**FACT SHEET Working Group 5:**

**Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation**

**in the South East Pacific Region**

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| **Working Group 5: Regional Working Group on Tsunami Warning and Mitigation in the South East Pacific Region**  Terms of Reference:   1. To enhance regional capabilities in the South East Pacific Region for the Detection, Assessment, Warning and Dissemination of tsunami events, based on lessons learned and global trends, with the purpose of generating improvement opportunities for the National Tsunami Warning Centers (NTWC) following the Sendai framework priorities as a reference. 2. To facilitate cooperation in the establishment and upgrading of seismic and sea level stations and networks and communication systems in the region, and their interoperability in accordance with ICG/PTWS requirements, through the active participation of appropriate national delegates from Member States, in the Working Group 2: Tsunami Detection, Warning and Dissemination. 3. To improve the communication channels between the countries, according to the regional communications protocol established under Permanent Commission for the South Pacific (CPPS), through periodical tests using redundant systems. 4. To analyse the convenience of piloting Tsunami Ready program in the region. 5. To promote regional activities and join projects considering in-region capacity building and enhancing disaster preparedness for response as main efforts, according the priorities number 1 and 4 of the Sendai framework. 6. To facilitate capacity building and the sharing of sea level information among others, including the free and open exchange of data. 7. To improve the educational programs with regional criteria based on social, cultural and economic reality, through the active participation of appropriate national delegates from Member States, in the Working Group 3: Disaster Risk Management and Preparedness. 8. To develop synergies with universities and academic centres to promote and to facilitate the regional tsunami research in order to cope with regional needs.   The Group will be composed of representatives nominated by the Member States of Chile, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, with a Chair and a Vice-Chair from each country rotating every two years, following an alphabetical order. In this context, the Vice-Chair will assume regional presidency for the coming period. |
| Members:   1. Tte 1ero ceci Rodriguez Cruz, DHN, Peru (Chair) 2. Ms Mary Rengifo, Colombia (Vice-Chair) 3. The Group will be composed of representatives from Colombia, Ecuador, Peru and Chile   Chair: Chile (2008), Peru (2009-2010), Ecuador (2011-2012), Chile (2013-2015), Ecuador (2015-2017), Peru (2017-2019) |
| The following applies for all working groups:  Languages: English, Spanish and French  Meetings: Meet intersessionally.  Coordinator and Elections: Follow the rules of procedures applying to IOC Subsidiary Bodies. Chair and at least one vice chair who will be elected either by the ICG/PTWS or the members of the working group for two years with possible reelection of one term in the same position.  Members and appointment: Nominated by member states in accordance with the rules of procedures applying to IOC Subsidiary bodies. Technical experts can be invited at the discretion of the Chair.  Calendar of Intersessional work should be determined by the working group at the working group meeting and included in the report.  Duration of the WG: Two years.  Reports: A final report has to be submitted two months before the parent body meeting and for each working group meeting within the two following months.  Financial resources: At national expense.  Amendments: As warranted by the working groups. |
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