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Subject: Request to update IODE National Coordinators for Oceanographic Data Management and IODE National Coordinators for Marine Information Management, and invitation to establish IODE National Oceanographic Data Centres or IODE Associate Data Units (ADU)

Following the guidance of the IOC Committee on International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange (IODE) at its 27th session, the Secretariat requests confirmation, updating or nomination of designated IODE contact points on an annual basis. The lists of current IODE national coordinators for oceanographic data management and for marine information management can be consulted on-line at https://oceanexpert.org/group/59 and https://oceanexpert.org/group/60, respectively.

In addition, we invite those countries that have not yet established an IODE National Oceanographic Data Centre (NODC) or an IODE Associate Data Unit (ADU), to consider establishing this important facility. More information on the procedure to follow is available by contacting <u>p.pissierssens@unesco.org</u>.

I would be grateful if you could forward any changes/designations of your national contacts and any information on the establishment of NODCs and ADUs by **1st October 2024**, to Mr Peter Pissierssens, Head of the IOC Project Office for IODE, by e-mail to p.pissierssens@unesco.org.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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