**FACT SHEET Working Group 2 Task Team on:**

**Seismic Data Sharing in the South West Pacific**

**Chair:** Mr Rennie Vaiomounga (Tonga) (April 2019-

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| Terms of Reference:   1. Advocate seismic data sharing in the region. 2. Advise South West Pacific countries on data sharing protocols, techniques and technologies. 3. Work with South West Pacific Countries and donors to ensure a common data sharing policy. 4. Encourage South West Pacific Countries with existing or planned broadband seismograph stations to join the International Federation of Digital Seismograph Networks (FDSN), use the standards developed by the FDSN for data exchange and take advantage of the data archiving provided by the FDSN   Members are representatives of South Pacific Countries and territories (Australia, Fiji, France– French Polynesia, France-New Caledonia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu), PTWC, NWPTAC, Japan, and United States. Co-chairs to be elected by the ICG. |
| Membership:  No specific additional membership decided by PTWS. First meeting (Port Vila, Vanuatu, Oct 2009 attended by representatives from Geosciences Australia, IRIS, CTBTO, NIED, PTWC, SOPAC, China Earthquake Administration, IRD, ITIC, Fiji, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu.  The second meeting in Wellington in March 2011 was attended by representatives of Australia, Canada, Fiji, Japan, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tonga, Vanuatu and invited experts from CTBTO, IRIS and PTWC.  The third meeting in Port Vila, Vanuatu, on 26-27 May 2014, was attended by representatives of Fiji, French Polynesia, New Caledonia, Samoa, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu, plus representatives from Australia, New Zealand, CTBTO, ITIC and IRIS. A representative from JICA also attended the meeting.  The IOC 27th Assembly noted that Members to be nominated by South Pacific Countries and territories (Australia, Fiji, France–French Polynesia, France-New Caledonia, Kiribati, New Zealand, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Vanuatu), PTWC, USA |
| The following applies to all Task Teams:  Languages: English, Spanish and French  Meetings: Meet intersessionally.  Coordinator and Elections: Follow the rules of procedures applying to IOC Subsidiary Bodies. Chair who will be elected either by the ICG/PTWS or the members of the Task Team for two years with possible reelection 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.  Calendar of Intersessional work should be determined by the Task Team and included in the report.  Duration of the Task Team: Two years.  Reports: A final report has to be submitted two months before the parent body meeting and for each Task Team meeting within the two following months.  Financial resources: At national expense.  Amendments: As warranted by the Task Team. |
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