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FOURTH DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. OPENING

2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

2.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
[Rule of Procedure 8]

2.2 DESIGNATION OF THE RAPPORTEUR
[Rule of Procedure 25.4]

2.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF SESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS
[Rule of Procedure 12]

2.4 INTRODUCTION OF TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION
[Rule of Procedure 11, Dec. EC-55/5.3, A-31/3.2]

2.5 ROGER REVELLE MEMORIAL LECTURE
[IOC-XXVI/3]

3. IOC MATTERS AND REPORTS

3.1 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED
SINCE THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY (July 2025–May 2026)
[Rule of Procedure 49.1]

will also present:

- The 3rd edition of the *Global Ocean Science Report* and the *2026 State of the Ocean Report*
- Report on the Implementation of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021–2030)
- Progress report of the Working Group on Advancing Ocean Data Sharing for Sustainable Development in areas within national jurisdiction
- Draft proposal by the GOOS Steering Committee on the Ship-of-Opportunity Programme

- 3.2 WARNING AND MITIGATION SYSTEMS FOR OCEAN HAZARDS
 - 3.2.1 Regional Early Warning Services**
 - 3.2.2 Global Coordination of Warning and Mitigation Systems for Ocean Hazards**
- 3.3 GLOBAL OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM (GOOS) GOVERNANCE
[Dec. A-32/4.8.1, EC-57/4.1, A-33/4.5.1]
- 3.4 GLOBAL SEA-LEVEL OBSERVING SYSTEM (GLOSS) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2026-2030
[IOC-/GE-GLOSS-XVIII/3 Annex II]
- 3.5 DEVELOPMENT OF AN IOC DATA ARCHITECTURE
[Dec. A-33/3.4.3]
- 3.6 JOINT WMO-IOC COLLABORATIVE BOARD (JCB) STRATEGIC ADVICE ON JOINT WORK TO ACHIEVE COMMON OBJECTIVES
[Res. XXX-2, Dec. A-33/4.6]
- 3.7 REPORT OF THE IOC WORKING GROUP ON BIODIVERSITY BEYOND NATIONAL JURISDICTION
[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.4; Dec. A-32/4.8.2; Dec. A-33/4.5.3]
- 3.8 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE IOC GROUPS OF EXPERTS ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND ON OCEAN LITERACY: OUTPUTS OF JOINT WORK AND MECHANISMS DEVELOPED FOR ALIGNMENT
[Dec. A-33/4.2; A-33/4.4]

4. GOVERNANCE, PROGRAMMING AND BUDGETING (IOC Resolutions A-33/3 & A-33/1)

- 4.1 PROGRAMME AND BUDGET 2026–2027 (43 C/5)
- 4.2 REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCESSES
[Res. EC-57/2; Res A-33/3(III)]
 - 4.2.1 Update on progress and next steps**
 - 4.2.2 Review of the working methods of IOC Governing Bodies**
 - 4.2.3 New IOC Communication Strategy**
- 4.3 IOC AND THE FUTURE OF THE OCEAN CONSULTATION PROCESS
[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2.Doc(1); Res. XXX-3; Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2 ; Res. EC-57/2; Res. A-33/3(IV)]
 - 4.3.1 Phase II report and proposal for Phase III**
 - 4.3.2 Vision for strengthening IOCAFRICA and other IOC Regional Subsidiary Bodies**
[Res. A-33/1]
- 4.4 DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET 2028–2029 (44 C/5) – PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL FROM THE SECRETARIAT
- 4.5 REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE
[Statutes Art. 1.2]

**5. PREPARATION OF THE NEXT SESSIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY
AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

[Dec. A-33/5.6; Res A-33/3(III)]

**6. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MODALITIES
FOR THE FINALISATION OF THE REPORT**

[Statutes, Art. C.7; Rule of procedure 19.2]

7. CLOSURE