Annex I: Survey on State of the Ocean Report – on the basis of its pilot Edition 2022
(English only)

This form, filled by IOC Member States, will help the IOC Secretariat to further improve future editions of the pilot State of the Ocean Report and full State of the Ocean Report.

The questions below will allow to refine the scope, define the drafting and review process, as well as decide on a preliminary frequency of publication.

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| 1. Reviewer Information |  |
| 1.i | Email: |  |
| 1.ii | Country: |  |
| 1.iii | Name/First name: |  |
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2. Scope of the report

The pilot edition of the State of the Ocean Report (StOR) presented in June 2022, according to [IOC/INF-1393 Rev.](https://oceanexpert.org/document/28482), focused on the initial Ocean Decade Challenges and on a limited number of corresponding proxies, for which IOC and affiliated programmes are collecting and developing information and data.

For the first pilot edition the following template was sent to the authors: (<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dBJ470IEHjSDOGhI5LhkfoXoFsTuZl8gkPQ7z6awO0U/edit?usp=sharing>)

The pilot edition of the StOR addresses 9 out of the 10 Ocean Decade Challenges, illustrated by 21 storylines. The full StOR will address all 10 challenges.

**2.i Please advise how to improve the template in terms of format, length, inclusion of figures etc.**

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| **2.ii** | **Advise on the relevance of the existing storylines** |
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| **2.iii** | **Propose how to improve the currently used indicators and benchmarks** |
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| **2.iv** | **Advise on how to identify new potential indicators** |
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**3. Frequency of the report**

The 55th Session of the IOC Executive Council concluded that an annual StOR might not be feasible neither in terms of gathering new data nor in terms of IOC resources.

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| **3.i How often should the StOR be published?** (select one option) |
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|  | Annual |  |
|  | Biennial |  |
|  | Other | please provide further guidance below |
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**4. Additional comments**

The StOR is envisaged to provide a platform for integrating relevant findings of other UN Organizations on the state of and trends in the world’s ocean.

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| 4.i | **Please advise on relevant UN Organizations and the information they could provide and to which Decade challenges** |
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| 4.ii | **Please suggest additional resources to be consulted to support the IOC Secretariat in the preparation of the StOR** |
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| 4.iii | **Please let us know if you have any further advice to improve the next edition of the StOR** |
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