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World Meteorological Day Roundtable BUILDING CLIMATE-SMART CITIES

📅 **Wednesday 23 March 2016** ⌚ **10:00-12:00**
📍 **WMO Building, Room C2 (7 bis av de la Paix)**

*A roundtable organized by the World Meteorological Organization and the Geneva Environment Network on the occasion of **World Meteorological Day**: “Hotter, drier, wetter. Face the future”.*

Rapid urban growth and sprawl is creating major challenges for cities around the world. The health and safety of many urban residents are under increasing threat from air pollution, climate impacts and other hazards. At the same time, cities are powerful sources of innovation and creativity, and they are well-positioned to find solutions. Many of these solutions will be most effective when implemented by multi-sectoral partnerships among city agencies, civil-society groups and international organizations.

In anticipation of the **Habitat III** conference that will be held in Quito, Ecuador, from 17 to 20 October, this roundtable will explore how the meteorological, public health, environmental and other communities can work together to build integrated urban services for healthy, climate-smart and sustainable cities.

Panel:

- Carlos DORA, Coordinator, Public Health, Environmental and Social Determinants of Health Department, WHO
- Krzysztof OLENDRZYNSKI, Environmental Affairs Officer, Secretariat of the Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution Convention, UNECE
- Jean-Yves BARCELO, Head, Geneva Liaison Office, UN-HABITAT
- Maud POISSONNIER, JPO, Climate and Water Department, WMO
- Ruth BÄNZIGER, Co-Mayor, Onex

Moderator:

- Deon TERBLANCHE, Director, Atmospheric Research & Environment Branch, WMO

World Meteorological Day is held 23 March every year and marks the entry into force in 1950 of the WMO Convention creating an inter-governmental organization as a successor to the non-governmental International Meteorological Organization (IMO) established in 1873.

Online Registration: <http://www.genevaenvironmentnetwork.org/?q=en/wmd2016-air-pollution>