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# 31st Meeting of Joint IHO-IOC GEBCO Guiding Committee

IHB, Monaco, 13-15 June 2014

## IOC Report

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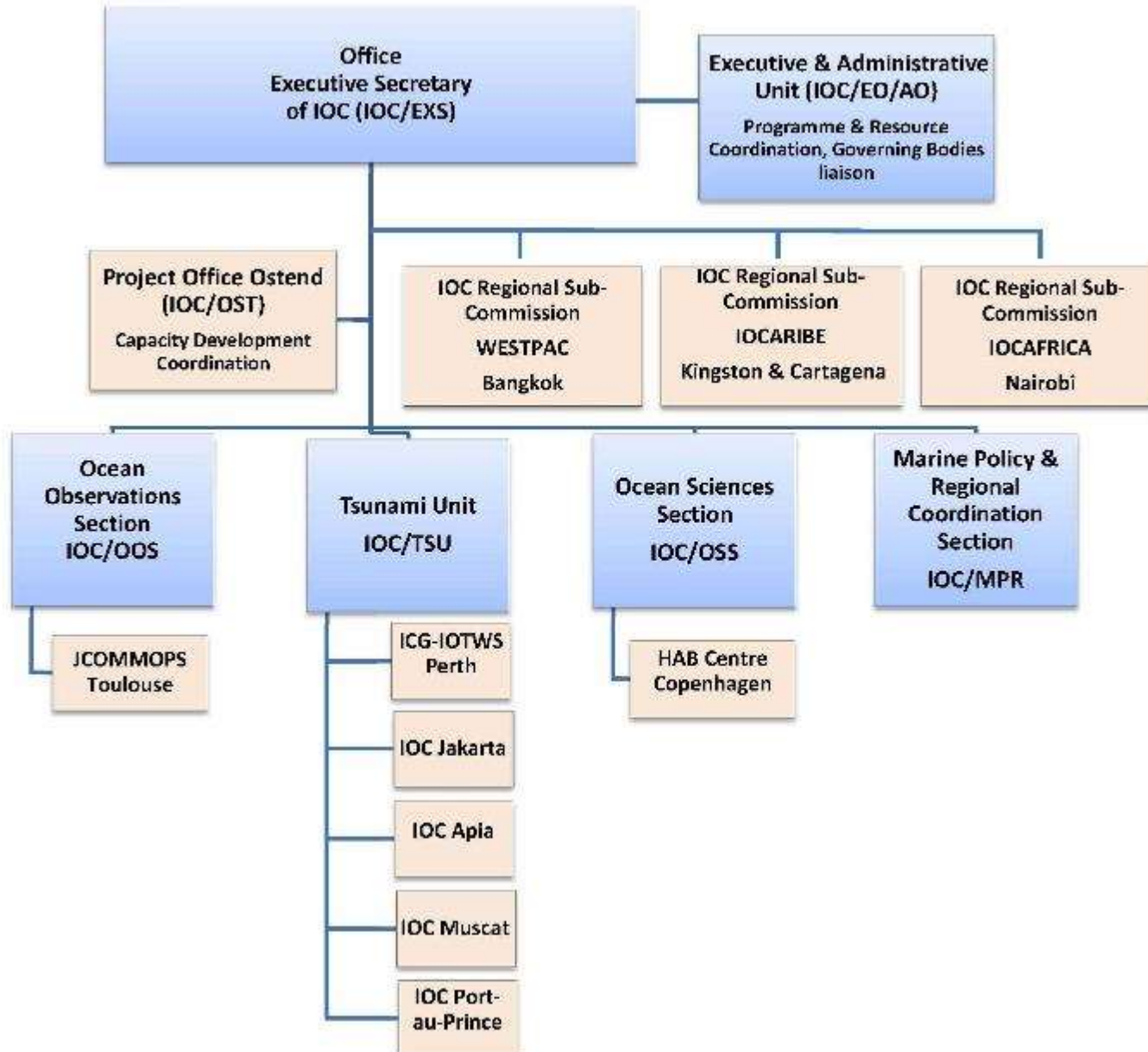
# Update of Member States

- 147 Member States (as of 24 March 2014)
- Palau joined the IOC as from 24 March 2014

# Secretariat

- Recruitment of IOC Executive Secretary
- Restructuring of IOC Secretariat

IOC ORGANIZATIONAL CHART 2014-2015



# The 47th Session of IOC Executive Council Overview

- Date: 1st July - 4th July 2014 (3.5 days)
- Venue: UNESCO headquarters (Paris, France)
- 40 Member States as members of the IOC Executive Council, and relevant programs and organizations as observers are invited.
- The report of the Executive Secretary will include decision on the revised GEBCO GGC TOR-ROP

- Please visit our website.

<http://ioc-unesco.org/>



# The 47th Session of IOC Executive Council

## Draft Decision for GEBCO

EC-XLVII, Dec. 3.1

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### II. Revised Terms of reference of the General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans (GEBCO) Guiding Committee

1. Having examined document IOC/EC-XLVII/2 Annex 4,
2. Recognizing the importance of cooperation between IOC and the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) in the field of bathymetry,
3. Encourages Member States to voluntarily contribute to the improvement of global bathymetric data sets and data products of the IHO-IOC GEBCO Project;
4. Endorses the revised Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure for the Joint IHO–IOC GEBCO Guiding Committee;
5. Requests the Executive Secretary to convey this endorsement to the Joint IHO–IOC GEBCO Guiding Committee.

# Development of an IOC Capacity Development Strategic Plan

- Meeting of CD intersessional working group  
(Paris, 10-11 December 2013)
- Draft document (ver. 4) is available on line at IOC website. (12 March 2014 - )

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- Consideration of Draft CD Strategic Plan by IOC Executive Council (1-4 July 2014) to reform CD intersessional working group to develop an Action Plan
  - The Draft CD Strategic and Action Plan will be considered by Assembly at the 28 session in 2015



# The OceanTeacher Global Academy

- *One of the Pillars of the draft Capacity Development Strategic Plan*

## OceanTeacher goes global: The OceanTeacher Global Academy



The new OceanTeacher Global Academy will build upon and expand the existing OceanTeacher Academy based at the IOC Project Office for IODE in Oostende, Belgium, to a truly **worldwide training facility**.

It will provide a **programme of training courses related to IOC programmes**, contributing to the **sustainable management of oceans and coastal areas worldwide**, and **relevant to Member States in the regions**.

### EUROPE & NORTH AMERICA

- Belgium (Oostende)
- Woods Hole
- NSU

### AFRICA

- Kenya (Mombasa)
- Mozambique (Maputo)
- South Africa (Grahamstown)
- Senegal (Dakar)

### INDIAN OCEAN

- India (Hyderabad)

### WESTERN PACIFIC

- China (Tianjin) [in reserve]
- Malaysia (Terengganu)

### LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN

- Argentina (Buenos Aires) [in reserve]
- Colombia (Santa Marta)
- Ecuador (CPPS)



Figure 1: Schematic diagram of the OceanTeacher Global Academy elements: Regional Training Centres (RTCs) will be established in the different geographical areas.



# International Indian Ocean Expedition 50th Anniversary Initiative (IIOE-2)

- **IOC involvement in IIOE-2**

- The 2nd meeting of IIOE-2 Reference Group, China, Nov. 2013
- The 3rd meeting of IIOE-2 Reference Group, Mauritius, March 2014

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- The Proposal of the IIOE-2 will be considered during the session at the IOC Executive Council, July 1-4, 2014

- **Further information**

- Please refer to the website: <http://iocperth.org>

# International Indian Ocean Expedition 50th Anniversary Initiative (IIOE-2)

- A Proposal to the Executive Council 2014
  - Science and Related Priorities for an IIOE-2
  - The research plan
    - To be developed by SCOR  
an early draft by the end of August 2014 ?
  - Implementation plan
    - an Interim Planning Committee (IPC) will undertake initial planning work and will report back to IOC Assembly at 28 session 2015.
  - Secretariat
    - Intergovernmental support will be provided through the IOC Secretariat
    - A centralised support Secretariat will be established in the region

# IOC Medium-Term Strategy 2014-2021

- The IOC Medium-Term Strategy 2014-2021 was adopted through Resolution XXVII-2 of the IOC 27th Assembly 2013.
- The Strategy document is now available online at the “Strategy” section of the IOC website.
- GEBCO is welcome to consider any proposal of activities in harmonization with the Strategy when GEBCO considers its future direction.

# IOC Medium-Term Strategy 2014-2021

## *Vision:*

*Strong scientific understanding and systematic observations of the changing world ocean climate and ecosystems shall underpin sustainable development and global governance for a healthy ocean, and global, regional and national management of risks and opportunities from the ocean.*

## **High-Level Objectives for 2014-2021**

1. Healthy ocean ecosystems and sustained ecosystem services
2. Effective early warning systems and preparedness for tsunamis and other ocean-related hazards
3. Increased resiliency to climate change and variability and enhanced safety, efficiency and effectiveness of all ocean-based activities through scientifically-founded services, adaptation and mitigation strategies.
4. Enhanced knowledge of emerging ocean science issues

*Thank you!*

*Merci beaucoup!*

*¡Muchas Gracias!*



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