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## Postponement of planned outreach activities

Further to circular IOPC/2020/Circ.5 which confirmed the cancellation of the March 2020 meeting of the IOPC Funds' governing bodies, and contained information relating to the arrangements for the next meeting following the COVID-19 pandemic, the purpose of this circular is to provide updated information on a number of outreach activities that were scheduled to take place in 2020.

The IOPC Funds' Secretariat has been closely monitoring developments of the impact of COVID-19 at local and global levels and has followed the advice provided by the World Health Organization (WHO), the Government of the United Kingdom (as the host government) and actions taken by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and other UN agencies.

The Secretariat continues to work remotely and is striving to provide its usual services to Member States and stakeholders as far as possible. However, in light of the ongoing difficulties presented by the pandemic in terms of travel and gatherings of groups of people, the decision has been taken to postpone all outreach activities until further notice. The following planned activities have been postponed in liaison with or at the request of the organisations and/or authorities concerned:

- National workshop to be delivered in cooperation with the GI WACAF project, Lomé, Togo, originally scheduled to take place from 25 March 2020;
- National workshop organised by the Adriatic Training and Research Centre (ATRAC), Opatija, Croatia, originally scheduled to take place from 28 April 2020;
- lectures at IMLI and WMU in March and May respectively;
- lecture at the University of Athens, originally scheduled to take place on 18 May 2020;
- IOPC Funds 2020 Short Course, originally scheduled to take place from 8 June 2020;
- visits by universities at the IOPC Funds offices (various dates).

With regard to the IOPC Funds' Short Course, the Director will be monitoring the situation with our supporting organisations to try to reschedule the course for later this year. Any developments regarding new dates for the course will be announced in due course.

For further information or general enquiries regarding outreach activities, please email [externalrelations@iopcfunds.org](mailto:externalrelations@iopcfunds.org).