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Chair's Report WG-PICTs

3.1 Chair's Report – Progress of recommendations of the WG-PICT from the 29th Session of the ICG/PTWS

29 th Session	Update
Continue the WG-PICT with updated TOR and newly elected office bearers	To be considered
Continue WG-PICT Task Team Capacity Development with updated TOR and recommendations.	Ref. Report of the TT Capacity Development AGENDA ITEM 4.2
Recognize and Support WG 2 Task Team Seismic Data Sharing in Southwest Pacific recommendations.	Ref. Report of the WG-2 Task Team Seismic Data Sharing in Southwest Pacific AGENDA ITEM 4.1
Ensure support towards ORSNET continuing operations.	Ref. Report of the WG-2 Task Team Seismic Data Sharing in Southwest Pacific AGENDA ITEM 4.1
Continuous bilateral and multilateral support for Tsunami Ready Programme, TEMPP and MHEW through Development Partners and Donors.	Ref. Partnerships and Opportunities AGENDA ITEM 6
Encourage SPC to seek additional funding for improved coastal bathymetry acquisition (LIDAR) and build regional resources for modelling and support toward TEMPP.	Extended acquisition in VU, TO, PW (JP/UNDP), CK (MFAT)
Encourage the ICG/PTWS to develop a template to conduct Hot Wash/Debrief after a significant event efficiently.	Template to be developed and circulated by UNESCO-IOC for comment. WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?
Consider ITIC to be a member of WG-PICT. ICG/PTWS-WG-PICTS-VIII/3 page 17	Approved by ICG. ITIC represented at 9 th WG-PICTs
Encourage in-country collaboration (private and public partnership) for building tsunami community resiliency	Ref. Partnerships and Opportunities AGENDA ITEM 6

CURRENT	Updates	COMPLETED Y/N
(i) To continually review and evaluate capabilities of, and evaluate capabilities of, and make recommendations for improvements to countries in the Pacific Islands and Territories (PICT) Region for providing end-to-end tsunami warning and mitigation services within the multi-hazard framework.	2020 Online Survey	
(ii) To support the involvement and contribution of PICT in the activities of the ICG/PTWS.	Objective 1 of Regional PICT PacWave22	
(iii) To promote and facilitate the tsunami hazard and risk studies in the PICT region.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunga inundation report and papers published 	
(iv) To facilitate cooperation in the establishment and upgrading of earthquake and tsunami monitoring networks in the region and the interoperability of these systems in accordance with ICG/PTWS requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ORSNET expanded network by project • NZ Dart deployed 	
(v) To facilitate training and capacity building in the end-to-end tsunami warning and mitigation system in the region.		
(vi) To encourage the sharing of tsunami information, including but not limited to the free and open exchange of data.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hunga inundation data shared by ITIC • Objective 1 of Regional PICT PacWave22 	
(vii) To facilitate tsunami awareness in school curricula, and development and dissemination of public educational materials		
(viii) To work in cooperation with PTWS Working Group 1, 2, & 3 and relevant task teams, especially on activities that strengthen country capacity in tsunami warning, risk mitigation & emergency response. Support the implementation of Tsunami priorities under the UN Decade. Members composed of representatives from Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs), Council of Regional Organizations in the Pacific (CROP) Agency, International Tsunami Information Center (ITIC) and WMO, Chain of Wave Chain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration between Government of Tonga, SPC, ITIC, UNESCO-IOC to coordinate and provide technical advice and support post HTHH • ORSNET support through SPC 	