



Mr. Vladimir Ryabinin
Executive Secretary
IOC Secretariat

13 March 2023

Dear Sir,

Reference is made to your letter IOC/VR/EH/FC/RV of 2 March 2023 concerning the nomination of National Focal Points to the Global Ocean Observing System, GOOS. As the IOC focal point in Finland the Finnish Meteorological Institute has decided to change its representative in GOOS and nominates Dr. Laura Tuomi, Head of Marine Research, Finnish Meteorological Institute as our new National Focal Point to GOOS. Please, find attached the filled in nomination form.

Yours Sincerely,

Prof. Jussi Kaurola
Director General

Encl. Nomination form

2/ GOOS National Focal Point (NFP)

NOMINATION FORM

MEMBER STATE: FINLAND

GOOS National Focal Point Outline

The overarching objective of the Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS) National Focal Points is to promote and support nationally and regionally coordinated strategies for the implementation of a sustained *global ocean observing system that delivers the essential information needed for our sustainable development, safety, wellbeing and prosperity*.

The role of the GOOS National Focal Points is to promote and support the implementation of a Global Ocean Observing System through advocating for sustained national ocean observing system activities that contribute to the GOOS, engaging and leading activities to coordinate ocean observing at a national level, and publicising opportunities for engagement with GOOS activities within the national context.

The role will include fostering connections at a national level between elements involved in ocean observing, government stakeholders and the beneficiaries of ocean information, and the national representatives of GOOS sponsor organisations (IOC, WMO, and UNEP), towards achieving national strategic goals for sustained ocean observing, in the context of the GOOS 2030 Strategy¹. It will also be important to foster connections with national data, modelling/prediction, and ocean assessment activities in order to support the delivery of ocean information to key national users across climate, weather and hazard warnings, and ocean health delivery areas.

The GOOS National Focal Points will also work to ensure that national needs and gaps related to sustained ocean observing systems are brought to the attention of GOOS².

¹www.goosocean.org/2030Strategy

² GOOS consists of 7 GOOS components: 3 GOOS Expert Panels (Ocean Observing Physics and Climate Panel (OOPC), Biogeochemistry Panel (IOCCP), and the BioEco Panel), the GOOS Observation Coordination Group (OCG), Regional Alliances (GRAs), the Expert Team for Operational Ocean Forecasting (ETOOFS), all supported by the GOOS Office which has its HQ in Paris. The GOOS Steering Committee provides oversight. www.goosocean.org

Global Ocean Observing System (GOOS) National Focal Point

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Additional comments:

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Date: 13.3.2023

Nomination Forms duly completed and signed should be sent by 22 March 2023 to the IOC Secretariat by email to goos@unesco.org through one of the following channels:

1. The coordinating body for liaison with the IOC
2. Head of UNESCO National Commission
3. Permanent Delegate to UNESCO

Note: any questions can be addressed to the Acting Head of the Ocean Observation and Services Section, Dr Emma Heslop (e.heslop@unesco.org), with copy to Ms Forest Collins (f.collins@unesco.org) and Dr Ramasamy Venkatesan (r.venkatesan@unesco.org).