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**6th SESSION
GROUP OF EXPERTS ON
CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT
(GE-CD-VI)**

Item 2.1

Summary of the GE-CD Sessions 1-5

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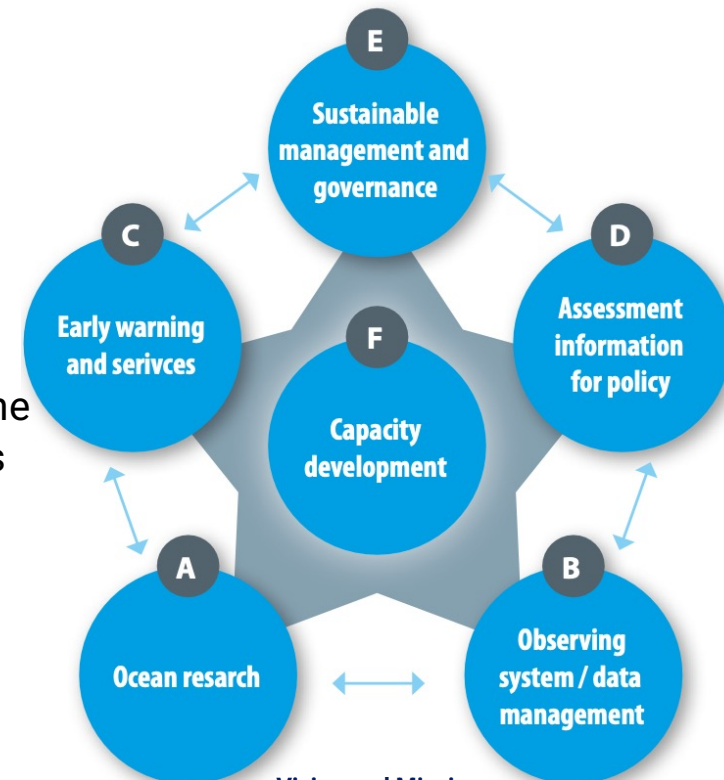
IOC Capacity Development

Objective :

Assist the IOC Member States, IOC global programmes and regional sub-commissions to deliver equitable and accessible capacity development as the primary catalyst through which IOC will achieve its five High-Level Objectives in the IOC Medium-Term Strategy 2022–2029

Key deliverables under IOC's purview:

- Methodology developed (IOC CD strategy) and used for delivering impactful capacity development relevant to the mandate of IOC and responding to priority needs identified by Member States
- Coherency, coordination and collaboration achieved between Member States in the provision of CD, avoiding duplication of effort and increasing efficiency and effectiveness
- All IOC Member States enabled to participate equitable in IOC programme activities

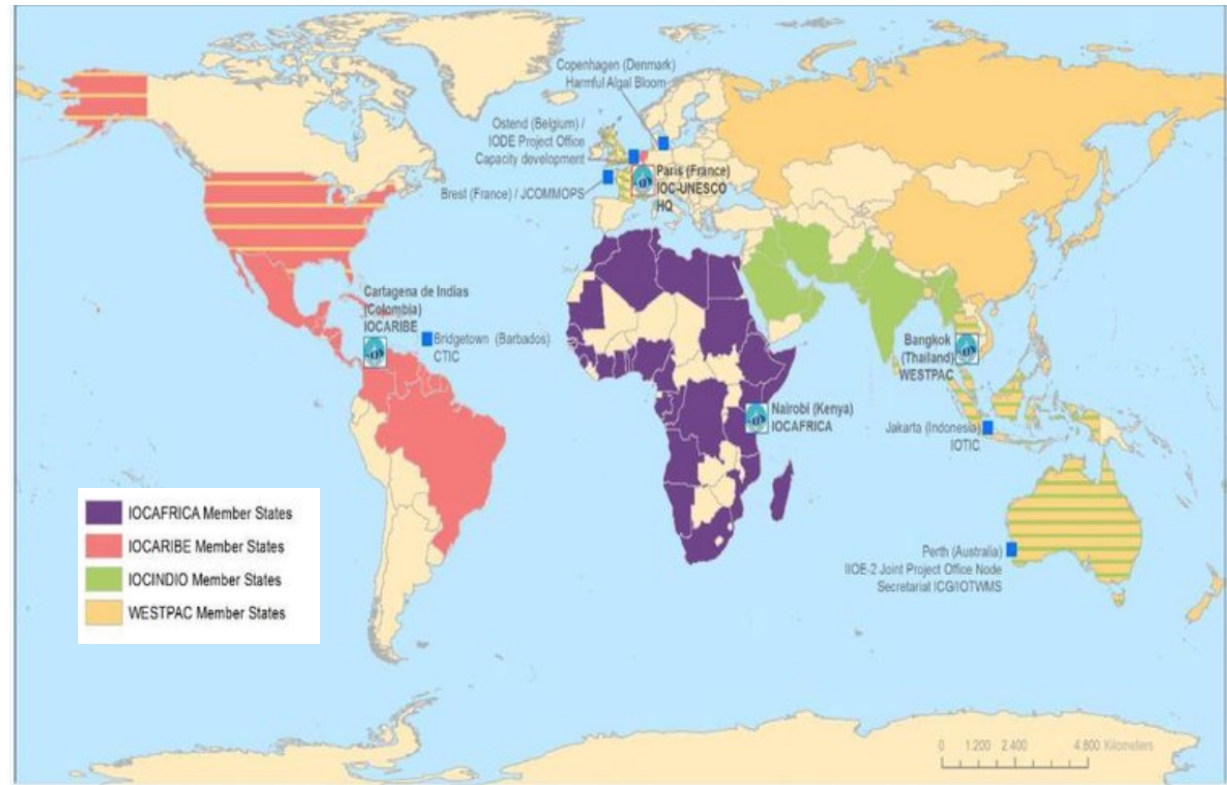


Vision and Mission:

*Through international cooperation, IOC will assist its Member States to collectively **achieve the IOC'S high-level objectives (HLOs)**, and in doing so support the delivery of the societal outcomes of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030), with particular attention **to ensuring that all Member States have the capacity to meet them***

Capacity Development through the IOC Regional Subsidiary Bodies (RSBs)

- IOC CD: **cross-cuts all other IOC functions**:
 - all functions adopt and deliver IOC CD Strategy as a key output
 - all RSBs adopt and deliver IOC CD Strategy as a key output
- **Regions are all different** and have varying CD needs and societal priorities
- Informed by **regional needs assessments and regional webinar series and consultations**
- RSBs are key in the successful delivery and implementation of a **cohesive and inclusive capacity development** in the regions
- 2024-2025: develop **regional workplans** and implementation plans in cooperation with RSBs that responds to the IOC capacity development strategy



IOC Group of Experts on Capacity Development



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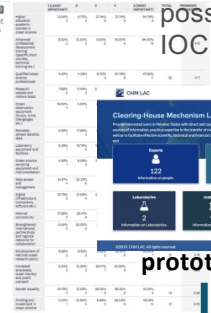
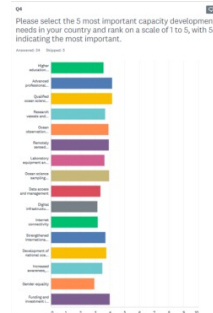
The main objectives of the Group of Experts are to assist the global and regional programmes with the implementation of capacity development (CD) needs assessments, the development of related work plans, mobilization of resources, and provide advice on relevant methods and tools to deliver CD.

The Group will also advise the Assembly on, and start implementation of, the Transfer of Marine Technology Clearing House Mechanism (CHM) as requested by the IOC Criteria and Guidelines on the Transfer of Marine Technology (IOC/INF-1203), making use, to the largest extent possible, of existing data and information systems already available at IOC.



Initial gap analysis

• CD Implementation report
• IOC GE- CD established



prototype

OIH + OTGA 2

GOSR 2020

IOC GE- CD Survey

Country	IOC Final Points					CD Final Points					Representation Capacity					Personal Capacity				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
CHALLENGE 1: Understand and map land and developed areas...	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
CHALLENGE 2: Understand the effects of mobility stresses on ecosystems...	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
CHALLENGE 3: Understand the effects of climate change on ecosystems...	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
CHALLENGE 4: Understand the effects of marine pollution on ecosystems...	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
CHALLENGE 5: Understand the effects of ocean acidification on ecosystems...	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00



GOSR 2022



2015: 28 Assembly

2017: 29 Assembly

2018: IOC GE- CD 1st meeting

2019: IOC GE- CD TT meeting

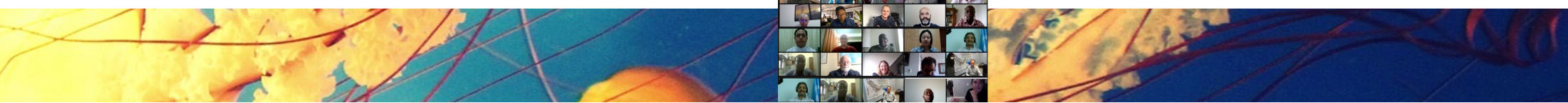
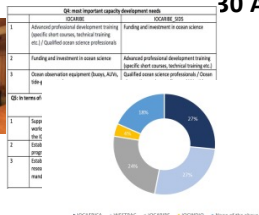
2020: RSB, IOC GE- CD 2nd meeting

2021: IOC GE- TT REVIEW OF CD STRATEGY, IOC GE- CD 3rd meeting

2022: IOC GE- CD WG ON REVISION OF CD STRATEGY: MEETINGS

2023: 32 Assembly, IOC GE- CD-IV

2024: TOR revision EC57 JUNE 2024, IOC GE- CD-V



Concrete examples of outcomes and outputs

- Detailed CD actions identified and implementation started in regional as well as global work plans, addressing the 6 outputs of the CD strategy
- OceanTeacher Global Academy (OTGA) further developed and reinforced across all IOC programmes
- Addressing the capacity development aspects of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, closely collaborating with the Decade CD Facility and Working Group 9 on CD of the Vision 2030 Process
- Biennial CD needs assessment survey to identify priority CD needs of MS and regions
- Ocean CD-Hub operationalized as an online search engine which helps individuals and organizations (e.g., early career professionals, managers, technicians, government officials, schoolteachers, etc.) search for capacity development opportunities (e.g., awards, fellowships, grants, Internships/Jobs, teaching materials, trainings, etc.) offered around the world
- OceanTraining Internships mechanism established to enhance global human capacity related to the IOC mandate



Ocean CD-Hub: oceancd.org

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IOC OCEAN TRAINING INTERNSHIPS 2024

Objectives:

- provide opportunities for hands-on learning and upskilling through a 3-month temporary assignment at a host institution with expertise in subject areas relevant to the IOC mandate
- contribute to building individual capacity and institutional capacity with a lasting impact on regional capacity

Apply by
23 JUNE 2024
23:59 CET

Website: <https://www.ioc-cd.org/>
E-mail: ioc.training@unesco.org

Intern applicants must:

- ✓ be at the early stages of career development
- ✓ be citizens from IOC Member States included in the DAC List of ODA
- ✓ be employed by government institutions
- ✓ work on relevant activities contributing to the implementation of work plans adopted by IOC Regional Sub-Commissions

Application requirements:

- ✓ A completed online application form
- ✓ A recommendation form from a supervisor at the intern's employing organization
- ✓ A choice of 1 from 6 host institutions on the list for the 2024 cohort
- ✓ Agreement to the terms of the internship programme (See Application Guidelines)



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**Item 2.2
Revised GE-CD Terms of Reference**

**Alan Evans
Chair IOC Group of Experts on Capacity Development 22 October
2024**

IOC Capacity Development Strategy 2023 -2030

IOC Decision A-32/Dec.4.3

- Adopted by the 32nd Assembly of the UNESCO-IOC
- Printed copies of the booklet are available in four languages: EN-FR-SP-RU

Fifth Session of the Group of Experts (IOC/GE-CD-V/3) identified additional required actions from the Group:

- development of an implementation plan
- alignment with the new Capacity Development elements of the Decade such as the Capacity Development Facility (CDF) and the White Paper on the Ocean Decade Challenge 9: “Skills, knowledge and technologies for all”
- the development of Ocean CD-Hub; and
- further outreach and promotion in support of the new Strategy.



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Revised GE-CD Terms of Reference (Dec. EC-57/4.6)



Terms of Reference IOC Group of Experts on Capacity Development (GE-CD)

The IOC Group of Experts on Capacity Development (GE-CD) is composed of experts nominated by IOC Member States responding to a call by circular letter detailing the GE-CD membership.

The IOC Group of Experts on Capacity Development (GE-CD) is responsible for the following tasks:

- (i) assist global and regional programmes with the implementation of capacity development needs assessments in a consistent manner;
- (ii) also assist global and regional programmes with the development of programmatic and regionally relevant capacity development work plans based on the IOC CD strategy and related needs assessments, building on ongoing activities and making use of existing training and education facilities;
- (iii) develop an implementation plan for the current IOC CD Strategy 2023-2030 for submission to the IOC Assembly at its 33rd Session in June 2025;
- (iv) provide advice to global and regional programmes on the implementation of the IOC Capacity Development Strategy 2023-2030 and on relevant methods and tools to improve the quality and impact of CD efforts;

Revised GE-CD Terms of Reference (Dec. EC-57/4.6) Cont'd



- v. advise the IOC CD Secretariat on the design and implementation of the biennial CD survey in close collaboration with the regions, possibly including CD implementation impact monitoring/metrics, also taking into account other methods such as regional reviews, science conferences etc.;
 - vi. ensure coordination of the work of the Group of Experts and its Task Teams with GOSR and CD aspects of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development, including the Capacity Development Facility and Working Group 9 of the Vision 2030;
 - vii. guide the further development and promotion of the Ocean CD-Hub by highlighting linkages of CD activities and collaboration opportunities between users and providers and among other global, regional and national organizations;
 - viii. provide advice to Member States on the promotion of visibility and reach of the IOC Capacity Development Strategy 2023-2030 to assist with the planning and implementation of their capacity development efforts;
 - ix. report results to the Assembly at its 33rd session.
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