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## MFI, STERELA AND MOWRAM SIGN LETTER OF INTENT FOR AN INTEGRATED PROGRAM FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF METEOROLOGY IN CAMBODIA

Meteo France International (MFI) and Sterela and have signed a Letter of Intent with the MOWRAM (Cambodian Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology) as part of a project aimed at modernizing water management and meteorological infrastructure and services.



*Signing of a letter of intent by H.E. Chann Sinath, Secretary of State of MOWRAM, in the presence of STERELA and Meteo France International, on October 2, 2024.*

**On October 2, 2024, in Toulouse,** a significant step was taken toward enhancing Cambodia's meteorological infrastructure and service capacity. The Secretary of State of the Cambodian Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology (MoWRaM), H.E. Chann Sinath, joined forces with Robert Bousquet, President of Sterela, and Patrick Benichou President of Meteo France International (MFI), in the formal signing of a Letter of Intent (LoI).

This partnership outlines a strategic collaboration to modernize Cambodia's meteorological services and improve early warning systems for extreme weather conditions, supporting national resilience against climate change. The LoI aims to implement cutting-edge meteorological technology, enhance data collection, increase Cambodia's capacity to respond to natural disasters, and develop tailored services to weather and climate sensitive stakeholders and economic sectors.



*Visit of the STERELA production facility in Auterive (31) on October 2, 2024.*

As part of this agreement, **Sterela will provide a complete range of meteorological and hydrological observation equipment**, ensuring that Cambodia has the best tools available for weather monitoring and early detection of extreme climate events. Furthermore, **MFI will deliver all necessary elements for the integration and operation of these observation systems within a new dedicated Information System to be hosted by the MoWRaM Data Centre**, allowing for efficient data processing and ultimately socio-economic benefits for Cambodia. The modernization program will pave the way to full compliance with the UN “Early warnings for All” initiative, to tailored services to Aviation, Marine, Defense and Agriculture.



*Demonstration of the data processing software by MFI on October 2, 2024.*

Both Toulouse-based companies **expect the project to begin as early as 2025** signaling their commitment to rapidly advancing Cambodia's meteorological capacity.

Through the expertise of MFI and Sterela, this initiative will ensure that Cambodia aligns with international standards in meteorology, contributing to its sustainable development goals. The





modernization of MoWRaM will enable the country to better protect its population, infrastructure, and economy from the increasing impacts of climate change.

The collaboration is expected to yield immediate results, with visible improvements as early as the first year of implementation. This strategic partnership will also support knowledge transfer and capacity building within Cambodia's meteorological institutions, strengthening the nation's long-term resilience.

## **About MFI, STERELA and MOWRAM**

### **Meteo France International (MFI) :**

Meteo France International (MFI) is a subsidiary of Météo-France, the French national meteorological service. MFI is dedicated to supporting the modernization of national meteorological services worldwide, providing turnkey solutions that integrate cutting-edge meteorological technologies with national infrastructure. With operations in over 115 countries, MFI offers complete solutions, from design to long-term technical support, helping countries enhance their climate resilience and comply with international standards set by the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) and the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO).

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### **Sterela :**

Sterela is a French company based in Toulouse, specializing in advanced technological solutions, including meteorological and hydrological observation systems. With over 40 years of expertise, Sterela has developed innovative turnkey solutions that include automatic weather stations, data collection platforms, and interface systems with existing meteorological infrastructure. The company has supplied more than 1,800 systems in 35 countries, helping to provide high-quality data for public and private sectors. This information contributes to the safety of goods and people, and is used in multiple sectors such as industry, agriculture, aviation and civil protection.

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### **MoWRaM (Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology, Cambodia) :**

MoWRaM is the Cambodian government entity responsible for managing the country's water resources and meteorological services. The ministry plays a critical role in climate monitoring, weather forecasting, and disaster management. With Cambodia highly vulnerable to extreme weather events and the impacts of climate change, MoWRaM's mission is to modernize its systems to provide timely, reliable information that can protect lives, infrastructure, and the economy. The ministry works closely with international partners to ensure its services align with global standards for meteorological and hydrological management.

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