

BRIEFING ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HIGH-LEVEL TASKFORCE

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The Objective of the Global Framework for Climate Services?

The WCC-3 decided to establish a Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS) because it recognised the need to improve the quality of climate services and make the improved services accessible to all, especially to those who are most vulnerable to adverse impacts of climate variability and climate change and who currently have least access to climate services, the communities of the developing world.



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http://www.wmo.int/hlt-gfcs/index_en.html

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The Workplan of the Taskforce

Two essential elements:

- (1) Information gathering through consultation with governments, climate service users and providers, climate scientists, and the managers of operational observing and information systems supporting climate services; and,
- (2) Preparation of a report addressing the Taskforce's terms of reference, including, among other things, options for implementing the GFCS, how it might be governed and the cost of doing this. This report to be considered by your 16th Congress next year and by the UN Secretary-General for appropriate follow-up.

Consultative Meetings held and planned

•	Nairobi, Kenya	12–16 April	African Ministerial
•	Bali, Indonesia	30 April/6May	WMO RA V
•	Geneva, Switzerland	18 May	UN Interagency meeting
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 Geneva, Switzerland 25 May 	Club Diplomatic
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Geneva, Switzerland 2 June	Geneva missions briefing
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•	Oslo, Norway	8-12 June	IPY Conference
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•	Geneva, Switzerland	9 June	WMO Exec Council
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Beijing, China	17-18 June	Consultation
Delhi, India	21 June	Consultation

•	Mexico City, Mexico		5-7 July	CODIA
•	Belo Horizonte, Brazil	1	4 July	CAgM

•	Bogata, Columbia	22-29 Sept	WMO RA III
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•	Marrakech, Morocco	28 Oct/4 Nov	RAI
•	Windhoek, Namibia	15-21 Nov	CBS (Ext)

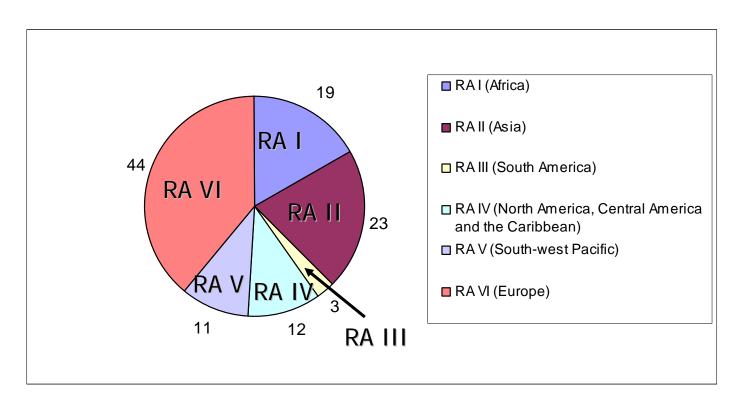
•	Cayman Is, Caribbean	9-10 Nov	Heads of NMSs

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Cancun, Mexico	29 Nov/10 Dec	COPIC



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Q3: Responses by region?

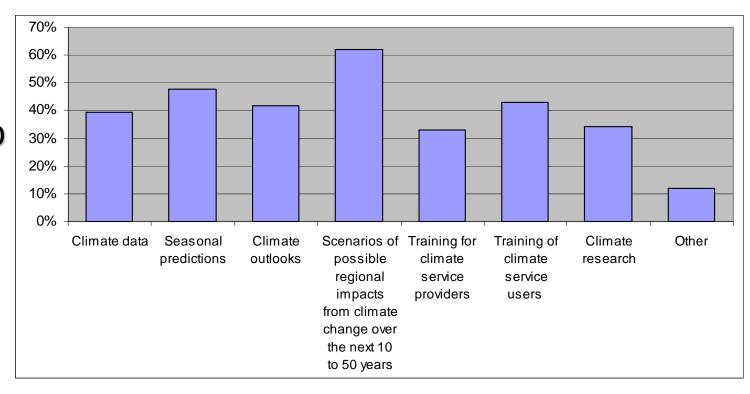




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Q7: Which climate services do you need but are currently unable to obtain?

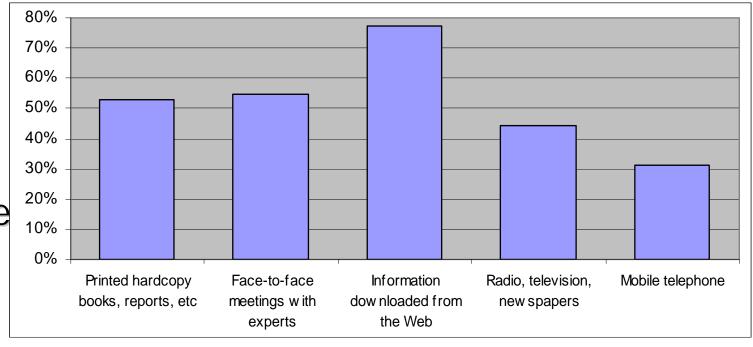




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Q11: Using which media do you want your climate services delivered?

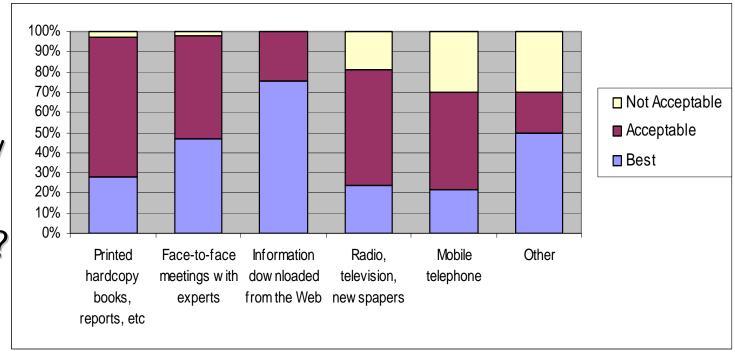




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Q12: Which media are acceptable / not acceptable?





HLT Meeting Dates/Places

Reports on the web:

HLT-1

25 and 26 February / Geneva

• HLT-2

24 and 25 May / Geneva

Meetings yet to be held:

• HLT-3

2, 3 and 4 August / Beijing

• HLT-4

25, 26 and 27 October / Bonn

• HLT-5

13, 14 and 15 December / Geneva



Report Structure

- Part I: What climate services are available from all sources around the world that are proving to be useful – The Supply side
- Part II: What is likely to be required in short, medium and long-term – The Demand side
- Part III: Options for bridging gaps and implementing mechanisms to meet current and future climate services requirements with an emphasis on not duplicating what is now available - The implementation strategy.

Key dates for Report

Finish Part I Thursday 20 May

Finish Part II Wednesday, 28 July

Finish Part III

Friday, 24 September then to HLT members for review by 8 October Secretariat to revise by 15 October and back to the HLT for 11 days before HLT-4

 Completed, ready for publication January 12, 2011



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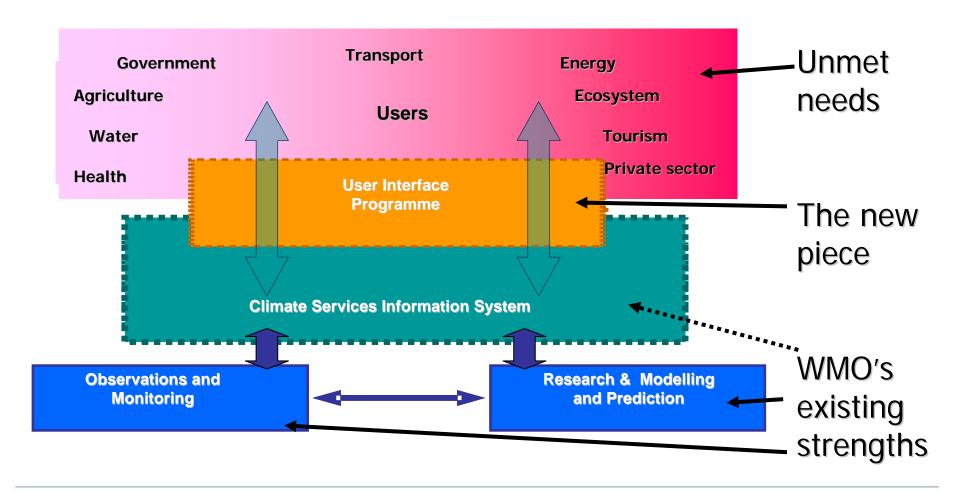
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Denmark	16,565
France	33,130
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Japan	218,778
Pakistan	367
Russian Federation	32,227
Switzerland	563,819
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Sitting Fees / Honoraria	148,000	Writers	180,000
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		Print and publish	30,000
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		Travel (HLT meets)	300,000
TOTAL	993,775	TOTAL	872,500

Contributions to the HLT Trust Fund and expenses and commitments to 26 May 2010, and an estimate of expenses to completion of the HLT's Report.



GFCS What is it?





What must the WMO do?

- Play a key role in translating the report of the Taskforce into a sustainable, operational system;
- Develop new, and strengthen existing partnerships across the UN system to ensure key user groups can gain access to climate services;
- Focus existing efforts in observations, research and information systems to support GFCS;
- Promote and support capacity building that contributes to the GFCS; and,
- Take a leadership role in the implementation of those elements of the GFCS which the UN system agrees are the WMO's responsibility—by making it your top priority and supporting that priority with resources.



Thank you for listening