



# The Global Framework for Climate Services

2015 – 2018

Operational and Resource Plan (ORP)

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# Phase II of GFCS Implementation

## **Phase I (first two years, 2013-2014):**

- Start-up phase for establishing the Framework's infrastructure a
- Demonstration projects
- Emphasized strengthening of regional support networks and institutional capacities

## **Phase II (2015-2018)**

- **Development and scale-up phase of pillars and priority area applications**
- Initial two-year demonstration projects will be replicated in other parts of the world
- A mid-term review of the Framework during this period will include consideration of such progress

## **Phase III (2019-2022)**

- Wide-reaching benefits from improved climate services will be evident
- Improved services throughout the world, across all climate-sensitive sectors and across global, regional and national spatial scales

# Task Force Terms of Reference

- Support the Management Committee in implementing Resolution 7/1 (IBCS-2).
- Ad-hoc Task Force on the GFCS 2015-2018 Operational and Resource Plan (ORP), established by the Intergovernmental Board on Climate Services (IBCS) 2<sup>nd</sup> Management Committee.
- It will be responsible for **further refining, prioritizing and finalizing the budget and operational plan** for the GFCS for the period 2015-2018.

# Process for Developing the ORP

## Diverse Task Force Membership

- **Member Countries:** China, Norway, Russia, Switzerland, UK, U.S.
- **PAC Members:** WHO, UNISDR, UNEP, UNDP, WFP, FAO
- **RCCs:** ACMAD (Region 1), IGAD (Region 1), CIIFEN (Region 3),
- **WMO Technical Bodies:** CCL, CBS, CHy, JCOMM,

The IBCS ORP Task Force met on 27-30 April, 2015. Meeting report is available on the GFCS website.

Relevant WMO constituent bodies and programmes were provided an opportunity to provide comment on first draft in September.

# Several pathways for Phase II Implementation

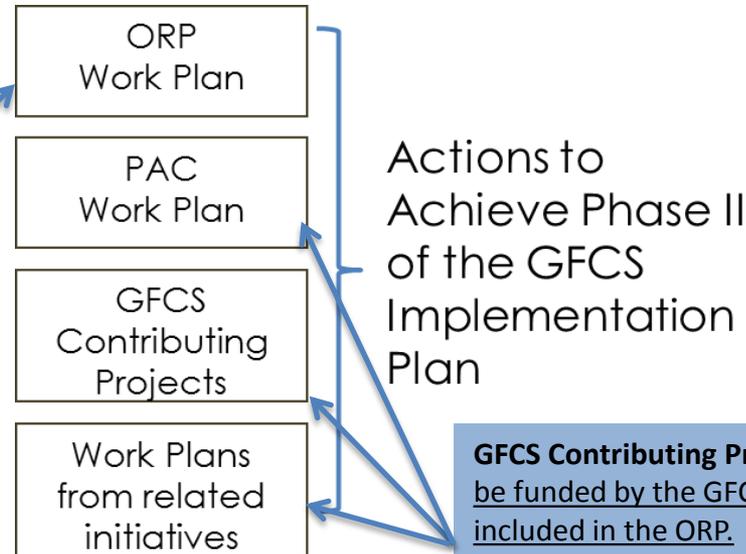
**GFCS Projects** – are funded by the GFCS Trust Fund or from other funding mechanisms provided by Members and partners.

GFCS projects must adhere to nine criteria.

GFCS Projects will be monitored and evaluated and are required to report to IBCS.

Typically these projects focus on enhancing the collaboration and partnership efforts of the User Interface Platform at the global, regional or national level and strengthening technical capabilities for the development and application of climate services.

- ORP Activities **supported by the GFCS Trust Fund**
- Separate, but complementary, to the PAC Work Plan.



**GFCS Contributing Projects** – are not intended to be funded by the GFCS Trust Fund and are not included in the ORP.

Contributing projects must meet five criteria.

They will be monitored and evaluated, and report on a voluntary basis to IBCS.

Typically these projects focus on strengthening aspects relevant to the priority areas or pillars and mostly happen at the national or regional level. Examples include activities implemented by GFCS Partner Advisory Committee (PAC) members and member countries.

# Key Context Points

- ORP activities **originated from the GFCS Implementation Plan**, with updates and refinements, and in some cases prioritization, following consultation with key partners.
- Most ORP **activities currently do not have resources**.
- The **budget section was developed by WMO Budget Office and the GFCS Office**. The ORP Task Force has not yet reviewed the budget section.

# ORP Scope and Purpose

1. To focus on **key strategic priorities** in order to ensure that we are building on earlier success and making meaningful and sustained progress towards the GFCS vision;
2. To **communicate** the strategic priorities for climate service development with governments, donors, academics, the public, and other interested parties;
3. To **guide necessary investment strategies** and decisions to fund the prioritized activities needed for the Framework to meet its intended goals;
4. To provide a **basis for monitoring and evaluating** progress on key elements of the Framework.

# ORP Document Overview

**Part I.** Introduction to and Overview of GFCS Phase II (2015-2018) Implementation

**Part II.** The GFCS Operational Work Plan for 2015-2018

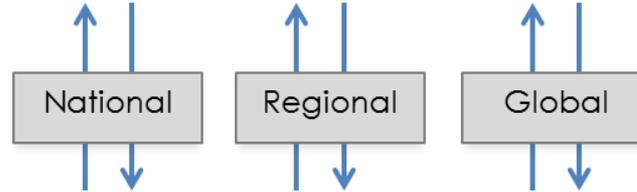
**Part III.** The ORP Budget and Resource Plan for 2015-2018

# Objective 1

UIP Mechanisms

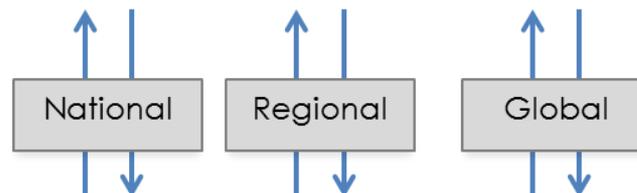
**Investing in Mechanisms for User Engagement and Services Delivery**

Sustained mechanisms are established or enhanced to support effective user-driven climate services at regional and national levels



**Supporting Climate Service Applications in Climate-Sensitive Areas**

Decision making and investments in climate sensitive sectors and areas are improved through the support of climate services



**Enhancing Core Technical and Scientific Capabilities for User-Driven Climate Services**

National needs are met through enhanced skills, processes, tools and technologies that enable and support climate service delivery

Responding to user-needs

Identifying user-needs

# Objective 2

Priority Areas

# Objective 3

Technical capabilities

# Objective 1: UIP Mechanisms

ORP Objective	2015-2018 Implementation Activities	Key Implementation Partners	ORP Expected Results
Investing in Mechanisms for User Engagement and Service Delivery	National. Establishing national legislative and policy frameworks; supporting flagship projects in developing countries	National government entities, GFCS Office, GFCS partners	Sustained mechanisms are established or enhanced to support effective user-driven climate services at regional and national levels
	Regional. Strengthening regional systems for climate service provision; demonstration projects	RCCs, Regional Organizations, GFCS partners	
	Global. Coordinate GFCS Governance and Implementation; communication and outreach; feedback and knowledge management; monitoring and evaluation	GFCS Office, GFCS partners	

# Objective 2: Priority Areas

ORP Objective	2015-2018 Implementation Activities	Key Implementation Partners	ORP Expected Results
<p>Supporting Climate Service Applications in the GFCS Priority Areas</p>	<p><b>Agriculture and Food Security.</b> Dialogues between the climate and food security communities; support development and implementation of tailored climate services</p> <p><b>Disaster Risk Reduction.</b> Develop and implement climate information support for risk analysis, risk reduction and financial protection; support implementation at national level of national DRR strategies</p> <p><b>Energy.</b> Coordination office; building climate-energy community through capacity and partnership development; provide technical inputs needed by the energy sector</p> <p><b>Human Health.</b> Technical support unit and health user-interface; National Climate and Health Working Groups; Health Protection from Hazardous Air Pollution</p> <p><b>Water Resources.</b> Help Desks for flood and drought management; projects on flood management and water resources management</p>	<p>WFP, FAO, NMHSs, national agricultural ministries,</p> <p>UNISDR, WFP, national disaster ministries, NMHSs</p> <p>IRENA, UN-Energy, WEC, IEA, WBCSD, WEMC, SE4ALL, national energy ministries</p> <p>WHO, WMO, national public health ministries</p> <p>GWP, UN-Water, IDMP, APFM WMO, NMHSs</p>	<p>Decision making and investments in climate sensitive sectors are improved through the support of climate services</p>

# Objective 3: Technical Capabilities

ORP Objective	2015-2018 Implementation Activities	Key Implementation Partners	ORP Expected Results
<p>Enhancing Core Technical and Scientific Capabilities for User-Driven Climate Services</p>	<p><b>Climate Services Information Systems.</b> Climate Outlook Forums; Climate Services Toolkits; links to Global Production Centres and the WMO Information System; Climate Watch Systems</p> <p><b>Observations and Monitoring.</b> Baseline networks; data recovery; precipitation measurements and networks; climate system monitoring</p> <p><b>Research, Predictions, and Modeling.</b> Research-based climate observations and data set development; Predictions across all time scales, coordination of research activities,</p> <p><b>Capacity Building.</b> Identify Capacity needs; support development of national CSIS and regional climate centers; training climate service practitioners and users; technical expertise exchanges</p>	<p>WMO Commissions (CCL, CBS, CHy, CAgM), RCCs, GFCS partner</p> <p>WMO Commissions, JCOMM, GCOS, GOOS</p> <p>JCOMM, WCRP, UNESCO Institutes, PROVIA, CSP, IRI, RCCs</p> <p>WMO Commissions (CCL, CBS, CHy, CAgM), GFCS partners, WMO-ETR, UN organizations</p>	<p>National needs are met through enhanced skills, processes, tools and technologies that enable and support climate service delivery</p>

# ORP Proposed Budget for 2016

Budget Part \ Source of Funding	Proposed Revised 2015 Budget	Proposed 2016 Budget	Variance: Increase / (Decrease)
Budget Part 1: Governance	100.0	100.0	-
Budget Part 2: GFCS Office	1,000.0	2,500.0	1,500.0
Budget Part 3: Projects			
UIP	4,450.0	6,750.0	2,300.0
CSIS	1,000.0	1,250.0	250.0
O&M	200.0	1,000.0	800.0
RMR	300.0	1,000.0	700.0
CD	300.0	1,000.0	700.0
Sub-total, Part 3: Projects	6,250.0	11,000.0	4,750.0
Total - Budget Parts 1, 2 & 3	7,350.0	13,600.0	6,250.0

Budget for 2016 on agenda item 7.1

# ORP Resource Plan 2015 – 2018

Year
Income and Expenditure

2015	2016	2017	2018
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A. Estimated opening balance
B. Expected income
C. Estimated expenditure
D. Estimated closing balance (A+B-C)

9,718.9	4,060.7	2,960.7	3,910.7
1,100.0	12,500.0	20,000.0	22,000.0
6,758.2	13,600.0	19,050.0	22,500.0
4,060.7	2,960.7	3,910.7	3,410.7

## Includes both:

- Expected WMO regular budget resources
- Expected extra-budgetary resources
- Approx 62.5 million for four years, need to mobilize 55 million by 2018

# Feedback requested from Task Force

## Document 6.1(2)

- Budget
  - What is the process for including the WMO Regular Budget contributions?
- Ad hoc Task Force
  - Is there a continuing role for this group?
- Updating the ORP
  - Is an update needed before 2018?
- Targeted staffing needs for ORP (M&E, Comms, etc.)
  - A call for expert secondments? Other suggestions?
- Gender and Urban
  - How do we mainstream into the ORP?

# Feedback from the PAC on the ORP

PAC supported the Operational and Resources Plan (ORP) for the GFCS for the period 2015-2018, and noted:

- **General comments**
  - The resource requirements for the ORP are critical for the foundational activities but also for **leveraging resources** from other initiatives
  - The ORP needs to be more closely linked to and contextualized under the **2030 Sustainable Development Goal agenda**.
- **ORP Objectives**
  - Need for process to guide **prioritization of funding** distribution across the objectives
  - Recommended that **a results based framework be developed** for the ORP that aligns with the M&E.
- **Budget and funding process**
  - The final draft of the ORP should be **validated by the ORP Task Force**
  - Need for **clear processes, mechanisms to access, and management/administrative support** of the GFCS Trust Fund
- **Communication and Outreach of ORP**
  - Need for **clear and streamlined communication** of GFCS Activities and Priorities of a finalized document, in particular for national and regional implementing partners

# Reflections from the TT Chairs

- Connectivity of Objectives
  - Ensuring that **core capacities (Obj 3) and mechanisms (Obj 1) are responding to user needs (Obj 2)** was a frequent comment and potential gap
- Identification and Prioritization of Activities
  - **Lack of clear focal points and ownership** for some parts of the ORP
  - Avoiding impression of duplication in the context of Obj 3
  - If further prioritization of existing activities is needed, how to proceed?
- Potential duplication in reporting, resource mobilization, M&E
  - Multiple efforts: PAC work plan, WMO results based framework, etc.
  - How do **we co-design and manage activities** that are found in more than one work plan? (Obj 3, GFCS)
- Improved messaging on unique role of GFCS
  - **Managing expectations** when engaging with partners, countries and other entities.



Thank you for your attention

# Objectives and Outcome

*GFCS actions catalyze the development and application of climate services that support nations and communities to develop sustainably, reduce disaster risk and adapt to climate change.*

## **Objective 1: to enhance mechanisms for user engagement and service delivery.**

Activities respond to priority needs identified in the GFCS User Interface Platform (UIP), and **contribute to creating *sustained mechanisms to support effective user-driven, end to end climate services at regional and national levels.***

Key implementing entities : GFCS Office, regional and national level organizations, and partners that identify user needs and appropriate stakeholders at the national and subnational level.

## **Objective 2: to support the application of climate services for decision-making in the five climate-sensitive GFCS priority areas.**

Activities respond to priority needs identified in the GFCS Exemplar documentation, and contribute to ***improving decision making and investments in climate sensitive sectors through the support of climate services.***

Key implementing entities : **PAC and other partner organizations.**

## **Objective 3: to enhance core technical and scientific capabilities for user-driven climate services.**

Activities align with Pillars of GFCS and respond to priority needs identified in the GFCS Annex documentation, and contribute ***to meeting national needs through enhanced skills, processes, tools and technologies that enable and support climate service delivery.***

Key implementing entities are the WMO and its GFCS partners, WMO Constituent Bodies, and NMHSs.