

Criteria and Selection Process for constituting membership to the Multi-stakeholder Working Group for developing the Western Indian Ocean Information Management Strategy

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Goal

Supporting the development of the Regional Information Management Strategy (IMS) for the Western Indian Ocean (WIO) by a Multi-Stakeholder Working Group (MSWG) of 24 persons composed of Nairobi Convention Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders in the region.

Selection/Engagement Process

- 1) **Each Contracting Party** shall designate, through the national focal point to the Nairobi Convention, one national representative competent in coastal and marine data management (10-12 participants)
- 2) **Non-state actors (NGOs, universities, and research institutions)** (10-12 participants) comprise institutions and organizations which naturally deal with and manage coastal and marine data and information in the Western Indian Ocean (WIO). Ideal criteria for the non-state actors include:

Personal:

- Care about the WIO region as a whole and for the long term
- Is committed to their own personal growth and development as a collective leader

Organizational:

- Well positioned to help drive joint development of IMS
- Has secured organization's support to participate fully in CLI workshops, MSWG meetings, and IMS co-development process

Knowledge

- Well-versed in topics related to IMS and/or other key parts of that landscape

Commitment to Collaborative Approach

- Wants to work collectively with the MSWG to deliver a high quality and viable IMS
- Values multi-stakeholder dialogue as key for co-developing a strategy that has been informed by diverse voices and is owned by a broad and representative set of stakeholders