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TECHNICAL SCIENCE MEETING “A WARMING OCEAN IN THE
TROPICAL AMERICAS AND CARIBBEAN REGION” AND DIALOGUE
(Brasilia, April 22, 2025)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

HRS.	TOPIC
09:00 – 11:00	SESSION ON IOC AND THE FUTURE OF THE OCEAN
TECHNICAL SCIENCE MEETING (Moderator: Ms Lorna Veronica Inniss, IOCARIBE Regional Coordinator)	
11:00 – 12:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome – IOCARIBE Chair, Dr Marck Oduber, Aruba Aruba – Former Minister of Environment, Ursel Arends, “The Rights of Nature, including the Ocean” Presentation, “A Warming Ocean in the Tropical Americas and Caribbean Region” – Decade Collaborative Center for Coastal Resilience – Nadia Pinardi Brazil – Professor Ronoldo Christofolletti, “The Ocean and Us” Antigua and Barbuda – Climate Ambassador, Ruleta Camacho “National Impacts and Solutions - Gaps in Ocean Science” Curacao – Jonathan Zoetrum, Meteorological Department “A New Approach: Early Warning System for Curacao”
12:30 – 14:00	LUNCH
14:00 – 15:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology: Dr David Farrell & Dr Cedric van Meerbeeck, “Ocean-Atmospheric Interactions and Climate Services” Mexico – Carlos R Torres, “Impacts of a Warming Ocean and National Solutions” Presentation: Professor Michael Taylor, “State of the Caribbean Climate”, University of the West Indies UNESCO-IOC (IOCARIBE) – Alejandro Rojas, “Marine Spatial Planning and Climate Change” Trinidad and Tobago – Deputy Director, Institute of Marine Affairs, Dr Rahanna Juman “National Impacts and Solutions”
15:45 – 16:00	COFFEE BREAK
16:00 – 16:30	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Guatemala – Andrea Jose Paz Barrillas, “Two warming oceans: Guatemala’s Coastal and Marine Climate Change Challenges” Aruba – Dr Ryan Peterson, “CORVI Project” United Kingdom – Professor William Austin, “Update on the Work and Progress of the UN Ocean Decade Programme for Blue Carbon (GO-BC)” UNESCO-IOC (IOCARIBE) – Dr Marko Tomic, “Ocean Modeling for Science-Policy Integration.” Barbados – Mr Fabian Hinds, “National Impacts and Solutions” <p>Open discussion on “The Science we Need for the Ocean we Want.” How can UNESCO-IOC support Member States with Ocean Science to combat the effects of A Warming Ocean?</p>