR – Reminder

Provide guidance and oversight regarding WMO efforts to strengthen assistance to the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of developing countries. This may include, inter alia, a focus on peer review by the Panel of significant capacity development activities across WMO, including activities of programmes and initiatives such as CREWs, SOFF, twinning arrangements and all WMO strategic initiatives;

Assist actors in coordinating capacity development activities across WMO and make recommendations to strengthen the connections between the various actors helping to avoid duplication of efforts. This may include reviewing synergies, gaps, and related funding mechanisms for capacity development activities;

Provide guidance on identifying capacity development needs and on strengthening subregional, regional, inter-regional and other cooperation groups to establish synergies at inter-regional, subregional, and national levels, as well as to recommend activities to address gaps in capacity, and to identify capacity development opportunities;

TOR – Reminder

Foster the engagement of academic and NMHS staff at the national, subregional, and regional levels, regarding research, the transfer of research to operations, and the application of research to improve operational delivery;

Consider the work of the technical commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Executive Council as it pertains to capacity development.

Initial approach to development of Activity Plan



As TORs are more refined than last period – but still generic to some extent – we focussed on reviewing where as an ET we could add most value



Initially (November) we reviewed the requests from previous WMO meetings on the CDP ‘Requests&Actions’ Tracker, mapped these to the TORs, and noted which to follow-up with WMO Secretariat



We also agreed/were reminded of what requests may be covered by CDP as a whole



Then we focussed in January on area of coordination and TOR “*Assist actors in coordinating capacity development activities across WMO and make recommendations to strengthen the connections between the various actors helping to avoid duplication of efforts*”

Requests followed up since November:

- ✓ Linked with TOR: *“Provide guidance and oversight regarding WMO efforts to strengthen assistance to the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of developing countries....”*
- ✓ **Business Continuity:** Several requests previously to CDP including development of training materials (EC78/2024)
- ✓ Jennifer followed up with Secretariat
- ✓ Secretariat: In short, TT has been set up to look into the development of training for BCM and they will seek the CDP's guidance regarding this training. Draft training would be developed by end of 2025 and focussed on a global and regional perspective.

Requests followed up since November:

- ✓ Linked with TOR: *“Provide guidance and oversight regarding WMO efforts to strengthen assistance to the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of developing countries....”*
- ✓ **Aviation/IWVA review (EC78/2024):** *“To review the recommendations and statement of IWVA-8 and consider their implication on and, as necessary, integration into respective work plans and priorities”*
- ✓ Karen followed up with Secretariat
- ✓ Secretariat: noted that as the CDP has a more peer review function, no specific follow-up action or work plan integration is required by the Panel and its subsidiary bodies. This outcome should be included the report of EC-CDP-10

Requests followed up since November:

- ✓ Linked with TOR: *“Provide guidance and oversight regarding WMO efforts to strengthen assistance to the National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs) of developing countries....”*
- ✓ It was discussed that **EWFALL** would be added to CDP meets as a standing item as per Res 1 EC77; but that **there may be actions fall out of those discussions which ET-GO would pick up in due course.**
- ✓ It was also discussed that the actions related to **WCDF** e.g. promotion/monitoring uptake would be covered by CDP as a whole (Decision 2 EC77 and Res 36, Cg19)

Requests followed up since November:

- ✓ Linked with TOR: *“Foster the engagement of academic and NMHS staff at the national, subregional, and regional levels, regarding research, the transfer of research to operations, and the application of research to improve operational delivery”*
- ✓ Links with (Cg19/2023) **SAP Recommendation #2 on “bridging the gap between global science capabilities and local impact** to be further developed by the Capacity Development Panel in partnership with the RB, SERCOM, INFCOM, Regional Associations and other relevant bodies...”

Requests followed up since November:

SAP Recommendation #2 continued...

- ✓ The discussions during CDP-9 (2024) on how to assist the existing efforts led the Panel to recall the success stories from activities of the Panel in the past term (2020-2023), particularly activities assisted by the [Expert Team on Capacity Development through Technical Departments](#).
- ✓ The Expert Team facilitator, Dr Carla Gulizia, being a Member of Regional Association III, attended Regional coordination meetings bringing information gathered from technical commissions and departments, assisting the Regional office in the transfer of information and connecting collaborators from operational and academic settings.
- ✓ This was a valuable example of assisting to bridge the gap between science development and local application.
- ✓ **Action** for EC-CDP ET-GO: to further discuss how the EC-CDP can contribute to Cg-19 Resolution 35 - SAP Recommendation #2, specifically in closing the gap between global scientific capabilities and local impact. ET-GO members will explore the possibility of **identifying Regional Champions** to support this effort.

ET-GO: ‘Coordination’ Focus

- The main part of the discussion in January was on TOR “*Assist actors in coordinating capacity development activities across WMO and make recommendations to strengthen the connections between the various actors helping to avoid duplication of efforts. This may include reviewing synergies, gaps, and related funding mechanisms for capacity development activities;...*”
- It was recognised that this also links with TOR “*Consider the work of the technical commissions and other subsidiary bodies of the Executive Council as it pertains to capacity development*”
-and earlier 2020 EC72: “*To identify opportunities and complementarity between all WMO initiatives to strengthen capacity of developing Members when reviewing the WMO Capacity Development Strategy*”
-as well as request 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*”

Common Theme = Request for **enhanced coordination of activities across WMO**

Question: How can the ET-GO activities best add value....?

ET-GO: 'Coordination' Focus

➤ *Some of the discussion was around:*

- **Scope of ET work? JUST WMO bodies** e.g. across Secretariat, Commissions, (Regions/Reg. Offices?), Research Board, RTCs, etc, rather than wider e.g. WMO Members, Development Partners...We agreed former may be best for now though may touch upon work Members were also doing.
- **Scope of ET work? Start just with mapping training** across different bodies and plans to see what is being done/potential duplications/synergies and efficiencies.
- **Future? If works then can expand to other CD activity areas** (outside training) and wider than WMO bodies...

ET-GO: 'Coordination' Focus

We noted some of the following:

- How can we encourage better coordination between e.g. INFCOM and RTC work, WIGOS centres e.g. expertise in training matching with expertise in topics...
- To consider innovation and sustainability of training with regards to coordinating across different parts of WMO...
- Also to consider links and coordination with RCCs and other WMO Centres. Also Members involved in training development? (ETR already doing some mapping work here which could be built on)...
- Ultimately ET could help with some high level mapping and identifying gaps/duplication/potential opportunities for synergies...
- ET could help raise any areas of need for coordination/action and advise...
- **Action** taken to develop **short concept note** around this work and circulate around ET to initiate work pre next CDP meet in September (KM)

Previous Request during last CDP period:

“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 previous CDP-ET-RMDPA fed into the initial scoping and design of the recruitment exercise for this consultant, and scoring applications.
- Consultant has now been recruited and interviews started – and ET-GO will input into interviews (Karen) and feed back to group for further input as required (if you would also wish to input please let me know...)



QUESTIONS?