



COMMISSION DE
L'OCÉAN INDIEN



Implementation of Results 4 & 5

Meetings of the Head of Drugs Enforcement Agencies of the Indian Ocean Region

28-29 October 2016 Colombo, Sri- Lanka





INDIAN OCEAN COMMISSION

- Regional intergovernmental organization that was created in 1982 in Mauritius
- Composed of 5 Member States. HQ at Mauritius
- The current Secretary General is Madi Hamada, took office, on July 16th 2016
- The Indian Ocean Commission (IOC), one of the four implementing organizations of the Maritime Security Programme (MASE) funded by the European Union .
- Inauguration of APU on 4th June 2012 executive arm of IOC
- Five Experts from the five states for implementation Results 4 and 5 of MASE Programme.





COMMISSION DE
L'OcéAN INDIEN

Role of the Indian Ocean Commission

Implementation of 2 Results:

- ❑ **Result 4:** National and regional capacity for maritime tasks and support functions are enhanced:
 - Operational ability of the maritime law enforcement agencies;
 - Maritime Domain Awareness;
 - Exchange of lessons learnt in maritime safety, search and rescue;
 - Joint operational patrol.

- ❑ **Result 5:** Regional coordination and information exchange is improved:
 - ESA-IO information needs package;
 - Focal Points network;
 - ESA-IO exchange of information platform;
 - AU Maritime strategy and African Plan of Action on Maritime Transport.





COMMISSION DE
L'OcéAN INDIEN

The Start-up Project

- ❑ **Objective:** Prepare the ESA-IO region for the implementation of the MASE programme.
- ❑ **Implementation Period:** 18 months (January 2012- June 2013)
- ❑ **Main achievements:**
 - Establishment of an IOC Anti Piracy Unit in Seychelles with 1 expert per IOC Member State;
 - Conference on money laundering;
 - 1st Focal Points meeting;
 - Donation of equipment to Mauritius and Seychelles Coast Guards;
 - Participation to the working groups of the CGPCS.
- ❑ **Lessons learned:**
 - Need for sensitisation conference/meeting with the Focal Points;
 - Need for more Inter-ORs meetings to ensure monitoring ;
 - Beneficiary States' approval required to implement activities under results 4&5;
 - Coordination with existing projects and building-up on past initiatives are necessary;
 - Capacity building required both at the IOC Secretariat and National levels.





Implementation of Result 4 and 5 : Main achievements

- Capacity assessment questionnaire sent to beneficiary States and analysed by the IOC APU experts
- ❑ Assessment field missions by the IOC-APU experts in several beneficiary countries
- ❑ Nomination of Focal Points for Result 4 and 5
- ❑ Study to assess an appropriate Maritime Domain Awareness system compatible with the existing system in the ESA-IO Region
- ❑ Strengthen regional operational capacities to maritime security Willingness of all beneficiary countries to participate in joint interventions at sea through provision of ships or intervention teams (Mauritius)
- ❑ Thematic and geographic areas priorities and means available for most countries are known





COMMISSION DE
L'OCEAN INDIEN



Implementation of Results 4 and 5 : Main achievements

- ❑ Diplomatic, financial and political framework worked out and validated.
- ❑ Financial support of the MASE programme to joint interventions decided
- ❑ Regional Maritime Information Fusion Centre (RMIFC) set up at Madagascar. Regional Maritime Coordination and Operation Centre (RMCOC) set up at Seychelles.
- ❑ Way forward Operationalisation of the centres expected mid 2017.



Partnerships developed

- INTERPOL (permanent),
- EUCAP NESTOR (permanent),
- ATALANTA (indeed fusion center and coordinating MASE should each be heirs to tools of regional cooperation created in ATALANTA, such as MERCURY and MSCHOA .
- PRSP/SMARTFISH;
- CRIMARIO.
- An agreement can be reached with SADC and EASF.

Partnership with UNODC

- MANDATE OF IOC EXTENDED NOT LIMITED TO PIRACY ONLY BUT ADDRESSING MARITIME SECURITY .
- PROPOSING PARTNERSHIP WITH UNODC IN THE ACTUAL MASE PROGRAMME (R 4&5) AT THREE LEVELS :-
 - (i) An Action Plan within the IOC region,
 - (ii) An actions Plan with the ESA region and
 - (iii) an Action Plan involving the whole of the Indian Ocean region



COMMISSION DE
L'OCEAN INDIEN

Thank you!
Any question?

www.coi-ioc.org

<http://commissionoceanindien.org/activites/securite-maritimemase/>

