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### **IOCINDIO** perspective

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## Indian Ocean Context: Priorities, Capacity, Programmes/Activities

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### **IOC Resolution A-32/1**

**IOCINDIO** from Regional Committee to an **IOC Sub-Commission** 

#### **Societal Drivers**

- > > 50 Nations around (mostly developing)
- o 2.5 Billion Population
- Rapid growth in blue economies and opportunities
- Agriculture Farming dependent on Monsoon
- o Marine Fisheries dependent on ocean conditions
- Coastal populations vulnerable to extreme weather events and climate change

#### **Science Drivers**

- Oxygen Minimum Zones
- Upwelling and Subduction Zones
- Major Heat flux components
- Tropical modes of the MJO
- Monsoon Intra-seasonal Oscillation
- IO Dipole (IOD) & IO Basin Mode (IOBM)
- Subtropical modes of Ningaloo Nino and Subtropical IOD
- Cyclogenesis and Climate Change

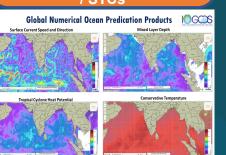
#### **Operational Drivers**

- Need for accurate and timely ocean forecasting services
- Operational Sub seasonal-to-Seasonal (S2S)
   Forecasting
- Improvement of Surface Fluxes
- Ocean data Assimilation Systems



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## **Key Recommendations of IOCINDIO to IOCON24**

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BUILDING on Local, National and Regional Capacity = EMPOWERMENT OF CAPACITY.

- Recognition & Acknoledgment that there is capacity in every nation and region including education and research centres, though uneven at various levels of development, and available resources, formal and non-formal corpus of knowledge systems (bring traditional knowledge through involvement of NGOs, local communities, and industry partners in ocean literacy and other ocean related programs).
- Shift from donors-clients approach to a truly international intellectual solidarity.
- Grassroot, ownership and leadership of local institutions and actors to serve as catalysts for empowerment of capacity at local, national and regional levels.
- Recognition and contributions of diasporas in the global knowledge production with opportunities for twinning and joint ventures between adopted and country of origin.
- o Inclusive and innovative apporach in the definition of matrix for the assessment of capacity.
- Co-design approach enabling local, national and regional education and traning institutions to serve as vehicles for capacity empowerment.
- Build on local, national, regional and global best practices: UNESCO Chairs and C2Cs, OTGA, other Regional Thematic Research and Education Centres.



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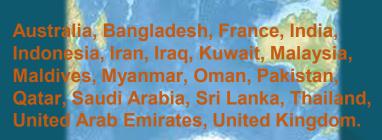
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- ☐ Several activities in the Indian Ocean region enable to bring the scientific community together □ Need to sustain critical support (by IOC, SCOR, etc.) and in-kind & financial resources by member states and partners ☐ Time to build on the capabilities in physical oceanographic observations and move towards Biogeochemical and Coastal observations □ Need to reinvigorate ocean data management programs such as the former ODINCINDIO in the current context of IODE, Digital Twins and Capacity Development Hub □ Need to design regional projects (Ocean Forecasting, etc) that
  - demonstrate the end-to-end operational ocean value chain to user communities
  - ☐ Proven and effective Capacity Development platforms such as POGO, regional cruises, ITCOocean C2C, and ChloroGIN as well as Open Challenges, Hackathons to be promoted

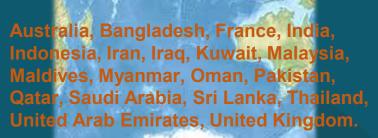
### **Key Recommendations of IOR Session at IOCON24**

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- □ Need to align existing and future initiatives with the UN Ocean Decade challenges Need for a scoping workshop to explore the linkages of existing programs with IOCINDIO sub-commission □ Continue involvement of ECOPs and integrate their thoughts into
- ☐ Continue involvement of ECOPs and integrate their thoughts into the present and future programs
- ☐ Bring traditional knowledge through involvement of NGOs, local communities, and industry partners in ocean literacy and other ocean related programs
- ☐ Knowledge creation through Programmes such as Future Earth & UN Ocean Decade Communities of Practice
- ☐ Take stock of current activities within MSs and their contribution towards SDGs.
- ☐ Inter-Regional joint venture on Coastal Vulnerability & Resilience towards UNOC'2025.



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