

The UN Development System and WMO

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"coherent and integrated support to implementation of the new Agenda by the United Nations development system"

Repositioning of the United Nations development system (A/RES/72/279)



- Re-positioning agreed through the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review (QCPR)
- The re-positioning brought many changes including:
 - Resident Coordinator (RC) System
 - Development Coordination Office (DCO)
 - Associated regional structures of the RC System
 - Cooperation Framework and Common Country Analysis

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Resident Coordinators (RCs) and the Resident Coordinator System

- RCs are the most senior UN official at the country level – report to UNSG.
- RCs are responsible for country-level integration across the UN system. They lead UN Country Teams to implement the 2030 Agenda.
- RC System comprises of 130 Resident Coordinators and 132 RC Offices covering 162 countries and territories.
- WMO is mostly a UN agency ‘without country presence’ and so is usually not directly represented in UN Country Teams.

Development Coordination Office (DCO) is the Secretariat of the UNSDG and provides technical and advisory support to the UN Development System in the implementation of the QCPR.

UN Sustainable Development Group / Resident Coordinator System



UNSDG Members: DPPA, FAO, IFAD, ILO, IOM, ITC, ITU, OCHA, OHCHR, UN DESA, UN ECA, UN ECLAC, UN ESCAP, UN ESCWA, UN PBSO, UN Women, UN-Habitat, UNAIDS, UNCDF, UNCTAD, UNDP, UNDRR, UNECE, UNEP, UNESCO, UNFPA, UNHCR, UNICEF, UNIDO, UNODC, UNOPS, UNRWA, UNV, WFP, WHO, WMO

Development Coordination Office (DCO)

Secretariat to UNSDG, designed to improve coordination of the UNSDG entities



Regional DCO Offices and Regional Collaborative Platforms (RCP)

There are 5 RCPs, which unite all UN entities working on development - Africa, Arab States, Asia Pacific, Europe Central Asia, & Latin America and Caribbean. Within these regions, Issue-based Coalitions (IBCs) act as regional task forces coordinating UN response to cross cutting challenges



Resident Coordinators and the UN Country Teams

Resident Coordinators are the most senior UN Country Level representatives responsible for country level integration across the UN system

Global

Regional

National

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Cooperation Framework

- Country level agreement between the United Nations system and the host country. Covers 3-5 years.
- *" the most important instrument for planning and implementation of the UN development activities at country level in support of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda "*
- Since 2018, WMO has signed 11 (Bahrain, Ethiopia, Djibouti, Mexico, Kenya, Nigeria, Costa Rica, Sao Tome & Principe, Zambia, Pacific Islands (Multi-Country Team), Mozambique.
- Priorities are co-designed with the host country.
- Blueprint to align stakeholders. Can drive finance.

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Common Country Analysis

- Country level analysis done by the UN, in consultation with the host country agreement, on progress, gaps, opportunities and bottlenecks regarding a country's commitment to achieving the 2030 Agenda. Updated annually.

WMO Entry Points

- WMO PR relationship with the Resident Coordinator
- WMO PR relationship with lead government officials handling CCA and CF
- WMO SG participation in UNSDG
- WMO Secretariat relationship with DCO
- WMO Regional Offices relationship with Regional RC System structures

WMO entry points to CCA and CFs



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Thank you for your attention

Let's discuss



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Decision 4 EC-78

Invites Members:

(1) With the support of the Secretariat, to highlight how their NMHS supports the delivery of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goals in their country, and to pursue efforts for this contribution to be reflected in the Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) of their countries, which are submitted to the Regional Forums for Sustainable Development and subsequently to the United Nations High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF);

(2) With the support of the Secretariat, to identify and connect with the United Nations Resident Coordinator in their country, if one exists, to build relations between NMHSs and the United Nations Development System at the country level, and to pursue efforts within their country to participate in government consultations of the Common Country Analysis (CCA) and government co-design of the UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (CF), as described in EC-78/INF. 5.1(1a);

Requests the Secretary-General:

(1) To develop training materials for NMHSs on WMO cooperation with the United Nations system, and NMHS contributions to major UN agendas and processes, including the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Paris Agreement and the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, at the global, regional and national level, and to organize regular training sessions for Members, including at the PR Induction sessions and leadership training courses, ensuring the equal participation of women delegates, to help NMHSs position themselves in the global agendas of the United Nations, noting the challenges some NMHSs face in navigating their national government structures, and clarifying the respective roles of the Secretariat and the technical commissions with regards to these processes;

(2) To enhance coordination across the Secretariat and with other relevant United Nations agencies, to continue to raise the political visibility of the support WMO and NMHSs provide to UN agendas of relevance to WMO, including but not limited to, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Paris Agreement, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2022-2021, the outcomes of the United Nations conferences on Small Island Developing States (SIDS4), held 27-30 May 2024 in Antigua and Barbuda, and on Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDC3), and other key United Nations conferences and events, including the 2024 Summit of the Future, the 2025 UN Ocean Conference and the 2026 UN Water Conference to Accelerate the Implementation of SDG 6, and to provide regular updates to Members on these activities;

(3) To continue to work with the United Nations Development Coordination Office (DCO) to further strengthen the working methods between WMO and the United Nations Development System, and promote cooperation between NMHSs and Resident Coordinators, particularly in Least Developed Countries (LDCs), Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS);