Item 16: Regions – to step up my work now!

IOCARIBE: Cesar Toro retiring end of February 2022, post to be announced, interim solution may be in place soon Decade conference held in Dec 2021

IOCAFRICA: 24-26 Jan preconference webinars on gap analysis Decade conference – May 2022, not easy to organize Fundraising for work in Africa, Mika Odido retiring in 2024

<u>WESTPAC</u>: active, Decade Conference Nov 2021, Wenxi Zhu is subject to UNESCO mobility but not immediately Decade Collaborative Centre in Thailand, to be hosted by the WESTPAC Office, is considered

IOCINDIO Webinar of Coastal vulnerability Dec 2021

Indian Ocean Science Conference - March 2022

IOCINDIO status, an open-ended intersessional WG in making, to be co-chaired BY IOC Chair and IOCINDIO Chair

Big Q:

- Formal transformation into a Sub-Commission will not guarantee active and productive work
- We need to fulfil the IOC-31 decision
- How to configure the new IOCINDIO so that it has a strong mandate of direct relevance to Member States in the Region, creating their interest and commitment? Decade?