



## 17<sup>th</sup> GOOS Observations Coordination Group (OCG-17) Meeting

The **Seventeenth Global Ocean Observing System Observations Coordination Group Meeting (OCG-17)** will take place from **11 to 14 May 2026 in Valparaiso, Chile**. Graciously hosted by the Chilean Navy Hydrographic and Oceanographic Service (SHOA) .

The Observations Coordination Group meeting will take place over 4 days and include updates from the GOOS Reform process, the observing networks, and from actions across the OCG foci areas, towards setting a new vision and objectives for the OCG and 2026-2027 work. The meeting will include a dedicated session run by our hosts focused on Chile and regional ocean observing. This will provide opportunities for regional entities to engage and exchange with network experts.

### CALL IN INFORMATION

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88388100815>

### OBJECTIVES

- Outline where OCG wants to be in 2030 - considering GOOS Reform, existing and new lines of work/foci
- Preparing for the OceanOPS five-year Strategic Plan 2026-30, agree on OceanOPS WorkPlan
- Consider networks advances, issues and questions for GOOS OCG, including request from IOC Observation in areas under National Jurisdiction
- Assess development of emerging Observing Networks
- Adopt a set of GOOS Network metrics
- Adopt the GOOS minimum metadata passport across 17 GOOS networks
- Support connections between regional initiatives and GOOS network activities
- Review ambition and role for for best practices and the OBPS
- Enhance OCG-modelling community connections
- Consider approaches to cross network observing system design, using the WMO RRR
- Plan actions towards defining OCG 2.0
- Consider new areas of work through breakouts and review foci, OCG Exec team and workplan, including OCG 2.0

Please note that each OCG network is expected to provide a network report and a short presentation. **Network reports should be submitted by Monday April 20. 2026.**

## ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

- Identification of new lines or work/foci, with actions
- Identify approaches to cross-network design and role OCG
- GOOS minimum metadata 'passport' adopted across Networks
- OCG Workplan for 2026-2027
- Background for OceanOPS 2026-30 Strategic Plan and OceanOPS Workplan approved

## BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- Network report documents (Reports on this [link](#))
- Network presentations (should be uploaded before presenting submit [link](#))
- OceanOPS Report/Workplan, SLA, Budget, Strategic Plan ([link](#))
- WMO Statement of Guidance Summary for Ocean-Draft ([link](#))

Please make sure to check the outline agenda, and the detailed agenda for speakers and key questions that will be addressed. An emphasis has been placed on having time for discussion through breakout groups at this OCG meeting, and key discussion areas anticipated will be around OceanOPS strategic plan, data, requirements and cross network design, network metrics and BPs.

## LOGISTICS are [HERE](#)

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## MEETING ROLES

- Chairs:
  - Engage in and guide the discussion
  - Make sure questions are addressed and seek consensus
  - Summarise outcomes and actions
  - Keep agenda on track
- OCG Members: Actively participate in the discussion & decisions
- Observers and experts: Participate in discussion as relevant
- Notetakers: have to note decisions, actions and recommendations, placing these in a summary PPT at the end of the day (here), and also note/summarise key discussion points (AI will help but rapporteurs should identify key points raised)
- Online Support: Will be the interface for online participants, make sure questions and comments and discussions are seen/and or voiced

<b>Timetable Overview</b>					
<b>Time</b>	<b>Monday [May 11]</b>	<b>Tuesday [May 12]</b>	<b>Wednesday [May 13]</b>	<b>Thursday [May 14]</b>	
9:00 - 10:30	1. Opening (20 mins) 2. OCG Update (20 min) 3. IOC/GOOS Update and reform (50 min)	10a. Network Block A: Argo, Gliders, AniBOS (45 min)  10b. Network Block B: GO-SHIP, OceanSITES, XBT-SOOP (45 min)	14. Modelers/AI in ocean observations for enhancement impact (90 min)	16. Finalise Discussions - Set Actions and Priorities. Including breakout group reporting back (13) and reporting on regional engagement	
<b>Coffee break (10:30 - 11:00)</b>					
11:00 - 12:30	4. WMO Update (15 mins) 5. GOOS/OCG Comms & 2026 Status Report (30 min) 6. EOV Tool (45 min)	10c. Network Block C: DBCP Networks (45 mins)  10d. Network Block D: GLOSS, HF-Radar, VOS/ASAP (45 min)	10e. Network Block E: FVON, SmartCables, SOCONET, SUNFleet (60 min)  10K Ships + (30 min)	16(cont.). Finalise OCG-17 & next steps (90 min)	
<b>Lunch break (12:30 - 14:00)</b>					
14:00-15:30	7. OceanOPS Strategic Plan & Network SLAs (90 min)	11. OCG Data strategy (1hr) 12. Metrics/Maturity index (30min)	15a. Regional session (90 min) - plenary	OCG-18 and closing (60 min)	
<b>Coffee break (15:30-16:00)</b>					
16:00-17:30	8. Standards and Best Practices (30 min) 9. Vision 2030 Plenary (1hr)	13. Vision 2030 Breakouts (90 min)	15b. Regional session - tour (90 min)		
17:30 Start	<b>Group dinner</b>	<b>Swim &amp; a walk</b>			

# 17<sup>th</sup> Observation Coordination Group (OCG-17)

## Detailed Agenda

### DAY 1 - Monday 11 May 2026 | 09:00 - 17:30 (In local time UTC-3)

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*AM Chair: Juliet Hermes*

*Online Support: Ann-Christine Zinkann      Notetaker: Taihyun Kim*

#### 1. Opening | 09:00 - 09:20

Captain Carlos Zuñiga, Director SHOA and Vice Chair of IOC

Joanna Post - GOOS Director

Albert Fischer - WIGOS Director

Matias Sifon, SHOA

Juliet Hermes, OCG Co-Chair, SAEON

#### 2. OCG Update from the Chair | 09:20 - 09:40

**Aims:** Set stage for the meeting, including review OCG advances and achievements in the intersessional period, events and changing environment, importance of the OCG mission, outlook of Chairs and work ahead for the session.

2.1 Juliet Hermes ([Presentation](#))

#### 3. IOC/GOOS Update and Reform | 09:40 - 10:30

**Aims:** Introduce top level elements from IOC Medium Term Strategy and the outcomes from the GOOS Steering Committee regarding the GOOS Reform, particularly pertaining to OCG and its evolution to OCG 2.0 - reflections on what is in line with current OCG work and where larger gaps. With additional questions and input from the GOOS Expert Panels for the OCG. Reflections on key considerations for the OCG across the meeting and towards its workplan.

3.1 Joanna Post (remote) [20 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- OCG 2.0

**COFFEE BREAK (10:30 - 11:00)**

*Online Support: Mathieu Belbeoch*

*Notetaker: Taihyun Kim*

#### **4. Session 3: WMO Update | 11:00 - 11:15**

**Aims:** Introduce items from INFCOM Management group meeting, JCB and WMO new (draft) Strategic Plan (2028-2031) relevant to the OCG and its evolution. Reflect on how those priorities apply to OCG.

4.1 Albert Fischer/Champika Gallage [8 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *GBON requirements and contribution from OCG networks*
- *Network data centers willing to pilot WIS2.0 implementation*
- *Network visibility through WMO Measurement Standards (WMO-No.8)*
- *Impact of observations (Impact workshop Q4 2027)*

#### **5. Comms GOOS/OCG & 2026 Status Report (30 mins) | 11:15 - 11:45**

**Aims:** Overview of GOOS actions in communications and how they relate to communicating about networks and OCG work, including the GOOS Observing System Status Report 2026. Plus consideration of OCG communications tools: Status Report, GOOS Web site, OceanOPS Web Site, Specification Sheets, Case Studies.

5.1 Communications plan - Laura [8 mins] ([Presentation](#))

5.2 GOOS Status report - Ann / Emma [8 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *How can we better communicate our work and who are the audiences?*

#### **6. EOV View Tool | 11:45 - 12:30**

**Aims:** To look at an initial EOV view demonstrator from OceanOPS, and consider key questions around the purpose of the 'EOV views', their limitations and dependencies, and different audiences. There is general agreement that they should provide GOOS and 'others' with the ability to assess the observing system for adequacy, however should this be by application overall e.g. Global Basic Observing Network specification (GBON) or on the fly for many questions.

6.1 Input from OOPC/GCOS - Sabrina [short intervention 4 mins]

6.2 EOV Tool - Ann Christine Zinkann & Thomas Latter [8 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *What are the primary audiences?*
- *What would be our first pilots/examples?*
- *What is the role of AI?*
- *What needs to function better or be resolved before this is possible?*

## DECISION

Set up a EOV View Task Team to undertake the following:

### LUNCH BREAK (12:30 - 14:00)

**PM Chair: Emma Heslop**

*Online Support: Ann-Christine Zinkann      Notetaker: Champika Gallage*

## 7. OceanOPS 5-Year Strategic Plan & Network SLAs | 14:00 - 15:30

**Aims:** The session will cover the reporting out of OceanOPS on its activities across the intersessional period (in brief, with full report available, including financial), and outline the workplan for the 2026-2027 period with any questions for the networks and OCG. The Network Service Level Agreements for 2026-2027 will be reviewed. This session will then look ahead with a presentation on the process and progress for the new OceanOPS 5 Year Strategy, and enable an interactive discussion on OceanOPS future priorities based on questions prepared for the stakeholders interviews, consideration of the GOOS Reform, with next steps towards completion outlined for discussion and comment.

7.1 OceanOPS Report - Mathieu Belbeoch [15 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions [20 mins]:*

- TBD

7.2 Service Level Agreements - Ann-Cristine Zinkann/Mathieu Belbeoch [8 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions [7 mins]:*

- TBD

7.3 OceanOPS 5 Year Strategy - Interactive session on OceanOPS priorities - Mathieu Belbeoch/Emma Heslop [30 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions [5 min]:*

- Other questions for OceanOPS

## DECISION

- Background feedback for 5 Year Strategy
- OceanOPS Service Level Agreements and workplan adopted and available as a network resource

- Metadata Passport v1.0 approved [[www.ocean-ops.org/passports](http://www.ocean-ops.org/passports)]

## COFFEE BREAK (15:30 - 16:00)

### Session 8 Chair: Emma Heslop

Online Support: Ann-Christine Zinkann

Notetaker: Champika Gallage

### 8. Standards and Best Practices | 16:00 - 16:30

**Aims:** Present the updated GOOS endorsement process, including clarified definitions, governance, and OBPS integration, and agree on next steps to support submission, tracking, and uptake of best practices across networks.

8.1 Abed El Rahman Hassoun (remote) [10 mins] ([Presentation](#))

Discussion questions:

- Is the endorsement process/steps clear for you?
- Any ambiguity?

DECISION?

### Session 9 Chair: Juliet Hermes

### 9. Vision 2030 Plenary Session - Cross Network Design (60 mins) | 16:30 - 17:30

**Aims:** Consider how to look at cross network design and discuss conclusions. The exercise will focus on concrete recommendations, namely the outcomes from the ongoing IOC-WMO joint Collaborative Board sub-group on Global Basic Observing Network (GBON). The first output from this group is to recommend subsurface temperature and sea level are added to SST and SLP as the ocean variables in WMO GBON. Taking the gaps identified in the Statements of Guidance - what would be our cross-network recommendations to nations for action towards fulfilling GBON? Specifically ask networks for examples where this is already being done. If needed we can use concrete use-case examples that would make the discussion on network design more compelling. For instance, El Nino prediction, forecasting of storm surge, or tropical cyclones requires a wide range of observational data.

9.1 Cross network design - Emma Heslop, Champika Gallage [10 mins]

([Presentation](#))

Approach options:

- Concentrate on high priority EOVS ? e.g. temperature, sea level, waves and define global minimum - what needed as base and to fill gaps cross network design? Globally, regionally?
- Focus on an application areas - Tsunami, seasonal to climate forecasting and short

*term forecasting - what needed as base and to fill gaps in cross network design?  
Globally, regionally?*

*Discussion questions:*

*- TBD*

*DECISION*

*OCG / Network role in responding to RRR/GBON is defined as*

## **Wrap up Day 1**

**Group dinner - 17:30**

## DAY 2 - Tuesday 12 May 2026 | 09:00 - 17:30 (In local time UTC-3)

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*AM Chair: Kevin O'Brien*

*Online Support: Taihyun Kim*

*Notetaker: Juliet Hermes*

### 10a. Network Block A: Argo, Gliders, AniBOS | 09:00 - 09:45

**Aims:** To highlight networks' key achievements 2025-2026, report against metrics and identify priority challenges the networks are facing. Additionally for the networks to highlight how the OCG can support and any topics for the OCG to consider.

Profile group: Argo, Gliders, AniBOS (7 min each)

10.1 Argo - Breck Owens [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

10.2 Gliders - TBD [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

10.3 AniBOS - Clive McMahon [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

*Discussion questions:*

- *Informed from reports*
- *TBD*

### 10b. Network Block B: OceanSITES, GO-SHIP, XBT-SOOP | 09:45 - 10:30

**Aims:** To highlight networks' key achievements 2025-2026, report against metrics and identify priority challenges the networks are facing. Additionally for the networks to highlight how the OCG can support and any topics for the OCG to consider.

Multivariable/Decadal group: GO-SHIP, OceanSITES, XBT-SOOP (7 min each)

10.4 GO-SHIP - TBD [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

10.5 OceanSITES - TBD [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

10.6 XBT-SOOP - Joel Cabrie [7 mins] (*Presentation*)

*Discussion questions:*

- *Informed from reports*
- *TBD*

## COFFEE BREAK (10:30 - 11:00)

*Online Support: Taihyun Kim*

*Notetaker: Emma Heslop*

### 10c. Network Block C: Moored Buoys, Drifters, Tsunameters | 11:00 - 11:45

**Aims:** To highlight networks' key achievements 2025-2026, report against metrics and identify priority challenges the networks are facing. Additionally for the networks to highlight how the OCG can support and any topics for the OCG to consider.

Weather/Warnings group: Moored Buoys, Global Drifter Array, Tsunameters (7 min each)

10.7 Moored Buoys - TBD [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

10.8 Global Drifter Array - TBD [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

10.9 Tsunameters - TBD [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *Informed from reports*
- *TBD*

#### **10d. Network Block D: GLOSS, HF-Radar, VOS/ASAP | 11:45 - 12:30**

**Aims:** To highlight networks' key achievements 2025-2026, report against metrics and identify priority challenges the networks are facing. Additionally for the networks to highlight how the OCG can support and any topics for the OCG to consider.

Coastal group: GLOSS, HF-Radar, VOS/ASAP (7 min each)

10.10 GLOSS - TBD [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

10.11 HF-Radar - TBD [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

10.12 VOS + ASAP - Joel Cabrie (3 min ASAP with VOS) [10 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *Informed from reports*
- *TBD*

### **LUNCH BREAK (12:30 - 14:00)**

**PM Chair:** [Emma Heslop](#)

*Online Support:* [Mathieu Belbeoch](#)

*Notetaker:* [Nelly Florida Riama](#)

#### **11. OCG Data Strategy | 14:00 - 15:00**

**Aims:** This will highlight the progress made in the intersessional period by the OCG Data Task Team and all collaborators across the key work areas of minimum metadata requirements and global data endpoints, in the context of progress towards the OCG Data Strategy and what the result of these key and individually detailed work areas is leading towards. Including an update on discussion work across GOOS with the BioEco Panel and OBIS in aligning minimum metadata and starting to facilitate cross GOOS metadata exchange. The OCG will be asked to adopt the minimum metadata requirements (Passport) and to provide guidance on further implementation of both the minimum metadata passport and the global data endpoints, as well as communication and connection of these initiatives to GOOS, WMO, IODE, and other stakeholders. It will be important to ensure that the network leadership are clear regarding:

- Endorsed minimum metadata requirements (passports)
- Implementation of ERDDAP at data endpoints
- Identify networks/areas where assistance is needed (metadata or data endpoints)

And to identify ways in which GOOS/OCG and IODE could be better aligned:

- "Submit Once"
- Data pathways towards IODE data products (WOD, OBIS, etc.)

11.1 OCG Data Work - Kevin O'Brien [XX mins] ([Presentation](#))

11.2 IODE and GOOS/OCG alignment - Adam Leadbetter [XX mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *Where do the networks need assistance in carrying out implementation of: Metadata Passport and exchange with OceanOPS? ERDDAP services for at least one global data endpoint?*
- *How can GOOS and IODE be better aligned? For example, some networks are required to submit data/metadata multiple times to satisfy national requirements. How can GOOS and IODE work together to eliminate this redundancy?*
- *What other areas of cooperation would be useful?*

**DECISION**

*GOOS Minimum Metadata Passport adopted by OCG, with published resource for networks and community*

## **12. Metrics and Maturity Index | 15:00 - 15:30**

**Aims:** To review the implementation and communication of the emerging and mature definitions for the OCG attributes, to review the effectiveness of the reporting for the metrics for OCG-17. The discussion should focus on finalising the metrics, such that they can be adopted by the OCG and then focus on what will be useful as health indices.

12.1 Metrics update - Signe (online) [XX mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *What were the problems encountered by the networks or by OceanOPS TCs in reporting using the new metrics?*
- *Do the metrics appear fair/representative of the attributes and networks? Can we adopt them - if not what do we need to change?*
- *Are the health index suggestions ready to test?*

**DECISION**

*OCG Metrics (in pilot for OCG-17) adopted with the following adjustments.*

*It is recommended that these now form the basis of the GOOS Status Report reporting.*

## COFFEE BREAK (15:30 - 16:00)

### 13. Vision 2030 Breakouts | 16:00 - 17:30

**Aims:** Participants online and in person break into work groups around topics that interest them. There are 6-7 topics that OCG has considered but not in depth that could represent future areas of work. We have 1.5 hours in breakout teams to articulate what the challenge is that we are addressing, where we want to be (OCG/networks) and potential actions. For each topic define the challenge, goal of action, short/long term actions (OCG-others), priorities

#### 13a. Vision 2030 Breakouts - ?? [XX mins] ([Presentation](#))

##### Topic 1: Responding to ocean observing requirements -

Background for discussion: This is an OCG foci and in the ToRs, and discussed at OCG-16 (session 10). OCG has an existing dialogue between GOOS Panels, networks, WMO (weather) and GCOS. However we have new requirements arriving, e.g. RRR (atmosphere, ocean and cryosphere), GBON, GOOS Carbon Plan, GCOS Implementation, Co-Design Exemplar recommendations, some of which take a user approach and requests internally and externally for cross network design, e.g. for regions, for countries, for GBON. Following on from the RRR work in Session 9, this breakout we will look more broadly at this question, WMO RRR and GBON, GCOS, EOVS Specification Sheets, Panel recommendations/priorities - how can networks respond to all these different processes/requirements? Is it the work of network targets to respond to a set of requirements (bottom up) with a target/implementation Plan e.g. Argo, GLOSS? or should we receive priorities areas from GOOS and respond with a cross-network design (more top down)? Should we (GOOS) define an Ocean GBON (minimum observing system to respond to a set of key service delivery aspects) and offer a design for this? What is the role of OCG/Networks and the role of GOOS SC/Panel/GRAs? How is this done rigorously and consistently?

##### Topic 2: Define/implement methods to measure the societal and economic impact of observing networks & how do we measure cost (5)

Background for the discussion: This was discussed at [OCG-16](#) (session 10), and the need for value and cost estimates frequently referenced by Member States. How could we measure cost, develop a per unit total cost estimate, ask the community for the cost of each part of an overall network, what are the options for systematic evaluation/assessment, are they useful, will they give something that is reasonable or valuable? Measuring impact, there have been several ideas proposed: studies (data denial etc.), pay for economic study of the system (e.g. IMOS) and use cases that lay out the economic and socio economic value, other ideas, etc. What would be the best way for OCG to work on or support this work?

2 break out groups in-situ and 2 online

<b>Breakout Group 1 (in-situ)</b>	
<i>Moderator: Champika Gallage</i>	<i>Notetaker: Ann-Christine Zinkann</i>

Topic 1: Responding to ocean observing requirements

<b>Breakout Group 1 (Online)</b>	
<i>Moderator: Volunteer?</i>	<i>Notetaker: Volunteer?</i>

Topic 1: Responding to ocean observing requirements

<b>Breakout Group 2 (in-situ)</b>	
<i>Moderator: Emma Heslop</i>	<i>Notetaker: Kevin O'Brien</i>

Topic 2: Define/implement methods to measure the societal and economic impact of observing networks & how do we measure cost

<b>Breakout Group 2 (online)</b>	
<i>Moderator: Volunteer?</i>	<i>Notetaker: Volunteer?</i>

Topic 2: Define/implement methods to measure the societal and economic impact of observing networks & how do we measure cost

## Wrap up Day 2

**Swim & a walk - 17:30**

## DAY 3 - Wednesday 13 May 2026 | 09:00 - 17:30 (In local time UTC-3)

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Online Support: Taihyun Kim

Notetaker: Kevin O'Brien

### 14. Modelers / AI in Ocean Observations - Enhancing Impact | 09:00 - 10:30

**Aims:** At OCG-16 a specific session engaged with weather and coastal prediction organisations, who had some ideas and requests regarding data/observing requirements, including latency. This session OCG will invite some of the same groups back, however look to have a panel session with the user/prediction representatives and consider a set of key questions to reach some conclusions for the OCG.

14.1 2 slides - [3 mins] ([Presentation](#))

Panelists: Vijay Tallapragada, Hao Zuo, Stefano Ciavatta, Nadia Pinardi

*Discussion questions:*

- *What observations do you most keenly require?*
- *Does the WMO Statement of Guidance for your area represent your needs sufficiently?*
- *AI in observing - likely impacts on system, networks, prediction, QC?*
- *Which OCG network observations are assimilated in models?*
- *How can we establish and maintain a 2-way flow of information and what should this focus on?*
- *Which data products do you know of are frequently used for model/data comparisons?*
- *In an ideal work - which data products would you like to have access to?*

**DECISION**

*Formalise the connection with the research/operational modelling community through (membership of OCG, other...)*

### COFFEE BREAK (10:30 - 11:00)

Online Support: Taihyun Kim

Notetaker: Ann-Christine Zinkann

### 10e. Network Block E: Emerging Networks | 11:00 - 12:00

**Aims:** To highlight key achievements by the emerging networks, and particularly how they are reporting against the metrics, what challenges the networks are facing, how can the OCG improve its support, and key topics or questions for the OCG to consider.

10.13 FVON - Cooper Van Vranken [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

- 10.14 SmartCables - Bruce Howe [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))
- 10.15 SOCONET - Kevin O'Brien [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))
- 10.16 SUNFleet - Sarah Nicholson [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

*Discussion questions:*

- *Informed from reports*
- *TBD*

### **10K Ships | 12:00 - 12:30**

**Aims:** To highlight the 10K Ships initiative progress and key questions for the OCG.

- 10.17 Mathieu Belbeoch [7 mins] ([Presentation](#))

## **LUNCH BREAK (12:30 - 14:00)**

**PM Chair:** [Mathias Sifon](#)

**Online Support:** [Mathieu Belbeoch](#)

**Notetaker:** [Champika Gallage](#)

### **15a. Regional session Brief GOOS overview, followed by regional and national presentation and discussion | 14:00 - 15:30**

**Aims:** A dedicated session run by our hosts focused on Chile and regional ocean observing. Starting with a GOOS overview, this session provides opportunities for regional entities to engage and exchange with network experts. Regional scientists will be invited.

- 15.1 Starting with a GOOS overview - TBD ([Presentation](#))
- 15.2 Regional overview - GRASP ([Presentation](#))
- 15.3 National Observing - Chile ([Presentation](#))

Regional scientists invited an opportunity to discuss further how the networks can engage with regional observing systems. And how OCG can consider its support in terms of helping networks in reaching deeper into observing communities, especially regionally.

### **15b. Regional Sessions and tour | 16:00 - 17:30**

**Aims:** Continuation of the regional session with additional presentations and a tour organized by our hosts. Provides further opportunities for regional entities to engage and exchange with network experts in a more informal setting.  
Presentation: Regional and national presentations (continued)

## **Wrap up Day 3**

## DAY 4 - Thursday 14 May 2026 | 09:00 - 15:00 (In local time UTC-3)

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*AM Chair: Juliet Hermes*

*Online Support: Taihyun Kim*

*Notetaker: Ann-Christine Zinkann*

### **Session 16: Finalise Discussions - Set Actions and Priorities | 09:00 - 10:30**

**Aims:** Based on the breakout reports, regional discussions and the full week of sessions, finalise discussions on priority topics, set actions and priorities for the OCG 2026-2027 period. Consider the vision for OCG 2030 considering GOOS Reform, existing and new lines of work (foci), and the value of OCG to networks, to GOOS/WMO, to community and Member States.

16.1 Presentations from each breakout group (Session 9 and Topic 1 Session 13 and Topic 2 Session 13) with recommendations [4-5 mins each] ([Presentation](#))

16.2 Regional report back with recommendations - Matias Sifon

*Discussion (30 mins)*

### **COFFEE BREAK (10:30 - 11:00)**

*Online Support: Taihyun Kim*

*Notetaker: Kevin O'Brien*

### **Session 16 (cont.): Reporting back regional engagement**

- Finalise discussions on priority topics, set actions and priorities for the OCG 2026-2027 period. Consider the vision for OCG 2030 considering GOOS Reform, existing and new lines of work (foci), and the value of OCG to networks, to GOOS/WMO, to community and Member States.

### **Session 16 (cont.): Finalize 2026-2027 Work Plan | 11:00 - 12:30**

**Aims:** Agree the OCG 2026-2027 Work Plan and OceanOPS Workplan. Summarize all actions and next steps from the meeting. Prioritize actions, identify task teams and intersessional roundtables.

#### **DECISION**

- Draft WorkPlan adopted
- OceanOPS WorkPlan adopted

### **LUNCH BREAK (12:30 - 14:00)**

**OCG-18 and Closing | 14:00 - 15:00**

OCG-18 dates and venue

Closing remarks

**OCG-18 and closing**