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Session 2	Role of UN and international agencies in achievement of UN SDGs in Cambodia
Title of presentation	WMO's support to Cambodia in implementing the EW4ALL initiative
	<p>Ben Churchill Director, Regional Office for Asia and the South-West Pacific, World Meteorological Organization</p> <p>Ben Churchill is a strategic and inclusive leader with over 30 years of experience developing and implementing transformative initiatives, policies, programs and projects. Ben is an effective enabler of synergistic relationships and collaborative mechanisms that help achieve sustainable development.</p> <p>As a regional director with WMO since 2020, Ben is focused on delivering better climate, weather, water and environmental services across the Asia Pacific region to help build more resilient communities and reduce the impact of extreme climate and weather on lives and property, particularly for the most vulnerable. This work is critical in the context of the most disaster-prone region in the world.</p> <p>Ben collaborates with other regional pillar leads (i.e. UNDRR, ITU, IFRC and ESCAP), development partners and WMO Members to implement the Early Warnings for All initiative in the region as a proven and cost effective climate adaptation measure.</p> <p>Under Ben's direction, WMO is working harder than ever to close the capacity gap between developed and developing countries in relation to climate, weather and water services in the Asia Pacific. This is being achieved by prioritizing and scaling up efforts to support Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDS).</p>