



Systematic Observations Financing Facility **Second Potential Funders' Forum**

Agenda item 4 - SOFF operational framework

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How will SOFF support be provided?

	Main outputs	Operational Partners
Readiness	· Assessment of the whole value chain country gaps, including GBON gap	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer National Met Services• Implementing Entities• WMO Technical Authority
	· Development of the GBON national contribution plan and independent verification	

How will SOFF support be provided? (2)

	Main Outputs	Operational partners
Investment	<p>Implementation of the GBON national contribution plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GBON infrastructure• Human and institutional capacity development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer National Met Services• Implementing Entities

How will SOFF support be provided? (3)

	Main Outputs	Operational Partners
Compliance	<p>Provision of results-based finance for O&M costs, based on data sharing (GBON compliance)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Verified through transparent, publicly available data• Annual GBON compliance and SOFF impact report published	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Peer National Met Services• WMO Technical Authority• Global Producing Centers

What are the novel operational features of SOFF?

Phase	SOFF key novel operational features	
<p>Readiness</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Whole value chain assessment: SOFF support starts with an assessment of the whole value chain (CHD) to ensure that improvements in observations are consistent with the country's full value chain efforts ▪ GBON national contribution plan – the “funding proposal” - will be independently verified: the definition of investments and capacity needs to close the GBON gap will be technically verified by WMO 	<p style="text-align: center;">Continuous access to peer to peer technical assistance support - in particular to ensure that the data sharing works as expected.</p>
<p>Investment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An integrated investment through a single intervention: the national GBON system will be implemented under a unified, integrated, and consistent approach ▪ Last- mile impact: SOFF investments will be embedded into broader projects that will link SOFF upstream investments with last mile interventions. 	
<p>Compliance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Retroactive long-term results-based financing directly channeled to NMHS: Annual disbursements to the NMHS upon WMO verification of data sharing compliance. ▪ Unequivocal results and impact measuring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GBON data sharing results will be technically verified by WMO in real-time • Impact of improved observations in forecast quality will be assessed 	

Sustainability, Risks and Reporting

Financial resource mobilization for long-term support

- Needs: USD 50 million annually to sustain compliance
- Through regular replenishment of supporting institution

Risks

- Contextual
- Programmatic
- Institutional

Learning & Reporting

- Lessons of implementation
- Innovations
- Compliance and impact
- Independent external evaluation