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To: Inter-ICG Task Teams Nominated Members of ICG/CARIBE-EWS, ICG/IOTWS, ICG/NEAMTWS and ICG/PTWS

Cc: Inter-ICG Task Teams Observers representing UNDRR, WMO, and JTF ITU/UNESCO/WMO on Smart Cable
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Head of IOC/TSR

Subject: Nominated Members and Chairs of the Inter-ICG Task Teams on Disaster Management and Preparedness and Tsunami Watch Operations, 2026-2027

It is with great pleasure that I am writing to confirm your nominations as members of the Inter-ICG Task Teams on Disaster Management and Preparedness and Tsunami Watch for the period 2026 – 2027 as below:

Nominated members of Task Team on Disaster Management & Preparedness

Nominated from CARIBE-EWS

- Ms Silvia Chacon (National Tsunami Monitoring System of Costa Rica SINAMOT, Costa Rica)
- Ms Alison Brome (Caribbean Tsunami Information Center CTIC)

Nominated from IOTWMS

- Ms Suci Dewi Anugrah (Indonesian Agency for Meteorology, Climatology and Geophysics, Indonesia)
- Mr Engin Koncagul (Chief of Science Unit & Representative for DRR, UNESCO Jakarta representing the Head, IOTIC)

Nominated from NEAMTWS

- Ms Elena Daskalaki (National Observatory of Athens, Greece)
- Mr Ignacio Aguirre (Environmental Hydraulics Institute, IH Cantabria, Spain)

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Nominated from PTWS

- Ms Ashleigh Fromont (National Emergency Management Agency, New Zealand)
- Ms Laura Kong (Director International Tsunami Information Centre, USA)

Observer UNDRR

- Ms Louise Xi Li (Head of Campaigns and Community, UNDRR)
- Ms Regina Khanbekova (Associate Communications Officer, Campaigns and Community, UNDRR)

Observer WMO

- Mr David Wyatt, Scientific Officer, Marine Services Section, WMO
- Mr Andrew Tupper, Chief of Early Warnings Services Section, WMO

Technical Secretary

- Mr Denis Chang Seng (UNESCO-IOC, HQ, France)

Nominated members of Task Team on Tsunami Watch Operations

Nominated from CARIBE-EWS

- Mr Charles McCreery (Pacific Tsunami Warning Center, USA)
- Mr Daniel McNamara (EarthScope Consortium, USA)

Nominated from IOTWMS

- Mr Jijavarapu Padmanabham (Indian National Center for Ocean Information Services, India)
- Mr Nasser Al Ismaili (General Directorate of Meteorology, Sultanate of Oman)

Nominated from NEAMTWS

- Mr Pascal Roudil (Atomic Energy and Alternative Energies Commission, France)
- Mr Stefano Lorito (National Institute of Geophysics and Volcanology, Italy)

Nominated from PTWS

- Mr Akira Okagaki (Japan Meteorological Agency, Japan)
- Mr Zongchen Wang (National Marine Environmental Forecasting Center, China)

Observer/s

- Mr Bruce Howe (ITU/WMO/UNESCO IOC Joint Task Force on SMART cables. Climate Monitoring and Disaster Warning, University of Hawaii, USA)
- Representative/s of World Organisation of Volcano Observatories (WOVO)

Technical Secretary

- Mr Srinivasa Kumar Tummala (UNESCO-IOC Office for the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System, Australia)

As established by [IOC/TOWS-WG-VI/3](#), Annex II: Terms of Reference of the Inter-ICG Task Team on Disaster Management and Preparedness and [IOC/TOWS-WG-X/3](#), Annex II (Appendix 1): Terms of Reference of the Inter-ICG Task Team on Tsunami Watch Operations, it is my pleasure to appoint as Chairs of the Task Teams the following nominated members:

Task Team on Disaster Management & Preparedness: Ms Ashleigh Fromont (National Emergency Management Agency, New Zealand)

Task Team on Tsunami Watch Operations: Mr Charles (Chip) McCreery (Pacific Tsunami Warning Center, USA).

Yours sincerely,


Yutaka Michida
IOC Chairperson