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To : Tsunami National Contacts (TNC) and Tsunami Warning Focal Points (TWFP) for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Panama

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Cc. : Official National Coordinating Bodies for liaison with the IOC,

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Director of the International Tsunami Information Centre (ITIC)

Director of the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation Center (PTWC)

Subject: Sixth Meeting of the Regional Working Group for Central America of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS), Heredia, Costa Rica, 24 April 2023

I have the honour to invite you to the above-mentioned meeting jointly hosted by Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO with the National University of Costa Rica. The IOC will provide funding for up to two participants per country.

This meeting is scheduled back-to-back with the Sixteenth Session of the ICG/CARIBE-EWS (25–28 April 2023) at the same venue, (please refer to IOC Circular letter 2936 for detail). Funding will also allow designated participants to attend the ICG/CARIBE EWS-XVI session.

By this circular letter, the TNCs of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Panama and CEPREDENAC are invited to nominate members of their delegations to the Sixth Meeting of the Regional Working Group for Central America of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS).

It is suggested to include in the national delegation a representative of the operational agency in charge of the tsunami early warning and the agency in charge of emergency preparedness and response. Nominations must be sent to Ms Céline Tiffay by email (<u>c.tiffay@unesco.org</u>), copied to Mr Angelos Haidar (<u>a.haidar@unesco.org</u>) no later than 24 March 2023.

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Please find attached to this letter the Provisional Agenda for the meeting. All relevant information concerning this meeting including the documentation and the list of participants will be available at the following website https://oceanexpert.org/event/3866

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

Vladimir Ryabinin Executive Secretary

Enclosure: Provisional Agenda

INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION (of UNESCO)

Sixth Meeting of the Regional Working Group for Central America of the Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the Pacific Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (ICG/PTWS)

Heredia, Costa Rica 24 April 2023

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. INTRODUCTION
- 2. REPORTS OF MEMBER STATES SINCE THE LAST MEETING (2021)
- 3. TSUNAMI READY IN THE REGION
- 4. STATUS OF THE CENTRAL AMERICA EARTHQUAKE EARLY WARNING (CAEEW) PROJECT
- 5. REPORT OF CENTRAL AMERICA TSUNAMI ADVISORY CENTRE (CATAC) AND NEXT STEPS
- 6. IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDING NEEDS AND OPORTUNITIES
- 7. RECOMMENDATIONS
- 8. ELECTIONS
- 9. CLOSURE