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Annex I**Concept Note****Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team****Lijiang, China, 4–6 June 2024**

WMO and the Beijing Climate Center (BCC) of China Meteorology Administration (CMA) will be co-organizing the Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF 1) and meeting of the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre Network (TPRCC-Network) Task Team from 4 to 6 June 2024, hosted by BCC and the Northwest Institute of Eco-Environment and Resources (NIEER, CAS) in Lijiang, China.

Remarkable progress has been made by the Third Pole Regional Climate Centre – Network (TPRCC-Network) in developing climate products and services for the Members of the Third Pole region. TPRCC-Network has a unique design and focuses on the cryosphere products to address the needs of Members in the region with a rapidly changing and remote high-mountain environment. The Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF) has been recognized as one of the flagship activities of TPRCC-Network and the main user engagement mechanism at regional level.

Following the resolution 9 of Seventeenth Session of Regional Association II (RA II-17) in 2021, the recommendations of the Scoping Workshop on the establishment of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF) (November 2023) and the recommendations of the RA II WMO Integrated Global Observing System (WIGOS) Workshop (December 2023), the TPRCC-Network will be initiating the TPCF with guidance from the WMO Secretariat, relevant Constituent bodies, their subsidiary bodies and from the existing RCCs/RCC-networks. The TPCF will have a unique format by focusing on the cryosphere products to address the needs of Members in the Third Pole region.

The Inaugural session of TPCF will be held on 4 and 5 June 2024. The main objectives of the Forum are to establish a sustainable regional collaborative platform that brings together national, regional, and international climate experts, users and stakeholders, to produce seasonal outlook based on input from WMO Global Producing Centres for Long-Range Forecasts (GPCsLRF), Lead Center for Long-Range Forecast Multi-Model Ensemble (LC-LRFMME), WMO Regional Climate Centres (RCCs) and National Meteorological and Hydrological Services (NMHSs), and to discuss how the climate information can be effectively integrated into decision making processes. TPCF 1 will be followed by the meeting of the Task Team of TPRCC-Network on 6 June 2024 to discuss the outcomes of the Forum and the role and responsibilities of TPRCC Network Nodes in the TPCF process.

The Forum agenda as well as the logistical details will be provided to the participants in due course. For further information, please contact Ms Anahit Hovsepyan (ahovsepyan@wmo.int), Scientific Officer, Regional Climate Prediction (RCP) Services Division at the WMO Secretariat. For the local logistics and visa support please contact Mr Sun Yuan (sunyuan@cma.gov.cn).



INAUGURAL SESSION OF THE THIRD POLE CLIMATE FORUM and MEETING OF THE THIRD POLE RCC-NETWORK TASK TEAM

4 – 6 June 2024

Lijiang, Yunnan Province, China

Information Note

◆ Meeting Venue

The Inaugural Session of the Third Pole Climate Forum (TPCF1) will be held at: Lijiang International Hotel (丽江国际大酒店)
(Address: 152 Jinxing Street, Gucheng District, Lijiang, Yunnan Province, China)
The website of the Hotel: <https://www.iinhotel.com/27305/en>

◆ Accommodation and Meals

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) made a block reservation and will cover the lodging and food for all foreign participants. Due to this kind offer by CMA WMO funded participants have been provided with a reduced DSA.

The LOC will facilitate room reservation upon request in the Lijiang International Hotel. With this purpose the participants are requested to provide ASAP their itinerary to Mr. SUN Yuan (sunyuan@cma.gov.cn).

Room Price: 380RMB per night including breakfast

Check-out time: 14:00

Address: 152 Jinxing Street, Gucheng District, Lijiang, Yunnan Province, China, code: 674199

Tel: +86-888-5888888



◆ **Local Transportation**

Lijiang Sanyi Airport is in South of Lijiang, Yunnan Province of People's Republic of China, and about 30km from the Lijiang International Hotel.

LOC will provide pick-up service for all foreign participants based on the itinerary provided by the participants. The CMA staff will hold a paper with full names of participant at the exit of Lijiang Airport.

◆ **Important dates**

June 2, 2024: Deadline for submission of presentation in PDF

June 3, 2024: Registration at the Lijiang International Hotel

June 4-6, 2024: TPCF

◆ **Registration**

June 3, 2024: from 14:00 to 20:00 at the 1st floor of the Lijiang International Hotel

June 4, 2024: from 8:00-9:00 AM at the No. 7 Meeting Room at the 5th floor of the Hotel

There is no registration fee.

◆ **PPT Copy**

The presentation slides (PPT, PDF) should be sent to <sunyuan@cma.gov.cn> with a copy to <svazifehkhah@wmo.int> to be uploaded to the TPRCC-Network website and WMO webpage along with all relevant material and the E-version of the Forum photos.

◆ **Time zone**

In relation to Greenwich, Beijing is +8 hours.

◆ **Electricity and WIFI**

The electrical voltage in China is 220V. Wifi is accessible for participants as follows.

For China there are three associated plug types - [A, C and I](#).

Meeting room Wifi ID: R1322, no password

Hotel room Wifi ID: Room number, Password: 88888888

◆ **Reconfirmation of airline ticket reservations**

Please contact the front desk or business center of the Hotel if you need to call to reconfirm your airline ticket, or contact Local Organizing Committee (LOC) members to ask for help during the meeting

◆ **Social events**

The conference reception hosted by CMA will be held at 18:00pm on June 4, 2024. All participants and their accompanying persons are invited to join the reception.

◆ **Weather Forecast of Lijiang**

The weather in Lijiang during 1-7 June will be fairly pleasant with light rain, according to the meteorological data from 1991-2020. The average temperature is about 18.1°C. The mean maximum is 24.0°C and minimum 13.5°C.

◆ **Medical care and insurance**

The conference secretariat will be on duty all day during the conference. Please contact the Secretariat or LOC members for first aid or medical care services. The medical fee should be borne by the patient.

Participants are strongly advised to arrange their own overseas travel insurance.

◆ **Currency exchange**

The official currency in China is CNY (Chinese Yuan). Currency exchange centers can be found at airport, local banks.

Travelers' checks are not widely used in China and are accepted only by major banks and some hotels. The Bank of China will cash your traveler check. The exchange rate for US\$ and EURO fluctuate with time. Recent examples are:

- ☆ US\$ to RMB: around 100: 716.56
- ☆ EURO to RMB: around 100: 755.49

◆ **Language assistance**

If you have some difficulties in communication with taxi driver, please show the following Chinese characters to them:

- ☆ 请送我到丽江国际大酒店，谢谢！

Please take me to the Lijiang International Hotel, thank you!

☆ 请送我到丽江机场，__号航站楼，谢谢！

Please take me to Terminal __ of Lijiang Sanyi Airport, thank you!

◆ **Visa Application**

Visas are required to enter to China. CMA will provide an official invitation letter if required. Mr. SUN Yuan (sunyuan@cma.gov.cn) will help to prepare the letter. It may take some time to process the visa; therefore, you are encouraged to begin the visa application as soon as possible. The Visa fee should be covered by yourself and will not be reimbursed.

◆ **Contacts**

☆ **TPCF Secretariat**

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