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Stakeholder Consultation on Climate Services for the Third Pole Region

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Background

- Stakeholder consultations on GFCS pillars are being conducted at various levels, to facilitate building on the existing practices, expertise and infrastructure.
- Such consultations on the regional level conducted so far for South East Europe (November 2014), Latin America (July 2014), the Pacific Islands (April 2014), the Caribbean (May 2013) and the Least Developed Countries in Asia (October 2012) have been quite useful.
- EC-PHORS has been pursuing the development of climate services in the Third Pole region, keeping in view the unique requirements of the communities there.
- A Key Result of the Canadian-funded Programme on GFCS Implementation on regional and national scales deals with the initiation of a process for the establishment of climate service delivery for the Third Pole Region (incl. Himalaya and Tibetan Plateau Region)
- The consultation is expected to address the preparation of a robust plan for the development of climate services in the region in a participative manner.



Third Pole GFCS Consultation

- In the frame of the aforementioned project, a “Regional Stakeholder Consultation on Climate Services for the Third Pole Region” is proposed to be organized at Jaipur, India, from 9-11 March 2016 (tbc).
- The Third Pole GFCS Consultation is expected to bring together a well-representative set of stakeholders from the HKH encompassing the relevant government ministries including the NMHSs, UN bodies, IGOs, NGOs, private sector, academia, and other members of civil society.
- The discussion will focus on the capacities and requirements of operational communities engaged in climate services as well the requirements of the various user communities of climate information.
- In particular, the consultation will address climate information requirements in the GFCS priority sectors of food security, water, health, disaster risk reduction, and energy.
- A concept note for the Consultation is under development.



Issues of PRCC relevance

- Potential participants comprising:
 - Stakeholders from the Hindu Kush-Himalayan (HKH) region including representatives from potential RCC contributors, NMHSs, the private sector, academia, other members of civil society
 - other experts including those from UN bodies, IGOs, NGOs, and the private sector;
- RCC related topics in the proposed agenda outline and expected outcomes of the Third Pole GFCS Consultation;
- Role of RCCs in the way forward to implement GFCS in the Third Pole region including
 - Development of climate services for the Third Pole Region
 - Institutional arrangements, partnerships and processes required to be considered to operationalize the GFCS in the Third Pole Region,





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