

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN**

**Indian Meteorological Society (IMS)**

**AND**

**Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society (AMOS)**

As organizations with common goals of supporting the creation and dissemination of knowledge in the atmospheric and related sciences, the Indian Meteorological Society (IMS) and the Australian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society (AMOS) agree to the following guidelines for mutually beneficial interaction.

**1. Collaboration and Information Exchange**

To the mutual benefit of both societies, IMS and AMOS promote collaboration and information exchange in the following ways:

- Links to the other society in each society's website.
- Publicising/promoting this reciprocal agreement and its mutual benefits to the membership (at least twice yearly) via a range of communication methods.
- Listing of each society's meetings in the calendar of meetings of the other society.
- Reporting of activities of the partner society from time to time to keep the broader membership aware of these activities.
- Collaboration or cooperation on reports or statements on substantive issues such as climate change or science education, or other topics within the weather, water or climate enterprise.
- Collaboration on topics associated with advancing the enterprise associated with each society, to include e-mail exchanges, joint meetings, or other mechanisms as agreed to.

**2. Endorsement of Statements**

IMS and AMOS each release official statements on scientific and policy issues from time to time. IMS and AMOS will work together to encourage endorsements of these statements between the two organizations. Where IMS statements are endorsed by AMOS, IMS will provide such statements to be freely displayed on the AMOS website and published in the *Bulletin of the Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society (BAMOS)*, and where appropriate, be distributed through media and other outlets (with appropriate IMS recognition). Where AMOS statements are endorsed by IMS, AMOS will provide such statements to be freely displayed on the IMS website and published in the *Bulletin of Indian Meteorological Society (Vayumandal)* and where appropriate, distributed through media and other outlets (with appropriate AMOS recognition).

### **3. Meeting cooperation**

- Each society will seek opportunities to engage with each other's meetings through remote participation and sharing of presentation files and audio/video recording of events, where appropriate.
- All members of the partner society will be eligible for a reduced registration fee at the host society's meeting (which may be higher than the member fee that is available for those members of the partner society who are affiliate members of the host society).
- In some cases, the partner society may agree to organize a session at the host society's meeting.
- In some cases, the two societies may choose to organize a joint symposium. In those situations, a separate MoU specific to the meeting will be prepared to cover financial obligations as well as the responsibilities of each society.

### **4. Reciprocal Membership**

#### **a. IMS membership**

Members of AMOS who reside outside India may join IMS in the category of Member at a discount of 25% off the full annual rate. They will enjoy the same benefits as IMS members, including member registration for all IMS events. AMOS members will apply for IMS membership directly with IMS, and IMS will handle all aspects of the application and annual renewal process. Members of AMOS will be asked to provide their AMOS membership number (or other appropriate identification) that can be confirmed with AMOS at the discretion of IMS.

#### **b. AMOS membership**

Professional members of IMS who reside outside Australia may join AMOS in the category AMOS Reciprocal Member, which is set at the same fee as the Professional Retired Member rate. Reciprocal Members will enjoy the same benefits as AMOS members, including member registration for all AMOS events. IMS members will apply for Reciprocal Member status directly with AMOS, and AMOS will handle all aspects of the application and annual renewal process. Members of IMS will be asked to provide their IMS membership number (or other appropriate identification) that can be confirmed with IMS at the discretion of AMOS.

### **5. Member Publications**

Each issue of the *Bulletin of the Indian Meteorological Society (Vayumandal)* will be made available to the AMOS membership via the AMOS Executive Officer. Each issue of the *Bulletin of the Australian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society* will be made available to the IMS membership via the IMS Executive Director.

**6. Careers and Employment in Meteorology and Oceanography:**

Career and employment opportunities publicized on the AMOS website will be promoted to the IMS membership, including on the IMS website. Career and Employment opportunities publicized on the IMS website will be promoted to the AMOS membership, including on the AMOS website.

**7. Financial obligations**

Neither society will have any financial obligation to the other. For any joint program or activity that carries with it requirement for financial considerations the two societies will execute a separate MoU for that activity.

**8. Terms of Agreement**

This agreement expires five years after the date it is executed but can be renewed for additional five-year terms through a letter signed by appropriate representatives of IMS and AMOS stating the intention to extend the agreement. The agreement can be terminated by either party in writing at any time upon thirty (30) days notice.

For AMOS



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Date: **9 December 2019**

Title: **President, Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society**

For IMS



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