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(of UNESCO)  

Tenth Intergovernmental Session of the IOC Sub-Commission for the Western Pacific  
(WESTPAC-X)  

Phuket, Thailand, 12-15 May 2015  

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5.3.4 WG 004: Working Group on Marine Renewable Energy Technology Development

5.4 CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT FOR MARINE SCIENCE, OBSERVATIONS AND SERVICES

5.4.1 Development of the IOC Regional Network of Training and Research Centers
5.4.2 IOC Regional Training and Research Centre on Ocean Dynamics and Climate
5.4.3 IOC Strategic Plan for Capacity Development

5.5 RECOMMENDATION OF WESTPAC ADVISORY GROUP ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REGIONAL PROGRAMMES, PROJECTS AND WORKING GROUPS FOR MAY 2012 - MAY 2015

6. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF NEW PROGRAMME/PROJECT PROPOSALS, AND/OR NEW WESTPAC WORKING GROUPS AND THEIR TERMS OF REFERENCE

6.1 DEVELOPMENT OF A REGIONAL PROGRAM TO MONITOR THE ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS OF OCEAN ACIDIFICATION ON CORAL REEF ECOSYSTEMS
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6.4 INDO-PACIFIC OCEAN ENVIRONMENTAL VARIATION AND AIR-SEA INTERACTION
6.5 DEVELOPMENT OF THE INDO-PACIFIC OCEAN OBSERVATIONS AND SERVICES NETWORK (IPON)

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