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The Importance of Satellite Data to Climate Change Studies and Research

Training Development Plan VLMG -7



Presentation Outline

- Overview of Training
- Delivery Approach
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- Milestones

Overview of Training

- Who are the target groups?
 - Meteorological Personnel are usually at the forefront of questioning on Climate Change (CC) and Climate Variability (CV).
- What will the session provide:
 - This will provide a recap of key terminology used in the field of climate studies and satellite meteorology and allow for the links to be explained.

Objective of Training

- To provide Meteorological Personnel with:
 - basic information on the role of remotely sensed monitoring of climate change (CC) and climate variability (CV);
 - Ideas on thier role on monitoring CC and CV; and,
 - how CC and CV can be easily communicated to their stakeholders whenever required.

Overview of Training - Target Audience

All participants must possess at least a tertiary level education in Meteorology or a related science. These may include:

- International Meteorological Service
 Personnel
- Forecast Office Service Providers
- Academic personnel with general interest

Overview of Training - Learning Outcomes

 Adequate knowledge of CC and CV and what this means to various organizations and communities;

The use of satellite data/ observations in

examining CC and CV

 Roles to be played in the continuous monitoring of CC and CV

Overview of Training - Scope of Training

- Introduce the context of and terminology in climatology such as CC and CV
- Review key atmospheric, ground and sea surface variables and phenomena at the different spatio-temporal scales that determine essential climate trends
- Discuss possible CC and CV impacts

Scope of Training

- Explain the importance of monitoring CC and CV;
- Explain the role of satellites in monitoring and predicting CC and CV;
- Identify the advantages and disadvantages of using satellites to monitor CC and CV
- Build hands-on competency in monitoring of essential climate variables;
- Obtain feedback and clarify any misconceptions

Delivery Approach

- Voice Over Internet Protocol and online tele-/video-conferencing software such as Centra or Blackboard
- Interactive and participant centred with
 - Case Studies
 - Discussion
 - Questioning
 - Sharing of best practices and lessons learnt



Resources and Tools

- Development and implementation of the session will require:
- Human Resources
 - Climate Experts
 - Content Developers and Presenters such as personnel from the WMO Centres of Excellence and the Virtual Laboratory for Training and Education in Satellite Meteorology (VLab)
 - Reviewers
 - Training Support
 - Translators

Resources and Tools

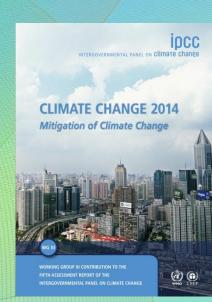
Development and implementation of the session will require:

Content Resources

- Translation of materials in other languages
- Reader friendly formatting and graphic designing of the presentation

Reference Materials

- WMO
- IPCC report
- -CCCCC
- EuMETSat



Evaluation and Assessment

 No evaluation or assessment!



 There will be a short feedback session to clarify any misconceptions related to the key concepts presented in the session.

Risks

- Many existing on-going programmes, and possible overlaps
- Delays in the adaptation of the materials
- Scheduling challenges and conflicts may arise.
- Participating personnel may not possess the pre-requisite knowledge and experience required.

Milestones

Development and endorsement of final presentation, materials and learning activities by October 31st, 2014

Hosting of the VLab Online Session by November 28th, 2014.

Questions?

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