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**AGENDA ITEM 6.0: SOT-IDs**

# SUMMARY

### In this presentation, the OceanOPS Technical Coordinator for the Ship Observations Team, Martin Kramp, introduced the new identifier series for stations/platforms of the Ship Observations Team, including history and recommendations of former SOT, OCG and JCOMM meetings that led to the decision to discontinue using ITU call signs or masks schemes for this purpose. He explained the relation between SOT and WIGOS-IDs and how operators can request such an identifier, where this identifier should be put in data and metadata submissions (including Turbowin field), which events do or do not trigger a new SOT-ID and how data users can track with OceanOPS tools which IDs have been used by the same station over its lifetime, or how the history of a ship with changing names, flags and call-signs do or do not have an impact in this matter. He stressed that every new SOT station/platform should use SOT-IDs in data submissions and that for all active or even closed stations/platforms such SOT-IDs have already been allocated. The meeting noted that every active station/platform can switch from call-signs or masks to its already allocated SOT-ID at any time, the OceanOPS systems monitors this transition and provides data users with the identifier history of such stations/platforms. OceanOPS has delegated and exclusive authority to allocate these SOT-IDs on behalf of WMO members (while the responsibility of IDs for landstations is with the Members). All Members were encouraged to roll out the use of SOT-IDs as soon as possible.

### B. ACTIONS/DECISIONS/Recommendations:

(a) Adopt draft Action/Decision/Recommendation*;*

* What, By who, Completion deadline
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# C. BACKGROUND INFORMATION (not to be included in the session report):

### References (if any):

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