Twenty-third Session of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation
(IGC/PTWS-XXIII)

Apia, Samoa

16 – 18 February 2009

DRAFT ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. WELCOME AND OPENING OF SESSION

   The Acting Chairman of the ICG/PTWS, Giorgio de la Torre will open the 23rd Session of the PTWS. He will welcome

   - His Excellency, the Associate Minister of the Ministry for the Natural Resources and the Environment MNRE of the Government of Samoa., Fonootoe Pierre Lauofo,

   His Excellency, the Chief Executive Officer of the MNRE, Tu’u’u Dr. Ieti Taulealo

   The Head of the Tsunami Unit of the Secretariat of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission IOC of UNESCO, Dr. Peter Koltermann representing the Assistant Director General of UNESCO and Executive Secretary of the IOC, Dr. Patricio Bernal.

   The Chairman will then invite the Representative of the ADG/IOC, Dr. Peter Koltermann to address the Meeting.

   The Chairman of the ICG/PTWS will then invite the Government of Samoa to address the meeting, H.E. the Associate Minister of the Ministry for the Natural Resources and the Environment MNRE of the Government of Samoa., Fonootoe Pierre Lauofo.

2. ORGANIZATION OF THE SESSION

   2.1 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

   The Chairman will introduce this item; ask for changes or amendments to the Draft Agenda, and finally ask the Meeting to approve the Agenda.

   ICG/PTWS-XXIII/1 Prov. Rev 1 Provisional Agenda (English only)

   2.2 DESIGNATION OF THE RAPPORTEUR

   The Chairman will ask the Meeting to nominate the Rapporteur of this Meeting.
2.3. CONDUCT OF THE SESSION, TIMETABLE AND DOCUMENTATION

The Technical Secretary of the PTWS will introduce this Item, present the documentation and inform about the local technical arrangements of the Secretariat.

The Chairman will then ask the representative of the Host of the 23rd Session of the ICG, Ms. Filomena Nelson, MNRE to inform the Meeting about local arrangements.

The Chairman then will introduce the Details of the Agenda, inform about how he will wish to conduct the Session.

He will then propose sessional Arrangements, such as

Statutory and suggested sessional groups:

→ Elections Commission

→ Recommendations Commission

→ Programme and Budget Commission

→ PTWS Medium Term Strategy + PTWS Working Group Structure and Overall Governance

→ Operational Users Guide for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (PTWS)

→ PTWS Implementation Plan

He then will ask for nominations for the Sessional Working Groups, and their respective chairs.

Finally he will inform the Meeting of the forth-coming Election of Officers, and remind the ICG of the deadline for nominations by Member States, and according to IOC Rules and Procedures in writing, as of today, February 16, 2009, at 18:00 hrs local time.

Forms for nominations are attached to
3. REPORT ON INTERSESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

3.1. IOC EXECUTIVE SECRETARY’S REPORT
The Chair will ask the Head of the Tsunami Unit of the IOC, Dr. Peter Koltermann to present the subject.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/8 ICG/PTWS Secretariat's report (English)

3.2. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT
The Chair will present his Report for the intersessional period 2007 – 2009.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/6 Chairman's Report (English)

IOC/ICG-PTWS-XXII/Inf.4 ICG/PTWS Steering Committee First Meeting Report

3.3. PTWS SECRETARIAT REPORT
The Chair will ask the Head of the Tsunami Unit of the IOC, Dr. Peter Koltermann to present the subject.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/8 ICG/PTWS Secretariat's report (English)

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/9 ICG/PTWS Recommendations Status Report (English)

3.3.1 ITIC’S REPORT
The Chair will ask the Director of UNESCO/IOC’s International Tsunami Information Center, Dr. Laura Kong to present her report.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/7 ITIC Report (English)

3.4. WORKING GROUP REPORTS
The Chair will ask the Chairman of the Working Group, Cmdr. Andres Enriquez, to present the report of the Working Group V

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/11 Working Group V: Sub regional Working Group for the South West Pacific (English)

Then the Chair will ask the Chairman of the Working Group VII, Dr. Ken Gledhill, to present the Report of the recent Meeting of the Working Group here in Apia, Samoa.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/12 Working Group VII: Sub regional Working Group for the South East Pacific (English)
3.5. NATIONAL PROGRESS REPORTS
The Technical Secretary will introduce the subject. The Chair will remind the Meeting that reports have been requested in a standard format, and have been received in advance of the Session. They have been made available in due time to the Meeting. He will ask Delegates, if they so wish, to make short presentations focused on topics in their National Reports they may wish to highlight or enlarge upon.

3.6. WARNING & ADVISORY SERVICES REPORT
The Chair will introduce the Item, reminding the Meeting of the importance of accepting and reviewing the reports of the PTWS Warning Centres, and inviting comments by the Meeting.

3.6.1 PTWC
The Chair will ask the Director of the PTWC, Dr. Charles McCreery to present his report.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/10-1 Warning & Advisory Services Report, PTWC and NWPTAC (English only)

3.6.2 JMA
The Chair will ask the Director of the NMPTWC, Mr. Yohei Hasegawa, to present his report.

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/10-2 Warning & Advisory Services Report, PTWC and NWPTAC (English only)

3.6.3 Report on PacWave08, Director PTWC
The Chair will ask the Chairman of the Task Team, the Director of the PTWC, Dr. Charles McCreery to present his report.

IOC/INF 1254 Exercise Pacific Wave ‘08: Summary Report

3.7. STATUS OF PROGRESS IN OTHER ICGs
The Technical Secretary will report on the subject.

3.8. REPORTS FROM UN AND NON UN ORGANISATIONS
The Chair will ask representatives of UN and other Organizations to report to the Meeting.
4. POLICY MATTERS

The Chair will introduce the item, noting that decisions and actions that reflect the state of the PTWS and its performance and that provide guidance to the ICG for its development are formulated in three key documents. He will also note that they have been produced in response to discussions held at the 1st Meeting of the PTWS Steering Committee. These discussions took into account the deliberations of the IOC Working Group on Tsunamis and Other Hazards related to Sea Level Warning and Mitigation Systems (TOWS-WG) which is charged to review the organization and governance of the four Tsunami Warning Systems the IOC has been mandated to establish and co-ordinate.

The documents will presented, commented on by Member States, and finally adopted.

4.1. ADOPTION OF THE PTWS MEDIUM-TERM STRATEGY 2009-2014

[Recommendation PTWS XXII.6]

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/13 PTWS MEDIUM TERM STRATEGY

4.2 ADOPTION OF THE PTWS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

[RECOMMENDATION PTWS XXII.6]

IOC Technical Series, 86 PTWS Implementation Plan, 2009 (English only)

4.3 WORKING GROUP STRUCTURE AND OVERALL GOVERNANCE ------

[RECOMMENDATION PTWS XXII.6]

ICG/PTWS-XXIII/14 PTWS WORKING GROUP STRUCTURE AND OVERALL GOVERNANCE

4.3.1. DELIVERABLES

The Chair will introduce the Item, review the Workplan as decided by the 1st Meeting of the Steering Committee of the PTWS.

4.3.2. REVIEW OF TERMS-OF-REFERENCE OF WORKING GROUPS

The Chair will introduce the Item and invite comments by Member States. The meeting will be asked to adopt the document.

4.3 SECRETARIAT TO ICG/PTWS
The Chair will invite the Secretariat to inform the Meeting about developments in the PTWS Secretariat and plans for its future.

5. PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

The Chair will invite the Chair of the Sessional Working Group on Programme and Budget to present the Report, and ask the Secretariat to provide further explanations.

6. NEXT MEETING

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6.1. CONFIRMATION OF DATE AND PLACE OF ICG/PTWSXXIV

The Chair will invite interventions from Member States on the subject; he will recall that at PTWS XXII the Government of Japan indicated its willingness to host the session XXIV Session. However, he has been advised that for internal reasons Japan is not longer able to pursue this option. He will ask for guidance or offers from the floor.

6.2. TARGET DATE FOR ICG/PTWSXXV
The Chair will invite expressions of interest to host the 25th Session of the ICG/PTWS, recalling the commemorative aspects of this Session. The ICG is invited to discuss and comment on these expressions, and the date and venue of this Session.

7. OFFICERS ELECTIONS
The Chair will hand over the chair of this part of the Meeting to the Chair of the Election Committee. The Chair will ask the Technical Secretary to remind the Meeting of the Rules and Procedures for the Election of Officers. The Chair will then present the Report of the Sessional Working Group, and request from the ICG indications on how Member States wish to proceed with Elections.

He will finally announce the results of the Elections, welcome the new Chair who will take office after the Closure of this Session. He will then ask the Acting Chair, to return to the Chair.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9. ADOPTION OF DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10. CLOSE OF THE MEETING