

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of Indian Ocean Global Ocean Observing System (IOGOOS)**  
**March 25, 2022 in between 1030 - 1500 Hrs UTC**  
**MS Teams Meeting Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)**

**Annotated Agenda for IOGOOS General Body Meeting (Closed meeting)**

13:00 – 15:00 Hrs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. IOGOOS Annual Meeting. (Chair, Dr T. Srinivasa Kumar, Interim Chair IOGOOS)<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1.1. Welcome by Chair, IOGOOS <i>Dr. T. Srinivasa Kumar, Interim Chair, IOGOOS will welcome the annual general body and provides his opening remarks, if any</i></li><li>1.2. Presentation of Secretariat Report and Accounts and Financial Summary of IOGOOS by Secretariat <i>Mr. M. Nagaraja Kumar, Co-Secretary, IOGOOS will provide the details of the activities being taken up by the Secretariat since last annual meeting. The Financial statement of the bank accounts being operated is being tabled to the annual body. The annual body may nominate an officer to verify the accounts, seek clarifications, if any and approve the financial statements.</i></li><li>1.3. Confirmation of new memberships, if any and proposal by IOGOOS Chair. <i>Oceans Institute of University of Western Australia showed interest to join IOGOOS and has been working on the procedures involved in signing of the MoU.</i></li><li>1.4. Elections of Chair IOGOOS, Officers if any <i>Post last annual meeting, the nominations were sought for the position of Officer representing Central Indian Ocean, that became vacant, post stepdown of Chair, IOGOOS (Dr. S.S.C. Shenoi) due to his retirement. Dr. T. Srinivasa Kumar has been elected through nomination process and was elected as the Officer of Central Indian Ocean. As communicated to the IOGOOS Members via email, Officer's meeting was held to select the Chair, IOGOOS. The officers have requested Dr. T. Srinivasa Kumar to act as Chair, IOGOOS during the interim period up to next Annual Meeting. The decision of the Chair, IOGOOS position need to be ratified.</i></li><li>1.5. Nomination from IOGOOS to the position of IIOE-2 Co-Chair <i>Dr. S. S. C. Shenoi who was the incoming chair at the time of IOGOOS 13 was nominated as the representative of IOGOOS on IIOE-2 Vice-Chair. Due to retirement of Dr. Shenoi, he would like to stepdown. IOGOOS need to nominate its representative to the position of Vice-Chair of IIOE-2.</i></li><li>1.6. Discussions on the IRF Secretariat post the cessation of IOC PRPO office <i>The operations of IOC Perth Regional Programme Office headed by Dr. Nick D'Adamo were halted due to closure of the office and hence</i></li></ol></li></ol>
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*the position of Convener of IRF and the secretariat support to IRF were halted. Dr. Nick D' Adamo has informed the same to IOGOOS and preliminary discussions were held on the status and position of IRF formulation.*

- *It was recollected from the Annual Report of the IOGOOS V meeting wherein the decision on the IRF Secretariat was taken by the IOGOOS Members. The section 8.3.5 discusses on the creation of a "club" of CEOs as a sub-committee of IOGOOS, that became the IRF, wherein (i) the Indian Ocean GOOS provides the broad framework for participation, though we note it is for IO agencies primarily and (ii) the Sub-Committee would be open. Secretariat support would be provided through the IOGOOS Secretariat and IOC Perth Regional Programme Office.*

- *Referral of the history of decisions taken, the IRF Secretariat is presently being supported by IOGOOS Secretariat on interim basis with the support of Dr. Nick D'Adamo (on voluntary basis). As IOGOOS Secretariat has to provide the support, the Secretariat has nominated Dr. Aneesh Lotliker to take the role of Convener of IRF and Dr. Nick D'Adamo kindly agreed to support until the transition of Convener and IRF Secretariat is formalised.*

- *The IOGOOS members from IO region may come forward with offer to host the IRF Secretariat and hence the same need to be discussed at IOGOOS Annul body meeting to formalize the terms of reference, roles and responsibilities of the convener and the IRF Secretariat, etc.*

#### **1.7. Discussions on IOGOOS Contributions to the UN Ocean Decade**

*During the IOGOOS 16<sup>th</sup> annual meeting it was decided that IOGOOS can contribute to the UN Ocean Decade activities that are of common interest in the region and to address the UN Decade challenges.*

*The IIOE-2 is one of the major contribution of IOGOOS to the UN Ocean Decade and a proposal has been submitted to the UN Ocean Decade for their consideration as Ocean Decade Activity, which is under consideration. The IIOE-2, IOGOOS, SCOR and IOC jointly organized the International Indian Ocean Science Conference (IIOSC)-2022 and hosted by INCOIS, NIO, NCPOR and Goa University during March 14-18,2022 virtually. This is one of the endorsed event of UN Ocean Decade. A dedicated technical session on "IIOE-2 contribution to sustainable development: toward the UN Decade of ocean science" and a Plenary session & Panel Discussion on "Contribution to United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development" was also arranged.*

*More detailed discussions on further course of actions and implementation plans to be made.*

#### **1.8. Discussions on taking up of new projects of Interest to the region**

*The existing pilot projects Modelling for Ocean Forecasting and Process Studies (MOFPS) and the Indian Ocean Core Remote Sensing Project are being continued as pilot projects. The MOFPS project is still of the interest to the Indian Ocean communities and is considered*

*as the essential component and the necessity was felt during recent brainstorming session that the project should be continued and further taken towards an operational service with necessary capacity building of the region.*

*The Indian Ocean Core Remote Sensing Project presently has no progress except that the IOGOOS Secretariat through its host institute INCOIS is continuing to provide the high-resolution remote sensing products on daily basis. The need of these remote sensing products and the usage of the same by the member institutes need to be assessed and decisions may have to be arrived accordingly.*

- 1.9. Next meeting date, venue, and hosting - to be considered with joint input from IOGOOS, IORP, SIBER, IRF and IIOE-2 Co-Chairs  
*The next annual meeting venue and dates will be decided in conjunction with all leads of IORP, SIBER, IRF, IIOE-2.*

- 1.10. Any other final items