

Terms of Reference of the ICG/NEAMTWS Steering Committee

Mandate

The Steering Committee shall coordinate and integrate the work of ICG/NEAMTWS in the intersessional periods, as implemented through the various Working Groups and Task Teams, including but not limited to:

- i. Monitor performance and interoperability of the NEAMTWS and report to ICG/NEAMTWS;
- ii. Implement decisions and recommendations of the ICG and provide strategic advice on the implementation of the NEAMTWS;
- iii. Identify relevant funding sources taking account of the resource implications of approved activities;
- iv. Facilitate implementation at the level of the ICG of relevant resolutions, decisions and recommendations of the IOC governing bodies;
- v. Evaluate the feasibility of implementation of the recommendations of the Working Group on Tsunamis and Other Hazards related to Sea-Level Warning and Mitigation Systems (TOWS-WG) in NEAMTWS;
- vi. Develop and maintain the NEAMTWS Implementation Plan and Interim Operations Users Guide;
- vii. Examine continuing compliance of Tsunami Service Providers (TSPs) with the adopted operational and organizational function and requirements;
- viii. Implement the procedures as adopted and the Terms of References (ToRs) for the accreditation of Candidate Tsunami Service Providers (CTSPs);
- ix. Nominate accreditation teams, foster the accreditation process during the coming year;
- x. Liaise with the Steering Committees of equivalent structures of other ICGs;
- xi. Consider the potential re-organization of Working Groups and Task Teams structure;
- xii. Promote increased awareness of NEAMTWS.

Modus operandi

The Steering Committee will mainly work by correspondence, but hold a coordination meeting prior to each ICG session. Other meetings will be held as needed.

Membership

- The ICG/NEAMTWS Officers (Chairperson and two Vice-Chairpersons);

- The Co-Chairpersons of ICG/NEAMTWS Working Groups and Task Teams;
- Representatives of TSPs
- Representatives to TOWS Task Team on Disaster Management and Preparedness (TT-DMP) and Task Team on Tsunami Watch Operations (TT-TWO)
- Members of the Ocean Decade Tsunami Programme: Scientific Committee and Tsunami Coalition

The Secretariat for the ICG/NEAMTWS shall :

- i. Support meetings of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group;
- ii. Facilitate the liaison among the various national contact points and national tsunami warning centres;
- iii. Maintain a current list of operational national contact points and facilities and make it available on request to all Member States;
- iv. Organize the liaison of the ICG/NEAMTWS with the PTWC and with other tsunami warning centres to facilitate best practices in tsunami warning;
- v. Initiate and support, in consultation with ITIC, training activities and enhance and enrich warning in the north-eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean and connected seas.

NB: - Above is not Programme Specialist/ Technical Secretary ToR or in accordance to Job Description Contract