



INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION
(of UNESCO)

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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. OPENING

2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

2.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
[Rule of Procedure 8]

2.2 DESIGNATION OF THE RAPPORTEUR
[Rule of Procedure 25.4]

2.3 ESTABLISHMENT OF SESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS
[Rule of Procedure 12]

2.4 INTRODUCTION OF TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION
[Rule of Procedure 11, Dec. EC-55/5.3, A-31/3.2]

2.5 ROGER REVELLE MEMORIAL LECTURE
[IOC-XXVI/3]

3. IOC MATTERS AND REPORTS

3.1 REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ON THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED
SINCE THE THIRTY-THIRD SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY (July 2025–May 2026)
[Rule of Procedure 49.1]

will also present:

- The 3rd edition of the *Global Ocean Science Report* and the *2026 State of the Ocean Report*
- Report on the Implementation of the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021–2030)
- Progress report of the Working Group on Advancing Ocean Data Sharing for Sustainable Development in areas within national jurisdiction
- Draft proposal by the GOOS Steering Committee on the Ship-of-Opportunity Programme

3.2 WARNING AND MITIGATION SYSTEMS FOR OCEAN HAZARDS

[Rule of Procedure 48.3]

3.2.1 Regional Early Warning Services

3.2.2 Global Coordination of Warning and Mitigation for Ocean Hazards

3.3 GLOBAL OCEAN OBSERVING SYSTEM (GOOS) GOVERNANCE

[Dec. A-32/4.8.1, EC-57/4.1, A-33/4.5.1]

3.4 GLOBAL SEA-LEVEL OBSERVING SYSTEM (GLOSS) IMPLEMENTATION PLAN 2026–2030

[Resolution EC-XXXIII.9 Annex 1]

3.5 DEVELOPMENT OF AN IOC DATA ARCHITECTURE

[Dec. A-33/3.4.3]

3.6 JOINT WMO-IOC COLLABORATIVE BOARD (JCB) STRATEGIC ADVICE ON JOINT WORK TO ACHIEVE COMMON OBJECTIVES

[Res. XXX-2, Dec. A-33/4.6]

3.7 REPORT OF THE IOC WORKING GROUP ON BIODIVERSITY BEYOND NATIONAL JURISDICTION

[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.4; Dec. A-32/4.8.2; Dec. A-33/4.5.3]

3.8 REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE IOC GROUPS OF EXPERTS ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT AND ON OCEAN LITERACY: OUTPUTS OF JOINT WORK AND MECHANISMS DEVELOPED FOR ALIGNMENT

[Dec. A-33/4.2; A-33/4.4]

4. GOVERNANCE, PROGRAMMING AND BUDGETING (IOC Resolutions A-33/3 & A-33/1)

4.1 PROGRAMME AND BUDGET 2026–2027 (43 C/5)

4.2 REVIEW OF GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCESSES

[Res. EC-57/2; Res A-33/3(III)]

4.2.1 Update on progress and next steps

4.2.2 Review of the working methods of IOC Governing Bodies

4.2.3 New IOC Communication Strategy

4.3 IOC AND THE FUTURE OF THE OCEAN CONSULTATION PROCESS

[Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2.Doc(1); Res. XXX-3; Dec. IOC/EC-55/3.2 ; Res. EC-57/2; Res. A-33/3(IV)]

4.3.1 Phase II report and proposal for Phase III

**4.3.2 Vision for strengthening IOCAFRICA and other
IOC Regional Subsidiary Bodies**

[Res. A-33/1]

4.4 DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET 2028–2029 (44 C/5) – PRELIMINARY PROPOSAL FROM THE SECRETARIAT

4.5 REPORT BY THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE FINANCIAL COMMITTEE

[Statutes Art. 1.2]

**5. PREPARATION OF THE NEXT SESSIONS OF THE ASSEMBLY
AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

[Dec. A-33/5.6; Res A-33/3(III)]

**6. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND MODALITIES
FOR THE FINALISATION OF THE REPORT**

[Statutes, Art. C.7; Rule of procedure 19.2]

7. CLOSURE