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(Available in English only)

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To: Official National Coordinating Bodies for liaison with the IOC

Cc: Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of the Commission
Permanent Delegates/Observer Missions to UNESCO of IOC Member States
National Commissions for UNESCO in IOC Member States
Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons of Major IOC Subsidiary Bodies
(Scientific, Technical and Regional)
Partner Organizations in the region

Subject: Sixth Session of IOC Regional Committee for Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO-VI), Kuwait City, Kuwait, 24-25 May 2017 and IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop, 22-23 May 2017

I have the honour to invite you to attend the Sixth Session of the IOC Regional Committee for the Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO-VI) and the preceding IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop. Both meetings will be held at the kind invitation and generous offer of the Government of Kuwait in Kuwait City, respectively from 24-25 May and 22-23 May 2017.

The Government of Kuwait has kindly offered to fully support the local costs of the meetings including accommodation and full board for Member States Representatives and invited experts at the Jumeirah Messilah Beach Hotel & Spa in Kuwait City in addition to meetings venue and local logistics, including printing and marketing expenses, bus rental, consumables, flash drives and bags. The total budget supported by the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR) together with the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) and the Regional Organization for the Protection of the Marine Environment (ROPME) for hosting the two meetings amounts Eighty-eight Thousand Five Hundred Five (88,505) US dollars. An official diner will be offered on the first day of the meetings by the host country.

I am also happy to inform you that the Government of India also provided a financial contribution of five thousand (5,000) US dollars to support the organization of the IOCINDIO-VI meetings in Kuwait City.

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I would like to recall that the IOCINDIO-VI meetings are organized in accordance with Resolution EC-XLIX.1, by which the Executive Council endorsed the Executive Summary Report and Recommendations of IOCINDIO-V session held in Chennai, India, 25-27 May 2016 at the invitation of the Government of India.

It is particularly encouraging to see the increased efforts and contributions from Member States in the region since IOCINDIO-V in 2016, aimed at fast-tracking the re-activation of IOCINDIO that was decided through Assembly Resolution XXV-2 in 2009.

By Resolution EC-XLIX.1, the Executive Council also requested the Executive Secretary to develop a project proposal to be funded by extrabudgetary resources in 2016-2017 (Complementary Additional Programme, CAP) in support of the IOC Regional Committee for the Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO) based on the needs and priorities as adopted by the IOCINDIO-V; aiming at contributing to the Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, the SAMOA Pathway, the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction and the Paris Climate Agreement, the four pillars of work of the Commission for the current Medium-Term Strategy period. Subsequently, the IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop is convened to further develop a number of regional programmes contributing to the reinforcement of the Committee.

It is worth noting that the IOC Regional Committee for Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO) is intergovernmental by nature and is open to Member States of the region, and other interested countries and organizations as observers. I would like to underline that the IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop, 22-23 May and the IOCINDIO-VI, 24-25 May, 2017 are critically important to maintain the momentum gained from the IOCINDIO-V with the view to fully implement the IOCINDIO-V Recommendations at a time when several international initiatives are taking place in the region creating favourable conditions to support ongoing regional and national efforts of IOCINDIO Member States. In particular, the 2nd International Indian Ocean Expedition (2015–2020), the Decade of African Seas and Oceans (2015–2025), and a significant number of IOC/UNESCO-related programmes and activities including Tsunami, Global Sea-level Observing System, Global Ocean Observing System with the Indian Ocean Observing System; International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange, Integrated Coastal Area Management and the IOC Capacity Development Strategy.

IOCINDIO-VI will be conducted under the chairmanship of its elected Chair, Dr M. A. Atmanand (India), former Director of the National Institute of Ocean Technology (NIOT) supported by the elected Vice Chairs, Dr Yamani Faiza (Kuwait) and Dr Nasser Zaker (IR of Iran).

IOCINDIO-VI will review the Recommendations of IOCINDIO-V and the results of the IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop aiming at the reinforcement of the Committee through the expression of national commitments and will also develop a work plan for 2018–2019 based on regional specific needs and priorities. The report and recommendations of IOCINDIO-VI will be submitted for endorsement to the IOC Assembly at its 29th Session (UNESCO, Paris, 21-29 June 2017).

Member States are expected to: (i) nominate their national delegations to the workshop and the session, taking into account the scientific and technical character thereof; (ii) cover the cost of the attendance and participation of their representatives in these meetings; (iii) propose national commitments to the IOC programmes in the region and ensure that adequate resources and means are available to effectively implement the decisions of the IOC Regional Committee.

Subsequently, it would be greatly appreciated if the names, official addresses and designations (i.e., Head of Delegation, Alternate, Representative or Adviser) of your delegates could be addressed to the Executive Secretary of the IOC by 1st May 2017 at the latest (v.ryabinin@unesco.org) with copy to the IOC Regional Liaison Officer acting as the Technical Secretary for IOCINDIO, Mr Justin Ahanhanzo (j.ahanhanzo@unesco.org) and Ms Isabel Chavez (i.chavez@unesco.org) in order to allow preparation of a comprehensive list of participants in advance of the session and to seek as needed the assistance of the host country to facilitate entrance visa.
Further information and working documents in English only will be made available online as soon as they are ready on the IOC/UNESCO webpage. The Meeting language will be English without interpretation.

Please accept, Sir/Madam, the assurances of my highest consideration,

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

Vladimir Ryabinin
Executive Secretary

Enclosures: (4)

Provisional agenda of IOCINDIO-VI
Individual Registration Form for participation in the meetings
Practical Information for the session
IOCINDIO Complementary Additional Project for funding by Member States
INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION
(of UNESCO)

SIXTH SESSION OF THE IOC REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE CENTRAL INDIAN OCEAN
(IOCINDIO-VI)

Kuwait City, Kuwait, 24-25 May 2017

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. OPENING AND WELCOME

2. ORGANISATION OF THE SESSION
   2.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
   2.2 DESIGNATION OF THE RAPPORTEUR FOR THE SESSION
   2.3 CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION
   2.4 ESTABLISHMENT OF INTRASSESSIONAL WORKING GROUPS

3. STATE OF THE IOCINDIO AND THE NEED FOR INSTITUTIONAL REINFORCEMENT
   3.1 REPORT BY THE CHAIR ON IOCINDIO-V AND THE IOCINDIO STRATEGIC
       REVITALISATION SCOPING WORKSHOP
   3.2 REPORT BY THE ACTING TECHNICAL SECRETARY OF IOCINDIO

4. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN IOC AND UNESCO
   4.1 IOC MEDIUM-TERM STRATEGY AND THE FUTURE OF IOC
   4.2 IMPLEMENTATION OF RELEVANT SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG#14)
      & (SDG#13) AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE

5. IOC PROGRAMME AND BUDGET
   5.1 REVIEW OF THE CONTRIBUTION OF IOC PROGRAMMES TO INCINDIO
      5.1.1 OCEAN OBSERVATIONS AND DATA MANAGEMENT
      5.1.2 OCEAN SCIENCES AND APPLICATIONS
      5.1.3 OCEAN/CLIMATE RELATED EARLY WARNING SYSTEMS
      5.1.4 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IOC CAPACITY BUILDING STRATEGY

6. NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES:
   THE NEEDS FOR A REINFORCED COOPERATION IN THE FRAMEWORK OF IOCINDIO
   6.1 NATIONAL PROGRAMMES AND INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS (REPORT)
   6.2 REGIONAL PROGRAMMES
   6.3 LINKAGES AND SYNERGIES WITH IIOE-2
6.4 INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES AND INITIATIVES

7. IOCINDIO PROGRAMME OF WORK AND BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD 2017-2018 WITH REGIONAL MECHANISMS FOR COORDINATION AND IMPLEMENTATION BASED ON REGIONAL PRIORITIES AND CAPACITIES

8. DATE AND PLACE OF INCINDIO-VII

9. ADOPTION OF THE SUMMARY REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10. CLOSURE
Annex to IOC Circular Letter № 2669

Sixth Session of IOC Regional Committee for Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO-VI), Kuwait City, Kuwait, 24-25 May 2017 and IOCINDIO Strategic Revitalisation Scoping Workshop, Kuwait City, Kuwait, 22-23 May 2017

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM

Each participant is kindly requested to complete this individual form and to email it to the Secretariat by 1st May 2017. The information contained herein should be as complete as possible and will be reproduced in the List of Participants after it has been confirmed by the delegate present during the session.

Chaque participant est prié de remplir le formulaire individuel ci-dessous et de le renvoyer par courrier électronique au Secrétariat avant le 1er mai 2017. Les renseignements donnés devront être aussi complets que possible, car ils serviront à l'établissement de la liste des participants qui sera publiée une fois que l’information aura été vérifiée par le délégué présent à la session.

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Kuwait City, Kuwait

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| NO. OF ROOMS | 35 ROOMS |

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- Additional Lunch will be charged AND PAID BY KISR
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- Games kits like Cricket kit, Frisbee, Volley ball etc can be collected from banquets on first come first serve basis: Not available
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COMPLEMENTARY ADDITIONAL PROGRAMME OF EXTRABUDGETARY RESOURCES

Proposals for 2016–2017
Re-activation of the IOC Regional Committee for the Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO): Fostering national and regional capacity building towards the implementation of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals on Ocean (SDG#14) and Climate Change (SDG #13)

Background, justification and overall goal

The 49th Session of the IOC Executive Council (7-10 June 2016) re-affirmed the critical importance of the IOC Regional Committee for the Central Indian Ocean (IOCINDIO) to foster cooperation in the region, aiming at implementing IOC mission, objectives and programmes; at a time when ocean and climate related disasters have become great challenges in the region. The Executive Council adopted Resolution EC-XLIX.1 approving the Recommendations of the Fifth Session of the Committee (IOCINDIO-V) which was successfully organised in Chennai, India, 25-27 April, 2016. The Resolution requested the IOC Executive Secretary to develop a proposal in support of IOCINDIO in the Complementary Additional Programme proposals for 2016–2017, and to work with the Member States of IOCINDIO as well as other Member States to explore, as a matter of priority, all possibilities for mobilization of additional extra-budgetary resources, including contributions to the IOC Special Account, to fund core activities, notably the scoping workshop; as well as the possible organization of the Sixth Session of IOCINDIO in 2017.

The proposal aims to advocate for and support the re-activation and future reinforcement of IOCINDIO as an effective regional intergovernmental umbrella for promoting and implementing IOC programmes and joint activities, notably the lIOE-2 for the benefit of its Member States, with a particular attention to the least developed countries in the fields of ocean science and technology, infrastructures and governance. The re-activation will assist the operationalization of the Committee to become fully functional and self-sustaining with the view to contribute effectively to the successful implementation of IOC programmes and strategy at national and regional levels.

The direct beneficiaries are the IOCINDIO Member States, including the following: Australia, Bangladesh, France, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Iran, Kuwait, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Thailand, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom. (1=Member States having attended the IOCINDIO-V in Chennai, India, 25-27 April 2016)

Furthermore, it is worth noting that the outputs and results of this proposal will also benefit all Indian Ocean countries and beyond. In fact, scientifically, the Central Indian Ocean programs and issues identified are relevant to the entire Indian Ocean basin. To address these adequately, the entire Indian Ocean needs to be considered as a one inter-connected system. Hence, communication and collaboration with other IOC regional initiatives active in the Indian Ocean such as IOCAFRA and WESTPAC will be pursued.

Estimated funding required

US$ 30,000

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Description of activities

The Fifth Session of the Committee (IOCINDIO-V) adopted a number of priority activities including: (i) drafting of a mid-term strategic plan document based on the listing of high-priority starting projects for 2016-2017; (ii) convergence of IOCINDIO activities towards the new global frameworks including, Agenda 2030, notably SDG 14 (Ocean), Climate Regime (Paris Agreement, COP21); Sendai United Nations post-2015 Disaster Risk Reduction Framework; and the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action [S.A.M.O.A.] Pathway; (iii) emerging initiatives under UNCLOS; (iv) efforts of Member States to develop the Blue Growth (“Blue Economy” approach in their national waters); (v) contribution to lIOE-2 and its capacity development component; (vi) development of a communication and awareness initiative; (vii) organization of scientific fora.

It is therefore proposed to organise a scoping workshop aimed at rationalizing and integrating the priorities leading to the development of mid-term strategic plan with implementable work programme. It is also proposed to organise the Sixth Session of IOCINDIO (IOCINDIO-VI) which report should be submitted to and adopted by the 29th Session of IOC Assembly in June 2017.

1. Organisation of a scoping workshop to finalise the work programme and to initiate priority areas/activities in 2017

Following the recommendations of the Executive Council, the IOCINDIO scoping workshop should be held prior to the 29th Session of the IOC Assembly in June 2017. The workshop should focus on the following high-priority project topics as identified by the IOCINDIO-V, including:

- IOCINDIO/lIOE-2 strategic and tactical engagement project based on guiding frameworks for lIOE-2 Engagement, including the lIOE-2 Science Plan and lIOE-2 Implementation Strategy; with a focus on the emerging lIOE-2 Western Indian Ocean Upwelling Research Initiative; and addressing the related issue of harnessing, managing and making existing data (metadata or actual data) available to Member States, including through the Ocean Data and Information Network for the Central Indian Ocean Region (ODINCINDIO).
• IOCINDIO capacity development Project shall build on relevant recent capacity development needs identified by other regional groups or communities of programme (e.g. BILKO Steering Committee, IOGOOS, Bay of Bengal LME and Bay of Bengal intergovernmental Organisation) which have identified stakeholder priorities, needs and gaps in relation to capacity building, in the interests of IOCINDIO.

• IOCINDIO stakeholder communication and awareness project will develop a plan to support IOCINDIO Member States interests and priorities thus facilitating trust building amongst IOCINDIO stakeholders, with a greater support, resourcing and material commitment of IOCINDIO Member States to a clear programme of work.

In addition to the above, some additional topics which deserve special attention in the region were identified as follows:
- Hazards – e.g. tsunami, meteorological, hydrological, Harmful Algae Blooms, etc.
- Climate change impacts – including sea level, acidification/bleaching, human impacts (famine related, heat stress, vector borne diseases etc.)
- BILKO capacity building using existing training/education mechanisms and programmes, both direct and e-based.
- Marginal Seas multi-disciplinary bio-physical/climate studies.
- Vandalism awareness and mitigation.
- IOCINDIO fora for science and related achievements.
- Coastal Zone Management (e.g. focussing on water quality, nearshore primary producer communities [corals, seagrasses, mangroves, etc.], coastal erosion, inundation, etc.)
- Sea-level rise and related coastal salinization.
- Modelling for Ocean Forecasting and Process Studies (referring to the IOGOOS project for historical underpinning).
- Remote sensing (referring to the IOGOOS project for historical underpinning).
- Fisheries Ecosystem-Based Management (EBM) linkage to project complementing existing FAO programmes in the IOCINDIO region.
- Marine/climate science expertise and knowledge transfer.
- Enhancement/completion of the Indian Ocean Observing System in the western Indian Ocean.

The above is not exhaustive and any other relevant areas identified by Member States can be considered as appropriate. The IOC Secretariat, in close collaboration with the IOCINDIO officers, will set up the scientific committee which will develop the full programme and agenda for the scoping workshop. Member States will be invited to nominate national experts to contribute to the preparation of the documents and will also be invited to attend the workshop.

2- Organization of the Sixth Session of IOCINDIO in 2017

Following the decision of IOCINDIO-V which recommended the organisation of the Sixth Session of IOCINDIO (IOCINDIO-VI). The report will be submitted to the 29th Session of the IOC Assembly in June 2017.

Key expected outputs:
- The Scoping workshop for the finalisation of the IOCINDIO work programme organised.
- The Sixth Session of IOCINDIO organised prior to the 29th Session of the IOC Assembly scheduled for June 2017.
- IOCINDIO Work programme is developed and distributed to Member States for implementation.
- IOCINDIO-VI Report submitted to and adopted by the 29th Session of the IOC Assembly in June 2017.

Associated programmes
All IOC programmes including GOOS (notably, IOGOOS); IODE (with the view to re-activate ODINCINDIO); ocean sciences (notably, harmful algal blooms, ocean acidification), IOC Marine Policy programmes (ICAM, LME, MSP) and tsunamis are associated in order to build synergies and save costs. Relevant IOC regional subsidiary bodies in particular, IOCAFRICA and WESTPAC and field offices are also called on to support through joint activities, the re-activation of IOCINDIO.

Assessment of needs and delivery capacity
Member States are invited to contribute their own national needs and priorities to the scoping workshop and in the drafting of the work programme in order to ensure that resulting documents reflect both national and regional priorities and needs.

Opportunity for resource mobilization
# Resolution EC-XLI.1 advocated for a dedicated seed funding from IOC.
# IOC Member States, in particular a core group of IOCINDIO Member States, notably India (sponsored IOCINDIO-V in Chennai in April 2016 and to support the Committee through in-kind and financial contributions); the United Kingdom, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Kuwait (offered to host IOCINDIO-VI in 2017)
# Regional Education and Research Centre on Oceanography for West Asia as a Category 2 Centre under the auspices of UNESCO in the Islamic Republic of Iran.
# Ocean Teacher Global Academy
# Bay of Bengal LME Programme
# Bay of Bengal intergovernmental Organisation
# PERSGA
# UNDP, UNER, FAO, DOALOS.

Accountability for resource mobilization: IOC-HQ