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To: IOGOOS Officers, IOGOOS Members and Associate Members, Experts and Special Invitees

Subject: IOGOOS Workshop and Ninth Annual Meeting (IOGOOS IX) during October 19 – 20, 2012 at Cape Town, South Africa

I have the honour to invite you to the IOGOOS Workshop and Ninth Annual Meeting (IOGOOS IX) that is scheduled to be held at Cape Town, South Africa during October 19 - 20, 2012. The IOGOOS IX is being held in conjunction with IOP-9, SIBER-3 and IRF-3 meetings so as to facilitate the invitees with a good opportunity to have discussions with the high-level officials, panel members and other relevant agency representatives. I am happy to inform you that IOC Perth Office has kindly agreed to host these important Meetings with the local support from ASCLME and South African Weather Services.

The venue of the meeting will be at the Protea Hotel Sea Point:, Arthur's Road, Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa. IOC Perth office has negotiated with the hotel and obtained a very good rate for the delegate's accommodation during the meeting period. All the delegates are requested to contact the hotel directly as per the instructions given in the information booklet to make their booking in advance.

Information on local logistics, weather, etc. are provided in the information booklet. The meeting Agenda and other necessary documents are being compiled and will be made available shortly by e-mail as well as on the IOGOOS Website <u>http://www.incois.gov.in/Incois/iogoos/home.jsp</u>. I encourage you to distribute this notice to others in your community that might have an interest in participating. Please have them contact me for additional advice or information. Considering that the fund availability is limited, delegates are requested to support their own travel and accommodation.

I also request you to kindly confirm your willingness to participate in this important meeting at the earliest.

With best regards,

Yours Sincerely

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