

LIST OF ACRONYMS AND OTHER ABBREVIATIONS

ABE-LOS	Advisory Body of Experts on the Law of the Sea (IOC)
AMC	Area Meteorological Coordinator (MPERSS)
ASAP	Automated Shipboard Aerological Programme
ASPeCt	Antarctic Sea Ice Processes and Climate
CBS	Commission for Basic Systems (WMO)
CCI	Commission for Climatology (WMO)
CEOS	Committee on Earth Observation Satellites
CLIC	Climate and Cryosphere project (WCRP)
CLIVAR	Climate Variability and Predictability (WCRP)
CMM	Commission for Marine Meteorology (WMO)
COP	Conference of the Parties to FCCC
CSD	Commission on Sustainable Development
DBCP	Data Buoy Co-operation Panel (WMO-IOC)
DM	Data Management
EC	Executive Council
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone
ETIS	Education, Training and Implementation Support (of JCOMM)
FAO	Food and Agriculture Organization (UN)
FCCC	Framework Convention on Climate Change (UN)
GCOS	Global Climate Observing System
GLOSS	Global Sea-Level Observing System
GMDSS	Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (IMO)
GODAE	Global Ocean Data Assimilation Experiment
GOOS	Global Ocean Observing System
GOSSP	Global Observing Systems Space Panel
GTSP	Global Temperature Salinity Profile Programme
ICS	International Chamber of Shipping
IHO	International Hydrographic Organization
IICWG	International Ice Charting Working Group
ICSPRO	Inter-Secretariat Committee on Scientific Programmes Relating to Oceanography
ICSU	International Council for Science
IGOSS	Integrated Global Ocean Services System
IMO	International Maritime Organization
IMO	Icelandic Meteorological Office
IOC	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (of UNESCO)
IOCSOC	IOC Regional Committee for the Southern Ocean
IODE	International Data and Information Exchange (IOC)
IGOS-P	Integrated Global Observing Strategy Partners
JCOMM	Joint WMO/IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology
MCSS	Marine Climatological Summaries Scheme
MEDS	Marine Environmental Data Service (Canada)
MPERSS	Marine Pollution Emergency Response Support System
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (USA)
NWS	National Weather Service (USA)
OOPC	Ocean Observations Panel for Climate (GOOS/GCOS/WCRP)
PA	Programme Area (JCOMM)
PMO	Port Meteorological Officer
QC	Quality Control

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REMPEC	Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean
SCAR	Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research
SOC	Specialized Oceanographic Centre (IGOSS)
SOG	Ship Observations Group
SOOP	Ship-of-Opportunity Programme
SOOPIP	JCOMM Ship-of-Opportunity Programme Implementation Panel
TAO	Tropical Atmosphere Ocean Array
TEMA	IOC Training, Education and Mutual Assistance
TOR	Terms of Reference
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (Rio de Janeiro, 1992)
UNCLOS	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (Montego Bay, 1982)
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
URL	Uniform Recourse Locator (Internet)
VOS	Voluntary Observing Ship
WCP	World Climate Programme (WMO)
WCRP	World Climate Research Programme (WMO/IOC/ICSU)
WDC	World Data Centre
WIOMAP	Western Indian Ocean Marine Applications Project
WMO	World Meteorological Organization
WMO-EC WG/AM	WMO-EC Working Group on Antarctic Meteorology
WOCE	World Ocean Circulation Experiment (WCRP)
WWW	World Weather Watch (WMO)
XBT	Expendable Bathythermograph