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**Subject: Invitation to participate as an expert in the VITO Strategic Advisory Council (6-7 December 2022) on Climate Services**

Dear Dr. André Kamga Foamouhoue,

VITO wishes to appeal to internationally renowned experts with a broad scientific, societal and/or industrial vision for steering its strategic research in the best possible manner. Therefore a "Strategic Advisory Committee" (SAC) was established consisting of five permanent core members as well as a number of additional international experts, who are chosen on the basis of their broad strategic vision and their expertise in the fields that are dealt with during a particular session of the committee. More details on the working of the SAC can be found in annex.

The next meeting is planned for December 6-7, 2022 and will be devoted entirely to VITO's activities in the field of 'Climate Services'. This meeting will be organised live in Belgium, the exact location still to be decided. It would be preceded on Monday evening December 5 by a welcome dinner. On the first meeting day, VITO's Climate Services and proposed strategy will be discussed. The first half of the next day is used for formulating recommendations. The SAC-meeting ends with a lunch at 1 pm.

The management of VITO would highly appreciate if you could accept to be one of the international members for this SAC session. You would be asked to make recommendations regarding the proposed strategic research in the field of "Climate Services".

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Some communication materials on our present activities, and especially in 'Climate Services', can be found on our website (<https://vito.be/en/climate-services>). Preparatory documents will be available for all SAC members in due time. An allowance is foreseen for participating to the committee and all travel and accommodation costs will of course be reimbursed.

Could you please confirm if you would be interested to accept this commission and are able to fit the proposed dates for the meeting in your agenda?

You can of course contact me if you wish to have any additional information about the topics in the VITO Climate Services research or Karen Vercammen (in Cc) about the organisational aspects of this meeting.

Best Regards,

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*Annex(s): Description of VITO's STRATEGIC ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)*

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