**FACT SHEET Task Team:**

**Pacific Island Countries and Territories Working Group Task Team on Information Sharing Platforms.**

**Interim Co-Chairs**: Anthony Jamelot (French Polynesia) and Jonathan Tafiariki (Solomon Islands) -February 2023

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| **Pacific Island Countries and Territories Working Group Task Team on Information Sharing Platforms.**  Following the PICT regional pacwave22 exercise objective 2, in order to continue and follow recommendations from WG-PICT meeting on 3rd February. 2023, an interim Task Team has been built in order to organize and think about direct informal exchange in a tsunami warning context between PICT members and especially the South-West Pacific Region.  During the 2022 PacWave Regional Exercise three alternative direct communication modes where tested:  - HF radio  - E-mail Listserv from ITIC  - Social network – using a dedicated WhatsApp Group  The main objective of this task-team is to provide guidelines and recommendations for a direct informal exchange of tsunami information between NTWC and NDMO from PICT member in order to test it again for the next PacWAve 2024.  The Task team deadline could be after PacWave 2024.  Terms of Reference:   1. Propose a WG-PICT regional PacWave24 objective; 2. Based on Pacwave22 report, re-evaluate early /anticipatory information to be shared between NTWC and NDMO and which platform would be more adapted for each kind of information. 3. WhatsApp Guidelines;   - Maintain the mobile contact list up to date in order to keep the PacWave22 group alive;  - Obtain official mobile numbers of NTWC and NDMO (handle by IOC/UNESCO Secretariat)  - guideline for messages sent on WhatsApp   1. HF- Radio Guidelines :   - Fecth feedbacks from monthly test and recommend preliminary guidelines.  - Membership of the task team is open to any technical communication expert on this platform   1. Email Listerv Guidelines :   - guideline for messages shared by email (no acknowledgement , etc)  - Update and add new e-mail into the Pacwave22 listserv handled by ITIC   1. Identify and list new and relevant platform for Information Sharing   - Other social media (Signal, …)  - Mobile App Broadcast system  - Dedicated (private) broadcasting information web-page.  Composition:  The Group to be comprised of representatives from Pacific Island Countries and Territories (PICTs) and ITIC as members, Council of Regional Organizations in the Pacific (CROP) Agencies and WMO Regional Association V (RAV) as observers with Chair and Vice Chair to be elected by the members of the Working Group and endorsed by the ICG/PTWS. |
| Membership:     1. Anthony Jamelot (France - French Polynesia) 2. Jonathan Tafiariki (Solomon Islands) 3. Mr 'Ofa FA'ANUNU (Tonga) 4. Celine BARRE (France – New-Caledonia) 5. Bill FRY (New Zealand) 6. Robert Greenwood (Australia) 7. Saula Mule (Fiji) 8. Laura Kong (ITIC) 9. Elizabeth Abbott (GeoNet) 10. … Membership is open ... |
| The following applies for all working groups:  Languages: English, Spanish and French  Meetings: Meet intersessionally.  Coordinator and Elections: Follow the rules of procedures applying to IOC Subsidiary Bodies. Chair and at least one vice chair who will be elected either by the ICG/PTWS or the members of the working group for two years with possible re-election of one term in the same position.  Members and appointment: Nominated by member states in accordance with the rules of procedures applying to IOC Subsidiary bodies. Technical experts can be invited at the discretion of the Chair.  Calendar of Intersessional work should be determined by the working group at the working group meeting and included in the report.  Duration of the WG: Two years.  Reports: A final report has to be submitted two months before the parent body meeting and for each working group meeting within the two following months.  Financial resources: At national expense.  Amendments: As warranted by the working groups. |
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