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# Resolution 1 (IBCS-2)

**AMENDMENT OF ANNEX 1 TO RESOLUTION 7 (IBCS-1) – ESTABLISHMENT OF A STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT MECHANISM AND PARTICIPATION OF GFCS STAKEHOLDERS IN THE WORK OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL** **BOARD ON CLIMATE SERVICES**

THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL BOARD ON CLIMATE SERVICES,

Noting Resolution 7 (IBCS-1) – Establishment of a stakeholder engagement mechanism and participation of GFCS stakeholders in the work of the Intergovernmental Board on Climate Services,

Recognizing that implementation of the Global Framework for Climate Services (GFCS) requires the strengthening of relations with all interested partners in accordance with the purposes and principles of the GFCS Governance,

Recognizing also the positive outcomes of the first meeting of the Partner Advisory Committee, held in Rome from 27 to 28 October 2014, and its willingness to advance the objectives of the Global Framework,

Recognizing further the importance of cooperation among the GFCS partner organizations, and the benefits to the GFCS Governance of such cooperation, including the most exhaustive possible identification of GFCS-related activities worldwide, especially in terms of committed resources and assessed achievements,

Decides to adopt the amended Annex 1 to Resolution 7 (IBCS-1) as given in the annex to this resolution;

Requests the Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Board on Climate Services to report to the third session of the Board on implementation of the adopted stakeholder engagement mechanism including a review of its composition and criteria for membership;

Invites the Secretary-General to inform partner organizations on the implementation of the modalities set out in the annex to the present resolution.

# Annex to Resolution 1 (IBCS-2)

**TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE PARTNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL BOARD ON CLIMATE SERVICES**

These terms of reference specify functions and responsibilities, membership, mode of operation and financing of the Partner Advisory Committee (hereunder referred as the “PAC”) of the Intergovernmental Board on Climate Services (hereunder referred as the “IBCS”).

# Functions of the Partner Advisory Committee

* 1. The PAC shall operate under the guidance of the IBCS. The PAC has the mandate to discuss GFCS Stakeholders issues relating to the implementation of the GFCS. In particular, the PAC is asked to provide expert advice and recommendations on such issues to the IBCS, to raise awareness within the GFCS Stakeholders and to prepare and share information accordingly. The PAC shall discharge its mandate through the following specific functions:

1. To provide comments on draft decisions and to present recommendations for the consideration of the IBCS before and during IBCS sessions, and to interact accordingly with the IBCS Management Committee during the intersessional period;
2. To facilitate, as appropriate, relevant decisions and recommendations of GFCS Stakeholders participating in the GFCS, by providing a forum for the examination of GFCS- relevant issues;
3. To prepare a synthesis and consolidated report on the GFCS implementation within the GFCS Stakeholders with a view to identify gaps and priorities in order to facilitate effective resource mobilization and increase synergy and coordination between GFCS partners, including in the scientific and technical domains, for GFCS implementation;
4. To contribute to the monitoring of the GFCS strategy, objectives and targets, and the Implementation Plan and present their views in collaboration with the Management Committee thereon to the IBCS; and
5. To engage technical expertise, as needed and appropriate, to support its work.

# Membership

1. Membership in the Partner Advisory Committee is open to UN organizations, non-UN intergovernmental organizations, international organizations, international development partners, and international non-governmental organizations in strict compliance with the UN (the agreement concluded between the UN and WMO which came into force 20 December 1951) and WMO policies and regulations (WMO Convention Art. 26 as well as paragraph 2 (f) of the Terms of Reference of the IBCS).
2. In accordance with Regulation 19 of the General Regulations, the Chairperson of the IBCS may invite experts to participate in sessions or meetings of the PAC as observers.

# Mode of operation

1. The PAC shall work as a structured network. In this respect, the GFCS Office, under the supervision and guidance of the WMO Secretary-General, shall register the partner organizations willing to be members of the PAC as well as experts invited by the Chairperson of the IBCS as observers in the PAC, and maintain this register up-to-date.
2. The PAC members shall designate its Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, who shall act as its representatives vis-à-vis the IBCS, and replace them as may be required under the circumstances. The WMO Secretary-General shall inform the Chairperson of the IBCS accordingly.
3. The duties of the Chairperson, of the PAC, and the Vice-Chairperson when acting as his/her representative, shall be:
4. To guide and coordinate the activities of the PAC;
5. To engage PAC, as appropriate, in consultations and meetings as may result from decisions of the IBCS;
6. To ensure that the activities of the PAC are in accordance with the Terms of Reference of the PAC;
7. To submit the synthesis and consolidated report on the GFCS implementation within the GFCS stakeholders, with a view to identify gaps and priorities to the GFCS Office for distribution at least one month in advance of the Management Committee meetings;As may be decided by the Chairperson of the IBCS, to report on the activities of the PAC and present its views to the IBCS at its sessions.

# Funding

1. The cost of administrative arrangements, including those for conference services for meetings of the PAC, shall be borne by partner organizations.

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