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**Subject: Tenth meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region (ICG/PTWS WG-SCS), 28 & 30 September 2021 (0700-0830 UTC, online)**

The Intergovernmental Coordination Group (ICG) for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS) was first established by the IOC in 1965 as a cooperation mechanism for countries in the Pacific whose coastal areas were threatened by tsunamis. Through the ICG, Member States have designed and developed the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System and work together since to improve and sustain it. At its 28th session in April 2019, the ICG/PTWS decided to continue the Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region under the chairship of Mr Chan Sai-Tick (China).

In this context, I am pleased to inform you that the tenth meeting of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region (ICG/PTWS-WG/SCS-X) will take place on 28 & 30 September 2021 as an online meeting with proposed work schedule from 0700 to 0830 UTC daily.

Please register for the meeting in communicating the names and positions of your representative(s) by email to Mr Bernardo Aliaga, ICG/PTWS Technical Secretary ([b.aliaga@unesco.org](mailto:b.aliaga@unesco.org)) by 23rd September 2021.

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The Provisional Agenda for the meeting for participants attached hereto have been prepared by the Chairperson of the working group in coordination with the Secretariat.

All information regarding this meeting, including the documentation and presentations as well as the list of participants, will be made available at the meeting webpage: [http://ioc-tsunami.org/index.php?option=com\\_oe&task=viewEventRecord&eventID=3280](http://ioc-tsunami.org/index.php?option=com_oe&task=viewEventRecord&eventID=3280).

Additional logistic details for the meeting including instructions to connect to the online meeting will be shared by email on September 24<sup>th</sup> with your nominated representative(s).

With the assurances of my highest consideration, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

*[signed]*

Vladimir Ryabinin  
Executive Secretary

Enclosures (2): Provisional Agenda & Timetable

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION**  
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**Tenth Session (online) of the ICG/PTWS Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System in the South China Sea Region (ICG/PTWS WG-SCS),  
0700-0830 UTC, 28 & 30 September 2021**

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. WELCOME AND OPENING (10 minutes)**
- 2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION (5 minutes)**
  - 2.1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
  - 2.2. CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION
- 3. REVIEW OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS ARISING FROM ICG/PTWS WG-SCS-IX ONLINE MEETING (5 minutes)**
- 4. REPORTS**
  - 4.1. NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS **(55 minutes)**
  - 4.2. REPORT FROM SCSTAC **(15 minutes)**
  - 4.3. REPORT FROM NWPTAC **(15 minutes)**
  - 4.4. REPORT ON SELF-DEVELOPED TSUNAMI DECISION SUPPORTING SYSTEM AT SCSTAC **(15 minutes)**
- 5. SETTING UP OF BACKUP SCSTAC IN HONG KONG, CHINA (15 minutes)**
- 6. FUTURE OF THE TASK TEAM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOUTH CHINA SEA TSUNAMI ADVISORY CENTER (TT-SCSTAC) (10 minutes)**
- 7. SEISMIC AND SEA LEVEL CORE STATIONS IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA REGION FOR FURTHER ENHANCING TSUNAMI WARNING CAPABILITY (10 minutes)**
- 8. NEXT MEETING (5 minutes)**
- 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS (5 minutes)**
- 10. SUMMARY OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS (10 minutes)**
- 11. CLOSE OF MEETING**

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**PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**

| <b>Hour (UTC)</b> | <b>Tuesday, 28 September</b>  | <b>Hour (UTC)</b> | <b>Thursday, 30 September</b>   |
|-------------------|---|-------------------|---|
| 0700 – 0710       | <b>1. WELCOME AND OPENING</b><br>(10 MINUTES)   | 0700 – 0730       | 4.3 REPORT FROM NWPTAC (15 MINUTES)<br>4.4 REPORT ON SELF-DEVELOPED TSUNAMI DECISION SUPPORTING SYSTEM AT SCSTAC (15 MINUTES)                         |
| 0710 – 0715       | <b>2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION</b><br>(5 MINUTES)<br>2.1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA<br>2.2 CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION | 0730 – 0745       | <b>5. SETTING UP OF BACKUP SCSTAC IN HONG KONG, CHINA</b><br>(15 MINUTES)   |
| 0715 – 0720       | <b>3. REVIEW OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS ARISING FROM WG-SCS-IX ONLINE MEETING</b><br>(5 MINUTES)                           | 0745 – 0755       | <b>6. FUTURE OF THE TASK TEAM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SOUTH CHINA SEA TSUNAMI ADVISORY CENTER (TT-SCSTAC)</b><br>(10 MINUTES)                       |
| 0720 – 0830       | <b>4. REPORTS</b><br>4.1 NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS (55 MINUTES)<br>4.2 REPORT FROM SCSTAC (15 MINUTES)                                    | 0755 – 0805       | <b>7. SEISMIC AND SEA LEVEL CORE STATIONS IN THE SOUTH CHINA SEA REGION FOR FURTHER ENHANCING TSUNAMI WARNING CAPABILITY</b><br>(10 MINUTES)          |
|                   |   | 0805 – 0830       | <b>8. NEXT MEETING</b><br><b>9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b><br><b>10. SUMMARY OF DECISIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTIONS</b><br><b>11. CLOSE OF MEETING</b> |