

Asian Disaster Preparedness Center

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Dr. Peter Bauer European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts Shinfield Park Reading RG2 9AX United Kingdom

Dear Dr. Bauer,

Asian Disaster Preparedness Center (ADPC) is an independent intergovernmental organization that works to build the resilience of people and institutions to disasters and climate change impacts in Asia and the Pacific. Established in 1986 ADPC has thematic focal areas; Risk Governance, Climate Resilience, Urban Resilience, Health Risk Management, Preparedness for Response and Resilient Recovery. In addition, addresses three cross-cutting themes: Gender and Diversity, Poverty and Livelihoods, and Regional and Transboundary Cooperation.

We are looking forward to supporting the Extreme Earth flagship proposal for the call "Tackling Grand Interdisciplinary Science and Technology Challenges", specifically to support risk management in Asia and the Pacific. In Asia, disasters claim thousands of lives every year, and we hope that an investment in Extreme Earth could prevent this loss of life, safeguard livelihood and reduce the economic impact of disasters. We would be interested to support the work linking earth system data with data about society and vulnerable systems, to understand potential impacts and how to build resilience.

ADPC has been working in the region in building climate resilience with the support from Norway, Sweden, UK and other donors. ADPC has also been a key actor in providing training and capacity building programs for national hydro-meteorological services (NHMSs) in South and Southeast Asia in the use of numerical weather prediction models. We welcome the open data promise of Extreme Earth, and we look forward to developing the link with these country-level agencies to interact with the data from Extreme Earth.

We hope the proposal is funded, and we look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Hans Guttman Executive Director