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Subject: CAP “Train the Trainers” Session and the 2019 Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) Implementation Workshop, Mexico City, Mexico, 16-18 October 2019

Action required: Members to consider participating at the Workshop

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, the WMO Executive Council (EC) endorsed the Common Alerting Protocol (CAP) standard to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of alerting systems, and consequently encouraged WMO Members to adopt the CAP standard.

In this regard, I am pleased to inform you that the next annual CAP Training and Implementation Workshop will be held at the Justice Superior Court of Mexico City from 17 to 18 October 2019. This event is intended for information sharing among experts involved in developing the CAP standard as well as implementers of this standard. WMO is one of the five co-sponsors and co-organizers of the Workshop. Other co-sponsor organizations are the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM), the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), and the Organization for the Advancement of Structured Information Standards (OASIS).

CAP is an important component of *the WMO Alert Hub*, which supports the WMO Global Multi-hazard Alert System (GMAS). It may be noted that many WMO Members have implemented the CAP standard and we encourage other Members to adopt the standard to disseminate warnings.

The Workshop will provide a forum for implementers of CAP and associated organizations to discuss how best to expand adoption of the CAP standard and to share practices among users of the standard.

The Call for Participation which contains information on the organization of the workshop can be accessed at:
<https://www.preparecenter.org/resources/cap-workshop-2019-call-participation>

Details and documentation concerning the 2019 CAP Implementation Workshop will be posted at the following website:
<https://www.preparecenter.org/activities/common-alerting-protocol-workshop-2019>

The CAP Implementation Workshop will be preceded by a CAP “Train the Trainers” session on 16 October 2019.

To: Permanent Representatives (or Directors of Meteorological or Hydrometeorological Services) of Members of WMO

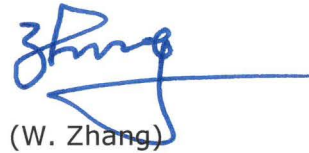
cc: Hydrological Advisers to Permanent Representatives

It should be noted that both the documentation and presentations for these events will be in English only. Participants wishing to make a presentation at the Workshop should contact the Program Committee by sending an email to Mr Eliot Christian (eliot.j.christian@gmail.com), who will coordinate with the Public Weather Service Delivery (PWSD) Programme of WMO.

While we encourage the participation of Members, especially those who have already implemented CAP to attend, it should be noted that WMO has no funding provision for this Workshop.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support in promoting the Programmes and activities of WMO.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'W. Zhang', with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the signature.

(W. Zhang)
for the Secretary-General