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**WEATHER, CLIMATE AND WATER**



**WMO FLOOD FORECASTING INITIATIVE**  
**ADVISORY GROUP**

**SECOND MEETING**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

*1 TO 3 DECEMBER 2015*  
*Press Room, Ground Floor*  
*World Meteorological Organization*  
*Geneva, Switzerland*

## AGENDA

### Tuesday 01 December

- 09:30 Registration
- 09:45 Opening of the Meeting
- 10:00 Adoption of the Agenda
- 10:15 Introduction of participants
- 10:30 Introduction to the WMO Flood Forecasting Initiative and its framework (ToR) [H. Lins]
- 11:00 Break
- 11:30 **Review of and adjustments to the Work Plan 2013-2016 of the FFI-AG:**
- Activity 1)** Consider and advise on the concept, objectives, expected benefits/costs, strategy, action plan and future development of the WMO FFI
- 1.a) Criteria for review of the SAP [H. Lins]
- 1.b) Results and discussion on the revision of the Strategy and Action Plan (SAP) & the Activity Plan [Y.Simonov & J. Maina]
- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:30 1.b) Results and discussion on the revision of the SAP & Activity Plan (continued)
- 15:00 Break
- 15:30 Update/Brief overview of activities taking into consideration FFI:
- Severe Weather Forecast Demonstration Project (SWFDP) [A. Harou, 30 min.]
  - Coastal Inundation Forecasting Demonstration Project (CIFDP) [D. Reso, 30 min]
  - Flash Flood Guidance Systems (FFGS) [P. Pilon, 30 min.]
  - Coupled Hydrology Atmospheric Modelling and Prediction (CHAMP) and Seamless Forecasting [V. Fortin, 30 min.]
- 17:30 Session adjourns

## Wednesday 02 December

- 09:00 Brief overview of Day 1 [H. Lins]
- 09:15 Update/Brief overview of activities taking into consideration FFI (continued):
- Steps to extend the early warning system of Durazno to the cities of Artigas and Treinta y Tres in Uruguay [L. Silveira, 30 min.]
  - Iberoamerican network for the monitoring and forecasting of hydrometeorological phenomena (PROHIMET) [L. Aldana, 30 min.]
  - Associated Programme on Flood Management (APFM) [G. Teruggi, 30 min.]
- 10:45 Break
- 11:15 Discussion of FFI & related activities
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:00 **Review of and adjustments to the Work Plan 2013-2016 of the FFI-AG (continued):**
- Activity 2)** Review and assess the status of the WMO FFI and progress towards its objectives, and propose strategies for any necessary remedial action
- 2.a) Discussion on flood-related activities relevant to the WMO FFI taking the revised SAP in consideration [Y. Simonov and J. Maina, 1 hr.]
- 2.b) Advice and discussion on remedial actions regarding implementation of initiatives (gap identification) [Y. Simonov and J. Maina, 1 hr.]
- 15:00 Break
- 15:30 **Review of and adjustments to the Work Plan 2013-2016 of the FFI-AG (continued):**
- Activity 3)** Review and assess the progress of specific WMO FFI projects upon request
- 3.a) & b) What reviews are underway and/or planned? Are there other reviews warranted at this time? [H. Lins, 15 min.]
- Activity 4)** Advise on standards (including, but not limited to, methodologies, techniques, technologies, and so forth) for the robust and sustainable implementation of the WMO FFI [H. Lins, 30 min.]
- Activity 5)** Review the relationship of the WMO FFI with other relevant international programmes, particularly from the point of view of coordination and avoidance of overlap, and propose any necessary actions
- 5.a) Inventory of existing international programmes [G. Teruggi, 20 min.]
- 5.b to d) Review inventory for overlaps, duplications, opportunities and synergies as well as recommendations on how to proceed [H. Lins & P. Pilon, 25 min.]
- 17:30 Session adjourns

## Thursday 03 December

09:00 Brief overview of Day 2 [H. Lins]

### 09:15 **Review of and adjustments to the Work Plan 2013-2016 of the FFI-AG (continued):**

**Activity 6)** Identify and evaluate constraints on, and potential risks to, the future implementation and sustainability of the WMO FFI, and propose strategies to minimize those risks. Risks include, inter alia, those of a financial, technical, operational and institutional/political nature [H. Lins, 30 min.]

**Activity 7)** Consider and propose plans for effective advocacy of the WMO FFI (as appropriate), and ways and means to assure its future sustainability and appropriate expansion [H. Lins, 15 min.]

**Activity 8)** Promote awareness about raising the social and economic benefits and value of flood forecasting systems, including a community development approach [H. Lins, 15 min.]

10:15 Break

### 10:45 **Review of and adjustments to the Work Plan 2013-2016 of the FFI-AG (continued):**

**Activity 9)** Review and advise on the terms of reference and composition of the WMO FFI-AG [H. Lins, 15 min.]

11:00 Review of adjustments to the workplan (duplication, what is missing, future needs, etc.) [H. Lins]

- Proposal for future actions [Y. Simonov]

12:00 Lunch

13:00 Review of adjustments to the workplan (continued)

13:30 Discussion on the main conclusions and recommendations from the second FFI-AG meeting for Executive Council in June 2016 and possibly the Presidents of Technical Commissions meeting in late January 2016 [H. Lins]

14:30 Process for adoption of the Report of the FFI-AG – Session 2

14:45 Next Meeting of the FFI-AG

15:00 Final remarks

15:15 Closure