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(of UNESCO)

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DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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[Rule of Procedure 8]

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[Rule of Procedure 25.4]

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[Rule of Procedure 11, Dec. EC-55/5.3, A-31/3.2]

3. IOC MATTERS AND REPORTS

3.1 STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRPERSON

[Rule of Procedure 8.1(a)]

3.2 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE WORK
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[Rule of Procedure 8.1(b) and (c) 8.1(g), 49.1]

3.3 REPORTS OF THE IOC SUB-COMMISSIONS

[Rule of Procedure 48.3]

**3.3.1 IOC Sub-Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States:
8th Session of IOCAFRICA, (TBC), 1–4 April 2025**

**3.3.2 IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific: 15th Session of WESTPAC,
Tokyo, Japan, 11–13 March 2025**

**3.3.3 IOC Sub-Commission for the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions:
18th Session of IOCARIBE, (TBC), (TBC)**

**3.3.4 IOC Sub-Commission for the Central Indian Ocean: 1st Session of
IOCINDIO, (TBC), United Arab Emirates, (TBC)**

3.4 REPORTS OF OTHER IOC SUBSIDIARY BODIES

[Rule of Procedure 48.3]

3.4.1 Warning and Mitigation Systems for Ocean Hazards

3.4.1.1 *Regional Early Warning Services*

3.4.1.2 *Global Coordination of Warning and Mitigation Systems for Ocean Hazards*

**3.4.2 International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange:
28th Session of IODE, Santa Marta, Colombia, 12–14 March 2025**

**3.4.3 IOC-FAO Intergovernmental Panel on Harmful Algal Blooms:
17th Session of IPHAB, FAO, UNESCO, 18–20 March 2025**

3.5 IOC REPORT TO THE 43rd GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO

[Statutes Art. 3.2; Rule of Procedure 49.2]

4. PROGRAMMATIC DEVELOPMENTS

4.1 DRAFT IOC-WIDE STRATEGY ON SUSTAINABLE OCEAN PLANNING
AND MANAGEMENT

[Dec. IOC-XXVI/8.2; A-32/Dec.4.7; EC-57/Dec.4.3]

4.2 DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE IOC CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT
STRATEGY 2023–2030

[Dec. A-31/3.5.3; Dec. IOC-XXIX/10.1. Dec. EC-57/4.6]

4.3 GENERAL BATHYMETRIC CHART OF THE OCEANS (GEBCO) – REPORT AND
FOLLOW UP ON THE GOVERNANCE REVIEW

[A-32/dec.4.1, EC-57/dec.4.4]

4.4 IOC OCEAN LITERACY ACTION PLAN AND STRATEGY

[Dec. IOC-XXX/11.2; Dec. A-31/3.5.4]

4.5 GLOBAL OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM

4.5.1 GOOS Governance

[Rule of Procedure 8.1(j); dec. EC-57/4.1]

4.5.2 GOOS Steering Committee Workplan

[Res. XXVI-8]

**4.5.3 Report of the Intersessional Working Group on Ocean Observations in
Areas under National Jurisdiction**

[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.4; Dec. A-32/4.8.2]

4.6 JOINT WMO-IOC COLLABORATIVE BOARD (JCB) STRATEGIC ADVICE ON JOINT
WORK TO ACHIEVE COMMON OBJECTIVES

[Res. XXX-2; dec. A-31/3.5.5; dec. A-32/4.9]

4.7 IOC CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNITED NATIONS GOVERNANCE PROCESSES

[Rule of Procedure 8.1(g)]

4.8 REPORT ON THE UNITED NATIONS OCEAN DECADE 2021–2030
IMPLEMENTATION PLAN AND RESULTS OF THE MID-TERM EVALUATION

[Dec. EC-XLIX/5; RES XXIX/1; Res EC-LI.1; Res. EC-57/1]

5. GOVERNANCE, PROGRAMMING AND BUDGETING

[Statutes Art. 6B]

5.1 DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2026–2029 (Draft 43 C/5, first biennium
2026–2027)

5.2 EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT OF IOC'S GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCESSES PROPOSAL
[Resolution EC-57/2]

5.3 IOC AND THE FUTURE OF THE OCEAN: CONSULTATION PROCESS
[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2.Doc(1); Res. XXX-3; Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2 ; Res. EC-57/2]

5.4 REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE
[Statutes Art. 1.2]

5.5 ELECTIONS OF THE OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSION AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
[Statutes Art. 6.B.5 and 7; Annex I to the Rules of Procedure]

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[Statutes, Art. C.7; Rule of procedure 19.2]

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