



Global Ocean Observing System



GOOS Steering Committee meeting

December 3 2025

1 Opening

Chairs: GOOS Steering Committee Co-chairs, Bala Nair and David Legler

Agenda:

- 1) Opening (5 min)
- 2) Approval of OCG co-chairs (10 min)
- 3) Focus and feedback on GOOS reform proposal (75 min)
 - a) Intro
 - b) Mission and value proposition
 - c) Key structural changes
 - d) Feedback and discussion
- 4) Next meeting

2 Approval of OCG Co-chairs

In line with its [Terms of Reference](#), the GOOS Observations Coordination Group is seeking approval from the GOOS Steering Committee to appoint the following as its two new Co-Chairs.



Dr. Juliet Hermes

Manager and Principal Oceanographer at South African Environmental Observation Network (NRF-SAEON) and directs the South African Polar Research Infrastructure (SAPRI). Served as as Vice Chair of OCG Standards and Best Practices. Looking forward she sees important work for OCG in cross network design and responding to requirements, and in further developing some of the building blocks across data, OceanOPS and best practices.



Prof. Edmo Campos

Professor Emeritus University of São Paulo, Brazil (retired). Long career in oceanography, PI for major observing projects, including the South Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (SAMOC), and bringing the PIRATA Program in the Tropical Atlantic, into life. Was an early member of the OOPC and has a vision for getting more observing communities globally connected to the GOOS networks.

3 Focus and feedback on GOOS reform proposal

Slides available here: [GOOS Reform presentation](#)

4 Next meeting

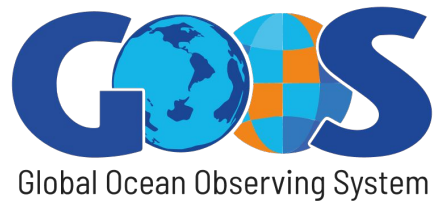
Suggested date for next SC meeting:

February 5, 2026

09:00 - 10:30 and 17:00 - 18:30 (CET)

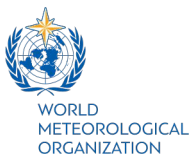
Updates and preparation for SC-15





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