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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

This Annotated Provisional Agenda provides the information necessary for effective participation in the discussion of the agenda items. This information includes: (i) identification of relevant documentation; (ii) identification, under each substantive agenda item, of the issue before the Sub Commission and the expected decision; (iii) background information (separate information documents which will be made available).
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1. WELCOME AND OPENING

The Chair of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States, Dr Monde Mayekiso will call the meeting to order at 09h00 on Wednesday, 03 April 2013, and welcome the delegates and other participants. The participants will be addressed by Vice Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape, Prof. B. O’Connell, the IOC Executive Secretary, Dr Wendy Watson-Wright, and the Chair of IOC Prof S.K. Byun before the official opening by Hon. E. Molewa, the Minister of Water and Environment of South Africa. The Provisional List of Participants attending the present session is in Document IOC-Africa I /5 prov.

The Opening Statements will be in Annex III of the Summary Report.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION

2.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

[Rule of Procedure 8]

*Working documents:* IOC-Africa II/1 Prov. rev Provisional Agenda

IOC-Africa II/2 Annotated Provisional Agenda (*this document*)

The Provisional Agenda (Document IOC-Africa II/1 Prov.) was distributed together with IOC Circular Letter No 2475 (to Member States and Organizations) dated 18 February 2013. This has been revised based on responses from Member States.

**DECISION 2.1:** The Sub Commission will be invited to adopt the Revised Provisional Agenda as amended at the present session, including invited presentations from four universities located in Cape Town, South Africa.

2.2 DESIGNATION OF THE RAPPORTEUR FOR THE SESSION

[Rule of Procedure 25.4]

**DECISION 2.2:** The Sub Commission will also be invited to designate a Rapporteur to assist in the preparation of the Draft Summary Report, in line with Rule of Procedure 25.4

2.3 CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIME TABLE AND DOCUMENTATION.

*Working documents:* IOC-Africa I/1 Prov. rev Provisional Timetable

IOC-Africa I/4 Prov. Provisional List of Documents

IOC-Africa I/2 Annotated Provisional Agenda (*this document*)

The Chair will inform the Sub Commission that though the session will work in plenary as much as possible, Sessional Working Groups will be established as required to address specific agenda items. The Sessional Working Groups may draft recommendations for adoption by the Sub Commission where necessary.

**DECISION 2.3:** The Sub Commission will be invited to constitute the a sessional working
The Technical Secretary for the Session, Mr Mika Odido, will review briefly the list of Working Documents and will remind the Sub Commission that the report will be concise and focused on decisions. Member States that wish to have specific, particularly important, plenary interventions recorded will be invited to provide written records thereof in one of the two working languages of the Session, to be annexed to the report, in their original language as an informational document only.

The Chair will then invite the Sub Commission to work according to the Revised Provisional Timetable taking into account: (i) any Sub Commission decision to constitute sessional working groups; (ii) the time likely to be required by those groups to report, if requested to do so, to the plenary; (iii) the time required for preparation of the Draft Summary Report and Recommendations; and (iv) the need to benefit from the interpretation service available.

The Chair will draw the attention of the Sub Commission to the practical arrangements for the session, including the working times and social events that will be taking place during the session.

INVITED PRESENTATION I: NELSON MANDELA METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY

3. PRESENTATION ON IOC ACTIVITIES IN AFRICA 2008-2013.

Information: Report on IOC activities 2008 - 2013

The IOC Executive Secretary will present an overview of the activities implemented by the Commission in Africa during the current IOC Medium Term planning period (34 C4).

DECISION 3: The Sub Commission will be invited to comment on the report of IOC Activities in Africa during the period 2008-2013, and provide guidance on how existing programmes and collaborations should be carried forward into the new medium term planning period 2014-2021.

4. UNESCO AND IOC PLANNING PROCESS 37C4 AND 37C5

Information: Draft 37 C5 Major Programme II IOC

The 45th session of the IOC Executive Council decided to reconstitute the open ended group Intersessional Financial Advisory Group (IFAG) under the leadership of a Vice-Chair to further develop the Draft IOC Medium-Term Strategy for 2014–2021 and draft Programme Objectives and Expected Outcomes for 2014–2017, to be submitted to the Assembly at its 27th Session for approval. The Executive Council invited the IFAG to: (i) Minimize the number of high-level objectives, making them more strategic, aspirational and reflective of societal concerns, such as climate change and disaster risk reduction, (ii) Prioritize those strategic actions that reflect IOC’s unique mandate within the UN system, (iii) Recognize different mechanisms and partnerships for implementation for IOC.
The IOC Executive Secretary will provide an update on the UNESCO and IOC planning process and in particular the priority areas that have been identified and the expected results.

**DECISION 4:** The Sub Commission will be invited to comment on the draft UNESCO and IOC Medium Term Strategy and provide input for consideration by the 27th session of the IOC Assembly.

**INVITED PRESENTATION II: UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN CAPE.**

5. **DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE SUB-COMMISSION.**


The Chair will introduce this item, referring to the Decision EC-XLV/Dec 2.3-IV of the 45th session of the IOC Executive Council on Regional Subsidiary Bodies, which accepted the Executive Summary Report of the first session of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States (IOCAFRIA-I/3s) and the recommendations contained therein, including Recommendation IOCAFRIA-I.1 which: (i) Established an Intersessional Working Group comprising of the IOCAFRIA Chair and three Vice Chairs IOC Vice-Chair Group V and experts co-opted as necessary to develop the draft Strategic Plan for the Sub Commission, (ii) Recommended that the Intersessional Working Group undertakes wide consultation taking into account the current challenges and the regional and international framework within which the Sub Commission was created, in order to come up with the appropriate draft; and (iii) Requested the IOC secretariat to provide support to the Intersessional Working Group, including the preparation of background documentation and the organization of two meetings to enable the working group to finalize its task before the next session of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States.

The Technical Secretary will then provide an overview of the draft Strategic Plan prepared by the Intersessional Working Group, which will be reviewed by the session as follows:

(i) Background Information
(ii) Situation Analysis (Issues, Challenges, and Opportunities)
(iii) International and Regional Frameworks
(iv) Mission and Vision
(v) Strategic Objectives
(vi) Priority Issues and Expected Results
(vii) Means of Delivery, and
(viii) Monitoring and Evaluation.

**DECISION 5:** The Sub Commission will be invited to review and revise each element of the draft Strategic Plan for the period 2014-2021, and adopt a final version for submission to the 27th session of the IOC Assembly for consideration.
INVITED PRESENTATION III: CAPE TOWN PENINSULA UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY.


Presentations will be made on on-going activities including:

(i) progress with capacity assessment,

(ii) Ocean Observations in the framework of GOOS Africa and the report of an Informal consultation of GOOS experts on sustained ocean observations and services in Africa

(iii) Status report on ODINAFRICA and development of follow-up proposal

(iv) Development of a regional node for the Ocean Teacher Academy

The Chair of the sessional Working Group on Work Plan and Budget will report to the Sub Commission on the groups work during the current session. The Sub Commission will be invited to consider the proposed programme and budget as well as mechanisms for implementation.

DECISION 6.: The Sub Commission will be invited to adopt the draft recommendation on the IOC Africa-II Work Plan 2014-2017, and Budget for 2014-2015.

INVITED PRESENTATION IV: UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN.

7. COOPERATION WITH OTHER PROJECTS, PROGRAMMES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

Information: Reports of activities of projects, programmes and organizations.

UNESCO/IOC has always recognised the importance of collaboration with other projects, programmes, and organisations in the field of marine sciences. To this end IOC has implemented activities in the region jointly with other organizations. This includes, but is not limited to ASCLME, the African Union, Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association, UNEP, CORDIO, RECOMAP, CLIVAR and IMBER.

The representatives of other projects, programmes and organizations will be invited to present their activities in the region, including potential for collaboration. These include:

(i) Benguela Current Commission
(ii) Indian Ocean Commission
(iii) African Union Commission
(iv) Agulhas Somali Current Large Marine Ecosystem (ASCLME) project
(v) Canary Current Large Marine Ecosystem project
(vi) UNEP Regional Seas Programme  
(vii) KOICA  
(viii) Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA)  
(ix) Other Projects and Organisations

**DECISION 7.** The Sub Commission will be invited to explore opportunities for initiating and/or strengthening collaboration with other projects, programmes and organizations.

8. **ELECTIONS OF THE OFFICERS OF IOC- AFRICA**

The Sub Commission will be invited to elect a Chair and three Vice Chairs in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and the relevant portions of the Guidelines for Structure and Responsibilities of the Subsidiary Bodies of the Commission (IOC Manual, Part I, Section 5).

9. **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Sub Commission will address any other issues that will have been presented and agreed to by the Committee.

10. **DATES AND PLACES OF THE 3RD SESSION OF THE IOC-AFRICA SUB COMMISSION.**

The Sub Commission will be invited to advise the Executive Secretary IOC on the dates and places of the next session.

11. **ADOPTION OF THE DECISIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUMMARY REPORT**

The Chair of the Recommendations Working Group will report on the Group's work at the present session.

The Chair of the session will then invite the Sub Commission to adopt, in plenary, the Draft Recommendations and the Draft Summary Report of the Second Session of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States.

**Decision 11:** The Sub Commission will be invited to request the IOC Africa Chair to present the Recommendations and Summary Report of Second Session of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States to the 27th Session of the IOC Assembly, 26 June – 05 July 2013, UNESCO HQ, Paris, France.

12. **CLOSURE**

The Chair of the Session is expected to close the Second Session of the IOC Sub Commission for Africa and the Adjacent Island States (IOC-Africa II) at 17:00 on Thursday 04 April 2013.