**Decision A-33/4.6**

**Joint WMO-IOC Collaborative Board (JCB) Strategic Advice on Joint Work to Achieve Common Objectives**

The Assembly,

1. Having examined document IOC/A-33/4.6.Doc(1),
2. Recalling IOC Assembly Resolution XXX-2 (2019) creating the Joint WMO-IOC Collaborative Board (JCB), as a high-level coordination mechanism with broader engagement of the key relevant bodies of the WMO and IOC,
3. Reaffirming the importance of the collaborative relationship between IOC and WMO through the WMO-IOC Collaborative Board in marine meteorology, oceanography and climatology, including in services, observation and information management, research and capacity building, [Australia]
4. Having considered the outcomes of the third session of the Joint WMO-IOC Collaborative Board (JCB-3),-3),September 2024, which identified four primary work areas for the JCB in the next two-year period,
5. Noting the establishment of subgroups on Global Ocean Basic Observing networks (GBON) and on data management to advance the activities of two primary work areas,
6. Requests the Joint WMO-IOC Collaborative Board to report on progress in the four work areas to the WMO and IOC Executive Councils in 2026;
7. Also requests the Joint WMO-IOC Collaborative Board:
8. to engage with WMO Members and IOC Member States, including through WMO Regional Associations and IOC regional sub-commissions, to build an understanding of the common issues faced by meteorological and oceanographic communities that the JCB could address;
9. to develop a questionnaire and send it to Members in July 2025 to survey their capabilities, identifying:
10. Barriers and opportunities for delivering the actions under the four work areas above at the national level to inform the work of the JCB;
11. Future priority topics that the JCB could address (recognizing that some future topics have already been identified and are listed in the JCB3 Part 2 report);
12. on the basis of the results from the Member State consultation process, to provide recommendations to the WMO and IOC Executive Council in 2026 on future governance arrangements, including quadrennial WMO-IOC collaborative strategy and priority areas of work, for their consideration; [Australia]
13. Invites Members to:
	1. Collaborate within national systems on the four work areas identified by the JCB;
	2. Support the work of the JCB, and engage with it, through IOC national focal points and WMO Permanent Representatives, including on any common issues identified at the national level; [Australia]
	3. Actively respond to the survey by 1 September 2025; [Australia]
	4. Actively contribute to the prioritized work areas, in particular, the acceleration of the achievement and readiness of the UN Early Warnings for All (EW4All) initiative and early action by all, and developing synergies and joint capacity development programmes.