



WESTPAC Programme/ Project/Working Group

WORKING GROUP

TRADITIONAL AND LOCAL OCEAN KNOWLEDGE

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Guidelines



What

To take stock of the **implementation status** and further catalyze ocean science solutions for sustainable development, this ppt template is designed to:

- Gather information on the **current development status** of the WESTPAC Programme/Project/Working Group, particularly since the Fourteenth Session of the IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific (WESTPAC-XIV) in *April 2023*.
- More importantly, assess its **future development**, along with **potential action plans** for future implementation, i.e., for the period of *2025-2026 and beyond*.

Why

- The Information will facilitate considerations concerning how to harness, stimulate and empower interdisciplinary ocean research that can increase our understanding and inform policy and decision-making.
- It will also aid in improving programme efficiency and effectiveness that will serve the requirement of Member States and the Sub-Commission as a whole.

How

Filling out the following slides, which should not take much time, and return the completed slides to iocwestpac@unesco.org by **20 September 2024**. We appreciate your kind cooperation.

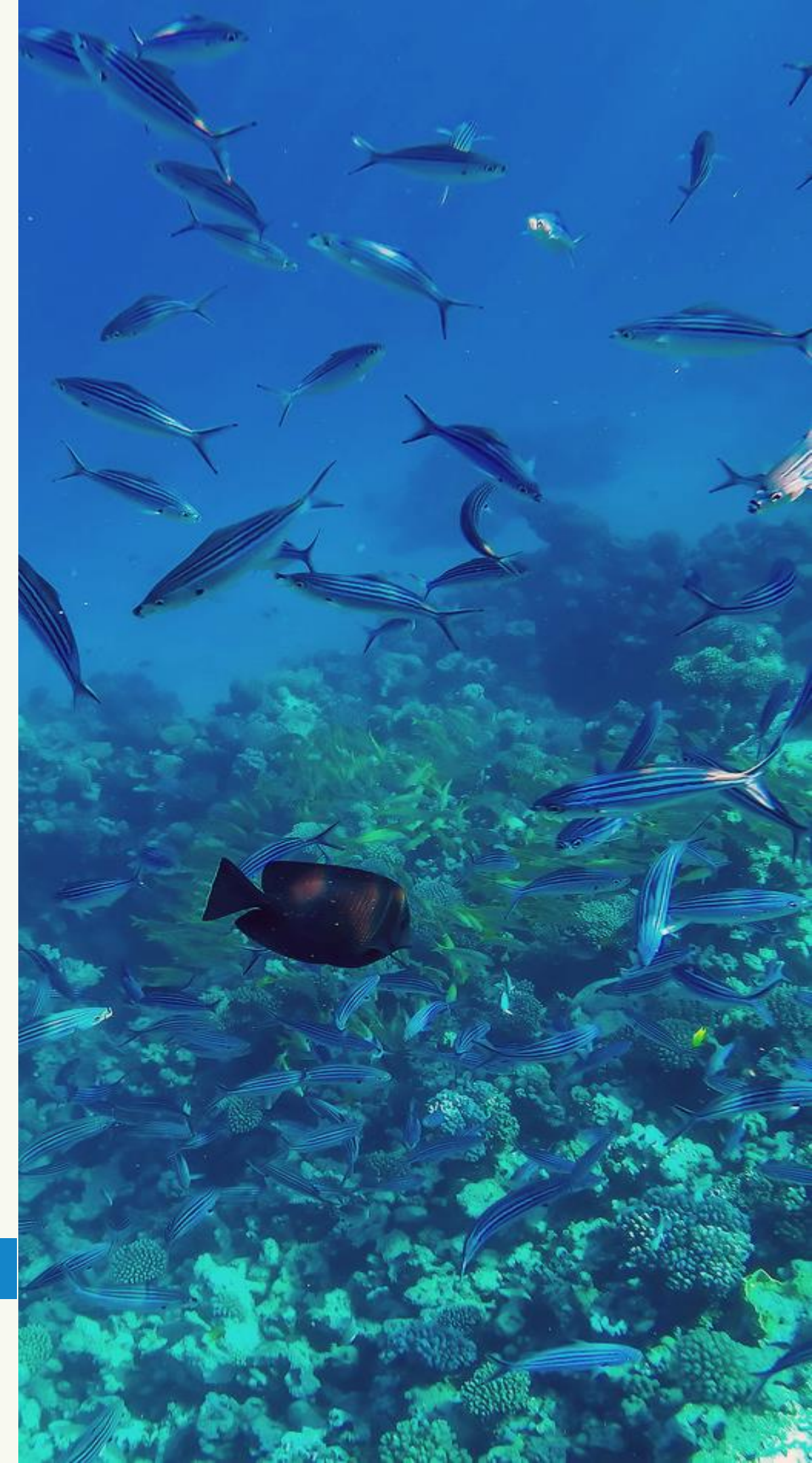
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Summary Outline



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4. Problems encountered and recommended actions
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1. Justification

(Why this programme/project/working group is needed for the Sub-Commission)



For UN Ocean Decade moving forward:

- TLK plays important part in changing people's behavior under Ocean Literacy Action: A sustainable innovative approaches for making campaign to grow awareness, build knowledge and drive action to restore and protect the ocean;

To the region:

- TLK is the vein for building community resilience in the region based on "community-led" collaborative on local environments and resources stewardship;
- TLK will support the route to sustainable ocean management based on "knowledge-based" ocean policy and "community-based" action or implementation;

2. Objectives



The overarching goal of the WG is to promote and incorporate traditional and local knowledge of the ocean in communities, particularly in coastal communities, into Ocean Literacy Action Programs to realize Outcome 7th of the ocean decade

Objectives:

- 1) Networking and inventorying of local communities' and traditional peoples' knowledge connected to ocean;
- 2) Developing and exchanging showcases and lesson learned based on the success stories of local communities' and traditional peoples' knowledge connected to ocean;
- 3) Building a strategic action programs of 5 years ocean literacy action based on local example/showcase to encourage communities changing their practices and habits, helping the conservation of ecosystems, biodiversity and human health to improve ocean health, as well as promoting their traditional knowledges and best practices in pro-ocean activity.

3. Major activities, outputs & outcomes



Latest accomplishment, particular those during 2023 to 2024

Major activities

- Socialization the Working Group to other regional initiative fora related to Ocean Literacy, such as APEC Blue Citizen and AIS Form and Global OECM (Other Effective Area based Conservation Measure);
- Inventorying of local communities' and traditional peoples' knowledge connected to ocean in Indonesia;
- Study on previous and current ocean literacy action based on traditional and local ocean knowledge in Indonesia.

Timeframe

Project start year: 2024

Outputs & Outcomes

- New WG member from PRC and Brunei Darussalam;
- Database of local communities' and traditional people's knowledge in Indonesia;
- 2 (two) showcase candidates for ocean literacy action based on traditional and local ocean knowledge in Indonesia.

4. Problems encountered & recommended actions



Problems encountered

- The changes in the organization of the IOC Indonesia National Committee in 2023, along with the new policy of BRIN, which serves as the governing body for the IOC Indonesia National Committee, have resulted in significant challenges in carrying out the activities of various Working Groups (WGs), particularly those related to coordination with regional WG members;
- In accordance with the revised organizational structure of the IOC Indonesia National Committee, the NDC is no longer recognized as a subcommittee, and the TLK WG is no longer a priority area for the Committee.

Actions

- We propose that the implementation of the TLK WG no longer be directly under the IOC National Committee, but rather be implemented directly by i-MAR. i-MAR is the Institute of International Research Cooperation on Ocean, Maritime and Fisheries, a collaborative research institute at Bogor Agricultural University that has an Ocean Literacy program...

Timeframe

Project start year: 2023

5. Strategic considerations/thoughts for future development



To expand participation and secure greater resource support from other regional institutions, it is essential to consider the following strategic actions:

- Collaborative action with AIS Forum (Archipelagic and Island States Forum) to develop and implement joint Ocean Literacy initiatives. These initiatives take the form of training programs and workshops.
- Collaborate with other potential regional initiatives, such as Blue Citizen and OECCM.

6. Potential action plans for future implementation

for the period of 2025-2026 and beyond

- Developing Database of local communities' and traditional peoples' knowledge connected to ocean in the region;
- Seminar/Workshop on the Ocean Literacy Action based-on community-led traditional and local ocean knowledge in Western Pacific Region;;
- Develop Ocean literacy action project proposal for 2025-2030



Planned activities



Program	Plan				Funding Required		Remark
	Activities	Objectives	Expected outputs/outcomes	Date and place	IOC	Other sources (i.e. from national or international)	
	1.FGD	Developing Database of TLK	Database/Map of TKL in the region	2025	USD 4,000		
	2.Seminar/ Worshop	Building showcase community-led Ocean Literacy Action	Showcase model /lesson-learned on community-led ocean literacy action based-on TLK	2025		USD 10,000	AIS and OECM
	3. FGD	Develop Ocean literacy action project proposal for 2025-2030	5 years project proposal	2025	USD 4,000		



Thank You

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