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**DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

1. **OPENING**
   1. Objectives of the Intergovernmental Panel on Harmful Algal Blooms
   2. Decisions taken by the IOC Assembly
2. **ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

2.1 Adoption of the Agenda

2.2 Designation of Rapporteur

1. **SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF THE IOC HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOM PROGRAMME, THE IPHAB STRATEGY AND FAO HAB ACTIVITIES**

3.1 Summary description of the IOC HAB Programme and IPHAB Strategy

3.2 FAO HAB Activities

1. **DEVELOPMENTS IN THE INTERSESSIONAL PERIOD**

4.1 Chair IPHAB and Technical Secretary's Summary Report

4.2 HAB Capacity Building

4.3 ICES-IOC WGHABD

4.4 ICES-IOC-IMO WGBOSV

4.5 Regional HAB Working Groups

4.5.1. IOC/WESTPAC-Toxic Marine Organism

4.5.2. IOC/IOCARIBE-ANCA

4.5.3. IOC/WESTPAC-HAB

4.5.4. FANSA

4.5.5. HANA

4.6 Harmful Algae News

4.7 IPHAB XV Task Teams

4.7.1. Task Team on the early detection, warning and forecasting of harmful algal events

4.7.2. Task Team on the development of the Harmful Algal Information System (HAIS) and the Global HAB Status Report (GHSR).

4.7.3. Task Team on a Global Inter-Agency Ciguatera Strategy for Improved Research and Management

4.7.4. Task Team on Harmful Algae and Desalination of Seawater

4.7.5. Task Team on Biotoxin Monitoring, Management and Regulations

4.7.6. Task Team on Algal Taxonomy

4.7.7. Task Team on Fish Killing Microalgae and Ecosystem Effects

4.8 GlobalHAB

4.8.1. GlobalHAB Guidelines for the study of climate change effects on HABs

4.8.2. GlobalHAB/Euromarine workshop on modelling and prediction of HABS

4.8.3. Global Advances in Molecular Approaches to HAB Studies

4.9 IPHAB and the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development

4.10 Other Activities

4.10.1. ISSHA and the ICHA

**5. REVIEW AND FINALIZATION OF DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS   
AND DECISIONS OF IPHAB-XVI**

**6. WORKPLAN 2024–2025 INCLUDING OVERVIEW OF RESOURCES AND NEEDS**

**7. OPERATION OF THE IPHAB**

**8. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

**9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**10. ADOPTION OF EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**11. CLOSURE**