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CIMO MANAGEMENT GROUP
Third session

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

1.1 Opening of the session

The first session of the CIMO Management Group (MG) will be opened on Monday, 3 July 2006, at 10:00 a.m., at WMO Headquarters, Geneva Switzerland.

1.2 Adoption of the agenda

The membership will be invited to consider the provisional agenda with a view of its adoption.

1.3 Working arrangements for the session

The membership will agree on details concerning the organization of its work including working hours. Documentation will be available in English only, and the meeting will be conducted in English.

2. EVALUATION OF THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN THE WORK PROGRAMMES

2.1 Report of the Acting President on EC-LVIII

The Acting President of CIMO will brief the Management Group on the main results of EC-LVIII relevant to CIMO.

2.2 Report of the 2006 Meeting of Presidents of Technical Commissions

The Vice President of CIMO will provide a concise report on the Commission as it relates to CIMO activities.

2.3 Report of the OPAG Co-Chairs

Each Co-Chair will present a concise report on their achievements since CIMO-XIII against the working plans of individual expert teams within their responsibilities. Co-chairpersons will bring to the attention of the Management Group any changes needed in the work plans and ET membership, and recommendations for presentation to CIMO-XIV for consideration and approval. These reports should include a summary of their cross cutting activities with other internal and external programs and Commissions.

2.4 Report on Natural Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Programme (NDPMP)

The CIMO coordinator for NDPMP will provide a concise summary of NDMP activities.

2.5 Report on the Global Earth System of Systems (GEOSS)

The CIMO coordinator for GEOSS will provide a concise summary of GEOSS activities.

2.6 Report on the WMO Quality Management Framework (QMF)

The CIMO coordinator for QMF will provide a concise summary of QMF activities.

3. ISSUES RELATED TO PLANNING, COORDINATION AND MANAGEMENT OF COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

3.1 Review and Discuss Activities Planned for CIMO XIV

The membership is invited to review and discuss current plans for conducting CIMO XIV.

3.2 Review and Discuss Activities Planned for TECO 2006

The membership is invited to review and discuss current plans for conducting TECO 2006.

3.3 Future Work and Working Structure of CIMO

The meeting is invited to review, discuss, and propose future CIMO work, its working structure, and meeting schedules.

3.4 Other pertinent issues

3.4.1 Status Report of Documents for CIMO XIV

The OPAG Co-Chairs will report on the status of ET documents for CIMO XIV.

3.4.2 Status of IOM Reports

The Secretariat will present a summary on IOM reports.

3.4.3 Report on the Status of Interoperable Upper-air Systems

The Co-chairpersons of the OPAG UPPER-AIR will present the status of CIMO activities on interoperable upper-air systems.

3.4.4 Discussions on Future Intercomparison Activities

The Membership will identify and discuss the need for future Intercomparison activities, list each proposal by priority and provide the Secretariat with a budget profile for each of them.

3.4.5 Report on Changes to CIMO Guide Updating Procedures

The Secretariat or his representative will report on the CIMO Guide update and on the changes to the updating of documents.

3.5 The WMO Long-Term Plan Relevant to CIMO

The Acting President of CIMO will present a summary for discussion.

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4. OTHER BUSINESS

Under this agenda item, the members will be invited to discuss issues brought forward by participants at the meeting.

5. CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

The session is expected to close on Friday, 7 July 2006 in the early afternoon.