

Terms of Reference of the Subgroup on Regional Aspects of Public Weather Services (PWS) approved by the RA VI session in Heidelberg, September 2005:

1. Develop documentation and advice on the regional aspects of the PWS Programme and its implementation, containing information:
 - On liaison between NMHSs and the media and others involved in the dissemination of public weather forecasts and warnings
 - On Collaboration between NMHSs and disaster authorities
2. Keep abreast of and evaluate technical and scientific developments related to the formulation, presentation and dissemination techniques and make recommendations on a regional scale
3. Review the status of the implementation of the pilot project of cross-border exchange and consider future developments in this area
4. Continue activities in education and training to the PWS Programme
5. Develop guidance material on, and prepare common procedures for, verification of public forecasts and warning
6. Elaborate proposals for demonstrating the benefits of PWS and heightening the visibility of NMHSs
7. Advise and report to the co-ordinator of the working group and the association on all matters concerning the public weather service in the Region
8. Represent the Region at sessions of the relevant CBS Implementation Coordination Teams on PWS through participation of its coordinator

