



# **IOC Steering Group for the Ocean Best Practices System (SG-OBPS)**

**Monthly Meeting**  
13 Jan 2021  
20.00-21.00 UTC  
[ONLINE]

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## **ABSTRACT**

The IOC Ocean Best Practices System Steering Group (SG-OBPS) meets annually at a face-to-face/hybrid/online meeting. During the intervening months the SG-OBPS meets online monthly.

This report is the record of the online meeting for 13 January 2021

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## 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Johannes Karstensen, SG-OBPS Co-Chair, opened the meeting at 20.00 UTC on Wednesday 13 January 2021. Apologies were received from Arno Lambert, Peter Pissierssens and Rachel Przeslawski. A complete list of the meeting participants is shown in Annex I. Participants confirmed that they accepted that the meeting was to be recorded to assist with reporting purposes.

The meeting agenda had been provided online in GDrive one week before the meeting and Work Package(WP) leads had contributed topics they wished to report or discuss. A draft version of this meeting report will be provided to participants to give them the opportunity to provide any additional brief text for inclusion.

## 2. WORK PACKAGES DISCUSSION TOPICS

### 2.1 WP1: PROJECT MANAGEMENT

1. **Workshop 2021 date.** A Doodle poll had been circulated and members were asked to complete their availability for two consecutive weeks in September 2021. It was apparent from the majority of responses that availability was centred on the **two weeks beginning 20 and 27 September 2021**. It was suggested that SG members should provisionally 'reserve' those two weeks on their calendars. Workshop planning within the SG would define workshop format, days, times. At this time it was not certain whether it would be Face-to-Face and Online or just Online.

**ACTION:** Weeks 20 & 27 September 2021 be 'reserved' and Workshop V Planning meetings to be organized. (JP/JK/PS)

Although there was a full agenda the SG decided to focus this meeting discussions only on the OBPS Decade Programme application since that was to be submitted in three days.

**ACTION:** It was agreed that all this month's agenda items be transferred to the 10 Feb agenda. (PS)

### 2.2 WP6: USER COMMUNITIES

1. **Decade Programme Proposal**

Led by Johannes Karstensen, detailed discussions followed on the structure and content of the proposal. **Post meeting:** SG members contributed to the final proposal <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-ULcevt1NHgvsSuCYm5ld3819yqIHgWd/view?usp=sharing> which was submitted to IOC on time.

## 3. CLOSING OF THE MEETING

The meeting was closed at 21.40 UTC. The next monthly meeting is scheduled to be held 10 February 2021 @ 20.00 UTC

ANNEX I

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