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(of UNESCO)

**Eleventh Intergovernmental Session of the IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific (WESTPAC-XI)**  
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    - 3.3.1 Draft IOC Programme and Budget for 2018-2019 (Draft 39 C/5)**
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    - 3.3.3 Biological Diversity Beyond Areas of National Jurisdiction (BBNJ)**
    - 3.3.4 International Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2020-2030)**
    - 3.3.5 The Future of IOC, and the role of WESTPAC IN IOC's road**
- 4. STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENTS**
  - 4.1 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TENTH WESTPAC INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE (17-20 APRIL 2017, QINGDAO, CHINA)
  - 4.2 THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SDG, PARTICULARLY SDG 14, AT NATIONAL LEVEL, AND CONTRIBUTION OF WESTPAC

**5 REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF REGIONAL PROGRAMMES, PROJECTS AND WORKING GROUPS FOR MAY 2015 – APRIL 2017**

**5.1 OCEAN PROCESSES AND CLIMATE IN THE INDO-PACIFIC**

**5.1.1 North East Asian Regional-GOOS**

**5.1.2 South East Asian Regional-GOOS**

**5.1.2.1 Ocean Forecasting System (OFS)**

**5.1.2.2 Monsoon Onset Monitoring and its Social and Ecosystem Impacts (MOMSEI)**

**5.1.2.3 Monitoring the Ecological Impacts of Ocean Acidification on Coral Reef Ecosystems**

**5.1.3 Air-Sea Interaction in the Kuroshio Extension and its Climate Impact (AIKEC)**

**5.1.4 Upwelling Studies through Ocean Data Integration towards Sustaining Ocean Health and Productivity**

**5.1.5 South China Sea Fluvial Sediments and Environmental Changes (FluSED)**

**5.1.6 Indo-Pacific Ocean Environmental Variations and Air-Sea Interactions (IPOVAI)**

**5.1.7 Feasibility Study on the Second Cooperative Study of the Kuroshio and Adjacent Regions (CSK-2)**

**5.2 MARINE BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION, HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS, SEAFOOD SECURITY AND SAFETY**

**5.2.1 Coral Reef Conservation** (*Formerly referred to as “Marine & Coastal Biodiversity and Conservation”*)

**5.2.2 Coral Reef under Climate and Anthropogenic Perturbations**

**5.2.3 DNA Taxonomy and Recruitment Monitoring of the Coral Reef Marine Organisms**

**5.2.4 Ocean Remote Sensing for Coastal Habitat Mapping**

**5.2.5 Marine Endangered Species**

**5.2.6 Harmful Algal Blooms**

**5.2.7 Marine Toxins and Seafood Safety**

**5.3 ENHANCED KNOWLEDGE OF EMERGING OCEAN SCIENCE ISSUES**

**5.3.1 WG003: Mapping Harmful Jellyfishes**

**5.3.2 WG004: Marine Renewable Energy Technology Development**

5.4 CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR MARINE SCIENCE, OBSERVATIONS AND SERVICES

**5.4.1 WESTPAC's Approach to Capacity Development and its Contribution to the Development and Implementation of the IOC Capacity Development Strategy for 2015-2021**

**5.4.2 Development of the IOC Regional Network of Training and Research Centers**

**5.4.3 IOC Regional Training and Research Center on Ocean Dynamics and Climate (RTRC-ODC)**

**5.4.4 IOC Regional Training and Research Center on Marine Biodiversity and Ecosystem Health (RTRC-MarBEST)**

5.5 RECOMMENDATION OF WESTPAC ADVISORY GROUP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REGIONAL PROGRAMMES, PROJECTS AND WORKING GROUPS FOR MAY 2015 – APRIL 2017

**6. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NEW PROGRAMME/PROJECT PROPOSALS, AND/OR NEW WESTPAC WORKING GROUPS AND THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE**

6.1 DISTRIBUTION, SOURCE, FATE AND IMPACTS OF MARINE MICROPLASTICS IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

6.2 WORKING GROUP ON ENERGY AND MATERIALS EXCHANGE BETWEEN LAND AND OPEN OCEAN

6.3 ENHANCEMENT OF HARMFUL JELLYFISH RESEARCH & NETWORKING IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC

6.4 WORKING GROUP ON OCEAN OXYGEN NETWORK IN THE WESTPAC PACIFIC

**7. COOPERATION WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMMES**

7.1 IOC SUB-COMMISSION FOR THE AFRICA and ADJACENT ISLAND STATES (IOCAFRICA)

7.2 WORLD CLIMATE RESEARCH PROGRAMME/CLIVAR

7.3 UN ENVIRONMENT/NOWPAP

7.4 INTERNATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC DATA AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE (IODE)

**8. WESTPAC WORKPLAN AND BUDGET FOR MAY 2017 – MAY 2019**

**9. ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT**

9.1 ELECTIONS OF THE OFFICERS OF THE SUB-COMMISSION

9.2 WESTPAC MEMBERSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP

9.3 RESOURCES MOBILIZATION

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**11. OTHER MATTERS**

**12. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**13. CLOSURE**