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Annexes: 4 (available in English only)

Subject: IPA 2012 “Building Resilience to Disasters in Western Balkans and Turkey”
Invitation to Training in LRF, MedCOF-1 and SEECOF-10

Action required: To nominate two experts to the training and the session(s) by **6 November 2013**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have the pleasure to inform you that, as part of the IPA Project “Building Resilience to Disasters in Western Balkans and Turkey”, a Training on Long-Range Forecasts (LRF Training) will be organized from 13 to 16 November 2013 in Belgrade, Serbia, kindly hosted by the Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Serbia (RHMS). The Training is intended for those climate experts from the IPA beneficiaries who participate in the preparation of LRF through the regional cooperative mechanism of the South-East European Climate Outlook Forum (SEECOF). The participants in the training will have the possibility to participate in two related events, as follows:

- First Session of the newly established Mediterranean Climate Outlook Forum (MedCOF-1), 18 and 19 November 2013; and
- SEECOF-10, 20 and 21 November 2013.

The LRF training and the two COF sessions are logically connected and it is advisable that the experts nominated by you will attend all three events. The provisional agenda of the events and an Information Note on local arrangements are provided in the attachments. Further information will be made available on the website of the South-East European Virtual Climate Change Centre (SEEVCCC): <http://www.seevccc.rs>.

Kindly note that the WMO Secretariat will be able to cover the participation related costs of two experts per country through the IPA Project funded by the European Commission DG Enlargement. The financial support will include per diem and air ticket (the most economic direct round-trip). In case of traveling by car, participants will have to inform WMO in advance in order to get the reimbursement according to the established rules.

To: IPA Project National Coordinators of: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, Kosovo (under UNSCR 1244/99), the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, and Turkey (IPA Project Countries)

You are invited to nominate two experts to participate in the above events. It is desirable that one of the experts should be representative of the users of seasonal forecasts in your country. The Nomination Form, to be returned **not later than 6 November 2013**, is attached.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert O. Masters". The signature is stylized and cursive.

(Robert O. Masters)
Director

Development and Regional Activities

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MedCOF-1, Training on LRF, SEECOF-10

(BELGRADE, SERBIA, 13-21 NOVEMBER 2013)

PARTICIPANT NOMINATION FORM

The Government of nominates the following expert as a participant for the above-captioned meetings:

1. Title: (a) Prof. (b) Dr (c) Mr (d) Mrs (e) Ms _____
2. Name: _____
3. Sex: (a) Male (b) Female _____
4. Position : _____
5. Full Address: _____
- Tel No.: (office) _____ Fax No.: _____
- E-mail: _____

6. Please complete if financial assistance is required from WMO:

Participation in: LRF Training (13-16 November)

MedCOF-1 (18-19 November)

SEECOF-10 (20-21 November)

Support required: YES NO

(i) Travel:

(ii) DSA:

Date:

(Signature of Permanent Representative)

This Form is to be completed and returned via facsimile to the WMO Secretariat at: +41 22 730 80 47, with a scanned copy to Mrs Natalia Berghi (NBerghi@wmo.int, **as soon as possible, but preferably not later than 6 November 2013.**