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Cc : Chairs of IOCAFRICA, IOCARIBE, IOCINDIO, and WESTPAC
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Subject: Second draft Ocean Decade Tsunami Programme Research and Development Plan for comments

Following the establishment of the IOC Ocean Decade Tsunami Programme (ODTP) in 2021 and its registration as UN Decade Action 31 – "The Ocean Tsunami Programme", a Scientific Committee for the ODTP was formed in early 2022 (see IOC [Circular Letter 2876](#)) to develop a draft 10-Year Research, Development and Implementation Plan for the ODTP (ODTP R&D).

As a follow-up to IOC [Circular Letter 2921](#) by which the first draft ODTP R&D Plan was circulated for comments in December 2022, I am pleased to submit the second draft of the Plan and its Executive Summary for your consideration. The second version of the OTP R&D Plan annexed hereafter has benefitted from the comments and suggestions received from the Tsunami National Contacts, Tsunami Warning Focal Points and National Tsunami Warning Centres.

We count on your active participation to finalize the Plan that will be tabled at the 16th meeting of the IOC Working Group on Tsunamis and Other Hazards related to Sea Level Warning and Mitigation Systems (TOWS-WG) for its consideration and endorsement (2–3 March 2023). In the meantime, you are kindly invited to forward your initial comments to the Secretariat (c/o Mr Angelos Haidar (a.haidar@unesco.org) with copy to Mr Bernardo Aliaga (b.aliaga@unesco.org)).

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We look forward to seeing you at the two inter-ICG Task Teams and TOWS-WG-XVI meetings.

With the assurances of my highest consideration, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

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Executive Secretary

Enclosures (2): Ocean Decade Tsunami Programme Research and Development Plan
(2nd draft, 5 February 2023) – English only

Executive Summary of the ODTP R&D Plan – English only