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**Subject: NEW DATES – Eleventh Meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region (ICG/PTWS-WG/SCS-XI), Guangzhou, China, 25–27 September 2023**

The Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS) was established by the IOC in 1965 as a cooperation mechanism for countries in the Pacific whose coastal areas were threatened by tsunamis. Through the ICG, Member States designed and developed the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System and have been working together since to improve and sustain it. At its 29th session on 1–2 and 7–8 December 2021, the ICG/PTWS decided to continue the Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region under the leadership of Mr Dakui Wang (China) and Ms Suci Anugrah (Indonesia).

In this context, I am pleased to inform you that the eleventh meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region (ICG/PTWS-WG/SCS-XI) will be hosted by the National Marine Environmental Forecasting Center (NMEFC) in Guangzhou, China from 25 to 27 September 2023.

Please register to this meeting by communicating: full name, gender, nationality, affiliation, email address and position of each of your representative(s) by email to Mr Bernardo Aliaga, ICG/PTWS Technical Secretary ([b.aliaga@unesco.org](mailto:b.aliaga@unesco.org)), with copy to Mr Jianyu Shi of NMEFC ([shijy@nmefc.cn](mailto:shijy@nmefc.cn)), by 11 August 2023 at the latest.

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The Provisional Agenda of the meeting and information note enclosed hereafter have been prepared by the Chairperson of the working group in coordination with the Secretariat.

Information for the meeting, including documentation and presentations as well as the list of participants, will be made available at the meeting webpage: <https://oceanexpert.org/event/2636>.

**Accommodation:** Zhejiang Mansion Fuchun Hotel (Guangzhou) has rooms at negotiated rate for the participants at RMB 380 (USD 55). To book at this hotel, please contact:

Jianwen Peng  
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Zhejiang Mansion Fuchun Hotel (Guangzhou)  
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**Transportation:** There is one airport in Guangzhou, named Guangzhou Baiyun International Airport. A free hotel shuttle service for the participants will be provided by NMEFC. To benefit from this service, you will have to send your flight number and itinerary to Mr Jianyu Shi ([shijy@nmefc.cn](mailto:shijy@nmefc.cn)). In addition, a free daily shuttle between the hotel and the meeting venue will be provided.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,

*[signed]*

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Executive Secretary

Enclosures (2): 1/ Provisional Agenda – Appendix 1  
2/ Information Note for participants – Appendix 2

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**Eleventh Meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami  
Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region,  
Guangzhou, China, 25–27 September 2023**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

- 1. WELCOME AND OPENING**
- 2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION**
  - 2.1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
  - 2.2. DESIGNATION OF REPPORTEUR
  - 2.3. CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION
- 3. REVIEW OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS ARISING FROM ICG/PTWS WG-SCS-X MEETING AND ICG/PTWS XXX SESSION**
- 4. REPORTS**
  - 4.1. NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS
  - 4.2. REPORT FROM SCSTAC
  - 4.3. REPORT FROM SCS WG TASK TEAM ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND SERVICES
- 5. SEISMIC AND SEA LEVEL CORE STATIONS IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA REGION FOR FURTHER ENHANCING TSUNAMI WARNING CAPABILITY**
- 6. TRIAL AND FULL OPERATION OF THE BACKUP SOUTH CHINA SEA TSUNAMI ADVISORY CENTER (HONG KONG)**
- 7. PROGRESS OF THE TSUNAMI DECISION SUPPORTING SYSTEM AT SCSTAC**
- 8. RESPONSE REVIEW OF 2022 TONGA VOLCANIC TSUNAMI**
- 9. UN DECADE OF OCEAN SCIENCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**
- 10. REVIEW AND PLAN OF THE SCSTAC INTERNATIONAL STAFF PROGRAMME**
- 11. NEXT MEETING**
- 12. ANY OTHER BUSINESSES**
- 13. SUMMARY OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS**
- 14. CLOSE OF MEETING**

## INFORMATION NOTE FOR PARTICIPANTS

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of National Marine Environmental Forecasting Center of China (NMEFC), we warmly welcome you to Guangzhou, China.

### 1. Meeting Venue and Accommodation

The 11th meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group will be held at Zhejiang Mansion Fuchun Hotel (Guangzhou), (<http://hotel.rodanj.cn/28760/>) from September 25 to September 27.

**Address:** No. 85, Xianlie Middle Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou City, Guangdong Province, China

**Introduction:** Guangzhou Zhejiang Hotel is a four-star standard tourist hotel directly invested by the People's Government of Zhejiang Province. Opened in 1990. The building is located in Xianlie Middle Road, Yuexiu District, Guangzhou, adjacent to Huanghuagang Park and Guangzhou Zoo, occupying a prosperous territory, convenient transportation, opposite the bus terminal, to Guangzhou Railway Station, East Railway Station are within 10 minutes' drive, 40 minutes' drive from Baiyun International Airport. The upcoming Metro Line 6 passes through the front door, and the exit is just a stone's throw away.

### 2. Weather

The temperature in Guangzhou is normally around 25-35 °C during July. Thin T-shirts are fine.

### 3. Passport and Visa

A valid passport and enter visa is necessary for all persons entering China mainland. Visa can be obtained from the Chinese Embassy/Consulate in your respective countries. Official Invitation Letter issued by the State Oceanic Administration is necessary when you apply the enter visa. Please be sure to send the name, date of birth, gender, nationality, affiliation, email address and position of each representative(s) to Mr Jianyu Shi ([shijy@nmefc.cn](mailto:shijy@nmefc.cn)), so NMEFC can apply for the Invitation Letter from the SOA for the representatives in due time.

### 4. Time Zone

The Chinese Standard Time is UTC + 08:00.

### 5. Electricity

The standard electricity supply is usually 220 volts AC. The typical electric socket is as follows.



## 6. Contact Us

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