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(of UNESCO)

Sixteenth Intergovernmental Session of the IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific (WESTPAC-XVI)

Hangzhou, China, 10-12 November 2026

TENTATIVE TIMETABLE[1]

	Monday 9 November	Tuesday 10 November	Wednesday 11 November	Thursday 12 November
0800-0900		Registration	Sessional Working Group meeting(s)	Sessional Working Group meeting(s)
0900-1040	Arrival of delegates and participants	**0900-1000** **1. Opening** 1.1 Welcoming Remarks 1.2 Keynote **1000-1030** Group photo and coffee break **1030-1230** **2. Organization of the Session** 2.1 Adoption of the Agenda 2.2 Conduct of the Session	Informal workshop on the "IOC and the Future of Ocean"	5.6 Methane Fluxes and their Impacts on Climate and Ecosystem in the Indo-Pacific Region (2025-2029) 5.7 UN 46: Collaborations for NWP Marine Ecosystem Prediction (COSMEC) **6. Review and Gap Analysis, Aligned with the IOC HLOs** 6.1 Healthy ocean and sustained ocean ecosystem services 6.2 Effective warning systems and preparedness for tsunamis and other ocean-related hazards
1040-1100			Coffee break	Coffee break
1100-1230		**3. Statutory Reports** 3.1 Statement of the Chairperson 3.2 WESTPAC Office's Report 3.3 Recent Development of UNESCO and IOC *3.3.1 IOC Executive Secretary's Report, including IOC Governance and Management Processes*	Informal workshop on the "IOC and the Future of Ocean"	6.3 Resilience to climate change and contribution to its mitigation, including eCORE-SEAS with CoastPredict 6.4 Scientifically founded services for the sustainable ocean economy 6.5 Foresight on emerging ocean science issues **7. Review of the Draft Regional Blueprint**
1230-1400		**Lunch break**	**Lunch break**	**Lunch break**
1400-1540	WESTPAC Advisory Group meeting **Venue**: TBD **Time:** 1400-1730	*3.3.2 IOC and the Future of the Ocean, including the Phase II Report and Proposal for Phase III* *3.3.3 IOC Draft Programme and Budget for 2028-2029 (44 C/5)* **4. Strategic Development** 4.1 Role of IOC in the Implementation of BBNJ 4.2 IOC Implementation of SOPM Strategy 4.3 UN Ocean Decade Global Development	*4.4.4 UN 23: Transformation in CD-RTRCs Network* *4.4.5 UN 24: CSK-2* *4.4.6 UN 39: Ocean Solutions in the East Asian Seas* *4.4.7 UN 42: The WESTPAC International Marine Science Conferences* *4.4.8 UN 46: Collaborations for NWP Marine Ecosystem Prediction (COSMEC)- to be presented under 5.7* **5. Implementation of Decisions Taken at the Last Session (WESTPAC-XV, March 2025, Tokyo, Japan)**	**7. Review of the Draft Regional Blueprint (Con'd)** **8. Establishment of new WESTPAC Programmes/Projects/Working Groups** **9. Biennial Workplan and Budget (2028-2029)** **10. Key Conclusions to Inform Phase 3 Consultation Process for ' IOC and the Future of the Ocean'**
1540-1600		Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break
1600-1740		4.4 Contribution of the Sub-Commission to the Decade *4.4.1 An Overview* *4.4.2 UN 21: Accelerating MSP in the Region, including the Regional Action Framework (2025-2030)* *4.4.3 UN 22: Asia's Riverine Plastic Emission* **(Deadline for Officers Nominations)**	5.1 *Pre*parations of the 3rd UN Ocean Decade Regional Conference & 12th WESTPAC IMSC (20-23 April 2027, the Philippines) 5.2 Task Force on BBNJ (2025-2027) 5.3 Task Force on Ocean Literacy (2025-2027) *5.4* Working Group on Seagrass Research, Monitoring, and Conservation (2025-2028) *5.5* Working Group on Mangrove Restoration (2025-2028)	**11. Elections** **12. Date and Place of the Next Session** **13. Other Matters** **14. Adoption of Action Points, and Recommendations if any** **15. Closure**
1830		NETWORK ACTIVITY		NETWORK ACTIVITY

[1] This timetable may be subject to further modifications.