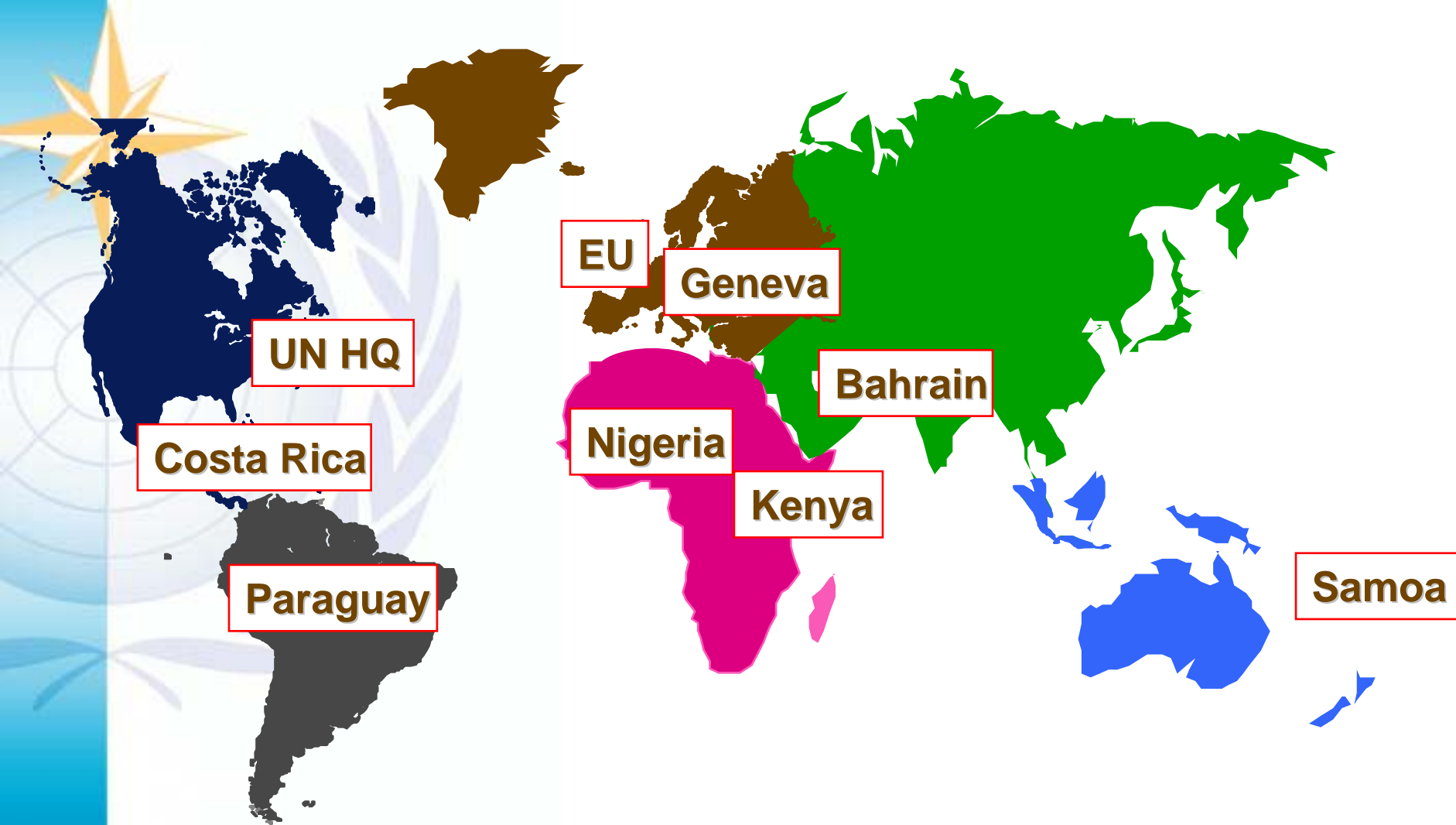


Agenda item 8.3

**Role and Operation of
WMO Offices in the Regions**



WMO REGIONAL OFFICES



WMO Offices in the Regions

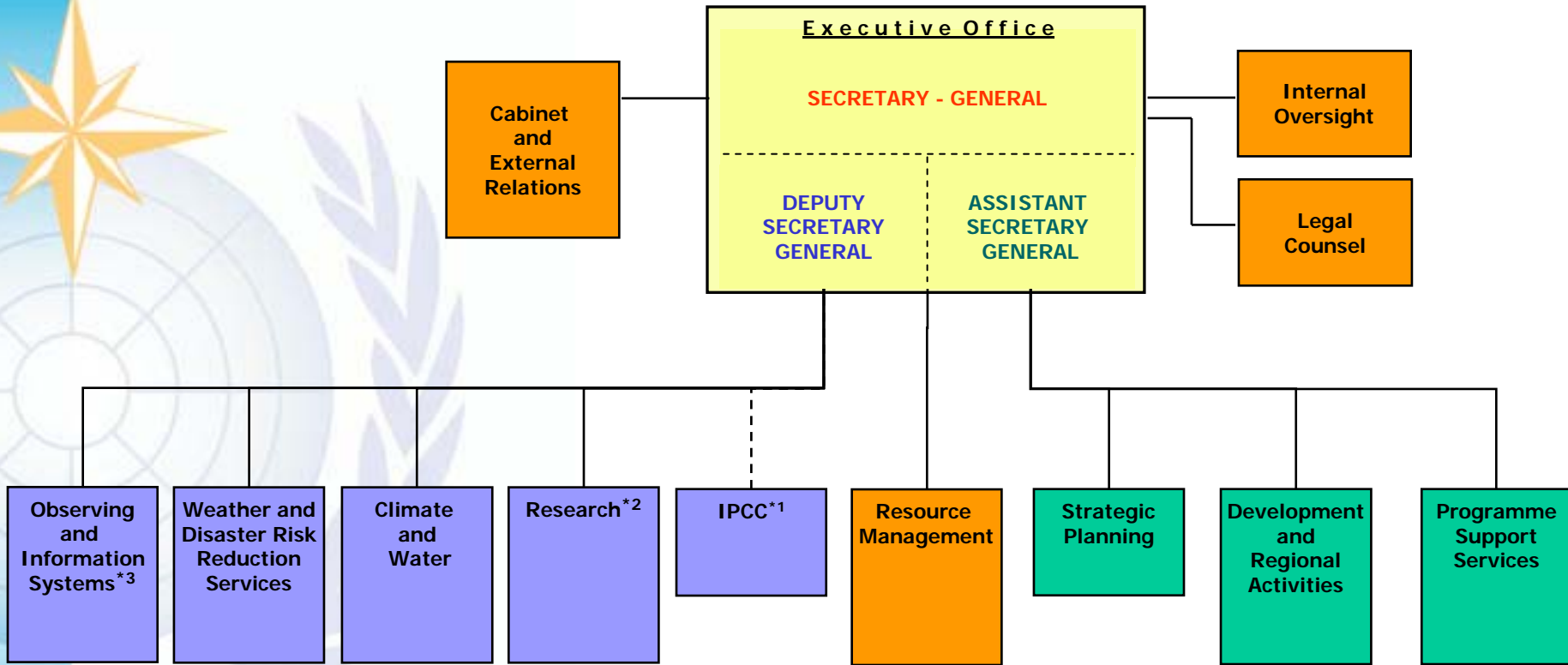
	City	Country	Located in	Established on/in
WMO Office for NCW Africa	Abuja	Nigeria	UN House	03.02.1997
WMO Office for ES Africa	Nairobi	Kenya	Kenya Met Dept	July 1998
WMO Office for West Asia	Manama	Bahrain	UN House	12.03.2007
WMO Office for SW Pacific	Apia	Samoa	SPREP	12.04.1999
WMO Office for NCAC	San José	Costa Rica	MetService HQ	03.02.1997
Regional Office for the Americas	Asunción	Paraguay	Min. of Defense	Early 1980s

WMO Bahrain and Apia Offices



Secretariat Organization

(as from 2 January 2008)



*1) Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change co-sponsored by WMO and UNEP

*2) Including the Joint Planning Staff of the World Climate Research Programme co-sponsored by WMO, ICSU and UNESCO/IOC

*3) Including the Joint Planning Office of the Global Climate Observing System co-sponsored by WMO, ICSU, UNEP and UNESCO/IOC

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WMO Office for SW Pacific

WMO Office for S America

WMO Office for NCAC

Brazil Project Office

Mexico Project Office

(Sept 2009)

Reorganization of the Secretariat/Department

CAPACITY BUILDING

Enhanced capabilities of NMHSs in developing countries, in particular LDCs, to fulfill their mandates (ER 9)

- *Assisting in capacity building through the regional technical conferences, seminars and workshops to improve, strengthen and keep up-to-date the managerial skills and expert knowledge of NMHSs in the Regions*
- *Assisting in capacity building through the regional training events*
- *Awareness creation and promotion of the activities of NMHSs and WMO through the technical experts of the Secretariat*
- *Advisory services for urgent requirements from developing countries and provide advice and guidance to member countries through the provision of expert services*
- *Technical cooperation project development, resource mobilization, and implementation*
- *Emergency response and assistance*

Regional Programme Activities

- ✓ *Regional and subregional events*
- ✓ *Coordination within the regions*
- ✓ *Support to the Regional Association*
 - *President and vice-president*
 - *MG and WGs activities*
- ✓ *Regional Cooperation*
 - *with regional partners (UNESCAP, ASEAN, SPREP, SOPAC, etc.)*
 - *Develop and implement joint regional meteorological activities*



Development Cooperation Activities

- ✓ ***TF and VCP projects implementation***
 - ***Restoration of surface observing network for Kiribati***
 - ***Restoration of GTS MSS for Philippines***
 - ***LRIT projects for Pacific SIDS***
- ✓ ***Expert missions to: Timor-Leste, Fiji; Palau, Marshall Islands; Vanuatu and Kiribati***
- ✓ ***Emergency assistance for affected Members***
 - ***EMWIN restoration for Cook Islands, and Niue***
 - ***Basic WWW infrastructure restoration for Samoa and Tonga***
- ✓ ***SPREP projects collaboration***



Operation of Field Office

- **Administrative and Financial Rules and Procedures on Operation of Offices**
 - ✓ *Bank accounts; cash imprest accounts; accounting procedures; contracts; procurement; inventory; audit; leave; recruitment of local staff; office hours*
- **IT equipment & WMO Portal/Intranet**
- **Operating Cost**
 - ✓ *Office rental cost*
 - ✓ *Share of UN admin. cost*
 - ✓ *Local staff cost*
 - ✓ *Office Car*

Enhancement of WMO Office for The South-West Pacific

- ✓ Office located in SPREP in Apia, Samoa
 - Revision of MoU with SPREP
- ✓ Upgrading of IT equipment; and Recruitment of a secretary
- ✓ Ways to increase the staff of the Office, through human resources reallocation or attachment/secondment of a technical expert by Members



Closer contact with Members and liaison with regional bodies

- ✓ Role as WMO Secretariat focal point and information centre
- ✓ Through visits; in supporting regional events; in developing and implementing technical cooperation projects and WMO emergency response and assistance
- ✓ Through Website on regional activities
 - Regional news items and articles
 - Information on Members' activities
- ✓ Advantage of location of the WMO Office for the South-West Pacific in Apia close to Members



Other issues and possible solutions

- ✓ Periodic reporting mechanism
- ✓ Rotation Programme
- ✓ Relocation of Regional Offices
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