



WORLD
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

the
World Meteorological Organization

and

The Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research

2023

The World Meteorological Organization, hereinafter referred to as "WMO", an intergovernmental organization having its seat at Geneva, Switzerland,

and

The Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research, hereinafter referred to as "IAI", an intergovernmental treaty organization in the Americas having its seat at Av. Italia 6201, Ed. Los Tilos, Office 103, Montevideo, Uruguay,

jointly and individually referred to hereinafter as "the Parties" and "Party", respectively,

CONSIDERING

The *Convention of the World Meteorological Organization* dated 11 October 1947;

That WMO is a specialized agency of the United Nations, recognized as such since 1951 through the *Agreement between the United Nations and the World Meteorological Organization*, first established in 1950, having originated from the International Meteorological Organization founded in 1873;

That WMO is the United Nations system's authoritative voice on the state and behaviour of the Earth's atmosphere, its interaction with the oceans, the climate it produces and the resulting distribution of water resources;

That IAI is an intergovernmental treaty organization in the Americas, established in 1992 to develop the capacity to understand the integrated impact of past, present, and future global change on regional and continental environments in the Americas and to promote collaborative, well-informed actions at all levels. Currently, IAI is composed of 19 country Parties from the Americas that meet once a year as a Conference of the Parties to monitor and steer the activities of the IAI.

IAI pursues the principles of scientific excellence, international cooperation, and full and open exchange of scientific information relevant to global environmental change so that scientists, civil society, and decision-makers throughout the Americas might jointly address the critical issues associated with global change;

WMO and IAI share common objectives with regard to the pursuit of international cooperation, and the full and open exchange of scientific information relevant to global change;

The common concerns and agreed regional priorities of WMO and IAI Members in relation to science and technology development and their applications to economic and social well-being and development.;

The need to generate scientific information in an interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary, and comprehensive manner that responds to the needs of knowledge users but also provides a deep understanding of complex socio-environmental systems through partnerships to guide global change mitigation and adaptation efforts and contribute to policy decisions;

The mandate and guiding principles for partnerships between WMO and IAI, which stem from the relevant legislative decisions of the governing bodies of each organization as well as from the relevant outcomes of the global and regional ministerial fora;

That some of the activities carried out by one Party in pursuing its objectives may be of interest to the other Party, or benefit from a contribution by the other Party;

The interest of the Parties in, and the results of the cooperation under, this Memorandum of Understanding will be made available to the Member States and Territories and to the international community at large;

The desire of the Parties to create a framework to ensure, on a long-term basis, the consultation, exchange of information and coordination required for the implementation of this Memorandum of Understanding;

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Memorandum of Understanding, hereinafter referred to as "MoU", constitutes the framework within which the Parties will, on the basis of reciprocity, develop cooperation in fields related to their mandates.
2. With due regard to their respective competencies, institutional settings and operational frameworks, the Parties will inform and consult with each other, as appropriate, on issues of mutual interest, in particular, on scientific, technological, regulatory and development issues in which cooperation may foster the purposes of the Parties.
3. Where issues of mutual interest are identified and the Parties consider that they may profit from cooperation and resulting synergies, the Parties will define an appropriate structure for the planning, execution and monitoring of their cooperation, as well as for the dissemination of results. Such technical arrangements may take the form of written agreements under the umbrella of this MoU.
4. The Parties will exchange their publications concerning issues of common interest and related fields.
5. Appropriate arrangements may be made by agreement from time to time for reciprocal representation of IAI and WMO at meetings convened under their respective auspices which consider matters in which the other Party may have an interest.
6. The Parties will meet at least annually to take stock of progress and identify possible new areas of cooperation.
7. Each Party will appoint a Representative who will coordinate relations with the other Party, including between technical experts of the Parties, and who will keep the head of their organization informed. Any

change of Representative will be communicated in writing to the other Party.

<p>[insert signature of WMO representative here]</p> <p>Julian Báez Benítez Director of the WMO Regional Office for the Americas Av. Marical Lopez 1146, 3rd Floor Ministry of National Defense Asuncion, Paraguay Representative of WMO</p>	<p>[insert signature of partner's representative here]</p> <p>Marcos Regis da Silva Executive Director of the IAI Av. Italia 6201, Ed. Los Tilos, Office 103 Montevideo, Uruguay Executive Director of the IAI</p>

8. Any use by either Party of the other Party's name, emblem or logo will only be made with the prior written approval of that other Party.
9. All activities under this MoU will be subject to availability of funding of the Parties and is not intended to be legally binding. The activities are to be conducted on a no-exchange of funds basis, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties in writing.
10. The Parties will settle between them any question of interpretation or difference concerning this MoU.
11. Nothing contained in this MoU will constitute or be deemed a waiver, express or implied, of any of the privileges and immunities enjoyed by WMO or by IAI
12. This MoU will enter into force on the date of its signature by the Parties, it being understood that where it is subject to approval or ratification, it will enter into force on the date on which the Party concerned has given written notification to the other Party that approval or ratification has taken place.
13. This MoU may be amended at any time. Any such amendment will be agreed by mutual consent and will be effected by an exchange of letters.
14. This MoU may be terminated by either Party with three (3) months' written notice to the other Party.
15. This MoU will remain in force for an initial period of five (5) years and will thereafter be renewed automatically, each time for a new period of five (5) years, unless a written notice of termination is given by one of the Parties to the other at least six (6) months prior to the renewal date, or the Parties have agreed on its termination or on its renewal by another period.

Done in duplicate in the English language.

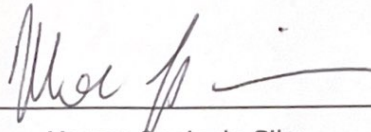
Signed on behalf of the
World Meteorological Organization

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Prof. Petteri Taalas
Secretary-General, WMO

Date: 16 February 2023

Signed on behalf of
The Inter-American Institute for Global
Change Research

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Marcos Regis da Silva
Executive Director of the IAI

Date: 6 March 2023