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WG3 Terms of Reference & Actions

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WG3 Tsunami Ready Implementation TORs



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Liaise with other working group(s) and task team(s) within the ICG/IOTWMS and with working groups from the other ocean basins through the TOWS-WG to:

1. Monitor and evaluate the implementation Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme, National Warning Chains, and related activities to deliver tsunami resilient and prepared communities for the Indian Ocean
2. Provide guidance on tsunami hazard and risk assessment, including for tsunamis generated by non-seismic and complex sources.
3. Provide guidance to Member States on reviewing and enhancing national tsunami warning chains.
4. Provide guidance on how to nationally initiate IOC-UNESCO Tsunami Ready Recognition Programme (TRRP) and similar initiatives
5. Facilitate sharing of experiences between Member State Tsunami Ready Focal Points (TRFPs)
6. Update Member States on IOC-UNESCO TRRP developments and other related initiatives
7. Develop exercise tools and coordinate implementation of IOWAVE Exercises and other drills as required
8. In collaboration with IOC-UNESCO IOTIC and IOC-UNESCO Secretariat for ICG/IOTWMS, identify capacity development and resource needs of Member States to implement TRRP, national tsunami warning chains, and related activities
9. Assist with training programmes of Member States implemented by IOC-UNESCO IOTIC and coordinated by IOC-UNESCO ICG/IOTWMS Secretariat to facilitate enhanced national tsunami warning chains and at-risk communities becoming resilient and prepared for tsunamis

ICG/IOTWMS-XIII Requests relevant to WG3



1. Address the recommendations of the 2018 Capacity Assessment of Tsunami Preparedness in the Indian Ocean; **OPEN ONGOING SECRETARIAT PRESENTS AT EACH MEETING FOR FACTORING IN TO WORK PLANS**
2. Follow up the recommendations contained in the IOWave20 Exercise Report; **OPEN ONGOING SECRETARIAT PRESENTS AT EACH MEETING FOR FACTORING IN TO WORK PLANS**
3. Provide guidance on tsunami hazard and risk assessment, including for tsunamis generated by non-seismic and complex sources in collaboration with Working Group 1; **OPEN**
4. Develop guidelines on how to nationally initiate IOC-UNESCO TRRP and similar initiatives; **OPEN**
5. Facilitate coordination and sharing of experiences between Member States on implementation of IOC-UNESCO TRRP through the Member State Tsunami Ready Focal Points (TRFPs); **OPEN TRFP nominations so far from about nine Member States. Secretariat to follow-up with other Member States**
6. Assist Working Group 1 and IOTIC with the sharing and development of community awareness materials, including for tsunamis generated by non-seismic and complex sources; **OPEN**

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7. Collaborate with IOTIC to update Member States on IOC-UNESCO TRRP developments and other related initiatives; **OPEN**
8. Collaborate with IOTIC and Secretariat for ICG/IOTWMS to identify capacity development and resource needs of Member States for implementing IOC-UNESCO TRRP; **OPEN 2024 IOTWMS Capacity Assessment Project in collaboration with UNESCAP and funded by ADB and Switzerland has commenced. Survey questions being reviewed and updated (only where absolutely necessary due tight timeframes to complete project) and to distributed in March. Need decide which 2-3 countries may need assistance completing the surveys by survey teams**
9. Support IOC-UNESCO Secretariat for the ICG/IOTWMS and IOC-UNESCO IOTIC conduct two training workshops on Standard Operating Procedures, including national warning chain development, in the intersessional period in first half of 2023 and before IOWAVE23, subject to the availability of funding, with one to be conducted in the western region of the Indian Ocean and the other to be conducted in the eastern region of the Indian Ocean. **CLOSED Two Preparatory Meetings and three SOP workshops (WIO, EIO, NWIO) all completed in hybrid form.**



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