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RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe STEERING COMMITTEE
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2018-2020 Work Program and Budget

Submitted by RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe

SUMMARY

Executive Summary: This document contains the draft work program and budget for the 2018-2020 period

Action to be Taken: Paragraph 6

Related documents: RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe OSC 9-2-1, OSC 9-3, OSC 9-6-1, OSC 9-7-1, and OSC 9-8-1, and 9-9-2

General

1. RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe proposed the activities contained in **Documents OSC 9-8-2, OSC 9-6-1, OSC 9-7-1 and OSC 9-81** in alignment with:
 - 1.1. *IMO's Strategic Plan for the Organization for the Six-Year Period 2018 to 2023*, adopted as Resolution A.1110(30), on 6 December 2017;
 - 1.2. *The Regional Workshop for Senior Maritime Administrators held in Barbados from 7 to 8 February 2017*;
 - 1.3. *The Seventeenth Intergovernmental Meeting on the Action Plan for the Caribbean Environment Programme and Fourteenth Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment of the Wider Caribbean Region*, held in Cayenne, French Guiana, on 15-17 March 2017; and
 - 1.4. The recommendations generated by facilitated discussions, findings and lessons learned from the focal points, participants and facilitators of the following workshops and activities conducted during the 2016 and 2017 Work Plan:
 - 1.4.1. *Regional Workshop on Port Reception Facilities and Waste Management*, conducted 04 - 06 October, 2016 in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago;
 - 1.4.2. *Sub-Regional Level 2 IMO Training Course on Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Co-operation (OPRC)*, conducted 14-18 Nov 2016 in Pointe-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe;
 - 1.4.3. *IMO Regional Workshop on Oil Spill Contingency Planning*, conducted 13-16 Dec 2016 in Nassau, Bahamas;

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- 1.4.4. *Sub-regional Level III Workshop on OPRC and IMO's Guidance on the Implementation of an Incident Management System*, conducted 20-25 May 2017 in Nassau, The Bahamas;
 - 1.4.5. *IMO Regional Ballast Water Management Workshop: Third Regional Task Force Meeting on the Ratification and Implementation of the IMO Convention on Ballast Water Management*, conducted in Panama City, Panama, on June 5-9, 2017;
 - 1.4.6. *IMO Sub-Regional OPRC Workshop on Oil Spill Response Equipment, Simulation Exercises & Co-ordination with Neighboring Countries*, conducted 2-6 Oct 2017 in Cartagena, Colombia;
 - 1.4.7. *The Regional Support Provided by RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe to Aruba, Curacao, Bonaire, Venezuela and Trinidad and Tobago, Following the Oiling Events in the Southern Caribbean*, April to June 2017; and
 - 1.4.8. *The Feasibility Study on the Development of a Regional Reception Facilities Plan for the Small Island Developing States of the Wider Caribbean Region*, finalized on June 1, 2018.
2. **Document OSC 9-9-2** presents the draft work program and budget for Activities to be conducted in 2018-2020 as submitted to IMO for their consideration. The decision to deviate from past biennium work program comes from the desire to better align with the planning and approval process, as presented by Mr. Keith Donohue in Agenda Item 9-2 and outlined in Annex A to this document. The level of activities may be different for each country based on the development of their national programs.
 3. **Documents OSC 9-3-1, OSC 9-6-1, OSC 9-7-1 and OSC 9-81** present findings, outcomes and recommendations to be considered and incorporated when developing activities and agendas for the funded Activities over this period, and well in discussions, presentations proposals and opportunities that may arise during the period.
 4. Also in accordance with the discussions within Agenda Item 9-2, the RAC/REMPEITC-Caribe Long Term Strategic Plan should be reviewed, amended and updated accordingly to ensure full alignment with those decisions and recommendations contained in Paragraph 1.1 to 1.4 above.

Outcome of Proposed Activities

5. The proposed activities will strengthen both national and regional capacity to prevent and respond to major marine pollution incidents and threats as well as increase sub-regional and regional co-operation between Governments and Non-Government Organizations, as well as Oil, Maritime and Shipping Industries throughout the Wider Caribbean Region.

Action

6. The Steering Committee is invited to consider the proposed work program and budget, along with the references findings and recommendations, and approve the information presented in documents OSC 9-9-2.

- ANNEX A -

Work Program and Activities Development, Planning and Approval Process

