



## **DJIBOUTI CODE OF CONDUCT/JEDDAH AMENDMENT**

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING No. 11**

**Virtual via Teams**

**Thursday 20 February 2025**

**WG 1 Key Points**

#### **Strengthening Maritime Information Sharing in the DCoC Region**

- DCoC emphasizes purpose-driven information sharing to support maritime operations.
- Efforts are underway to establish National Maritime Information Sharing Centres (NMISCs) across all participating states, ensuring both national and regional coordination through standardized SOPs.
- India fronted a consultant that is supporting Mauritian NMISC establishment. India has done a scoping mission to Comoros and is supporting Kenya as well.
- Integration with MASE centers approved, including RMIFC (Madagascar) and RCOO (Seychelles).
- Additionally, progress has been made in re-establishing ReMISC in Aden. UNODC will support with Communication equipment and under the Crisis Response programme that Winnie will be updating shortly, Yemen will receive support for ReMISC and NMISC through national workshops and mentorship programs with the RMIFC.
- A DCoC Engagement Strategy to strengthening communication with States and Partners has been proposed for development under the Safe Seas for Africa project, Winnie has detailed
- Capacity Building assessments and linkages of the NMISCs to the regional centres. Will be conducted under the SSA project.
- Sharing actionable information between national and regional centres to support operations at sea aligns with the goals of the newly formed Working Group 3 on Operational Cooperation and Coordination at sea. This will be done through domestication of SOPs under the Crisis Response project which Winnie has elaborated
- To further enhance collaboration, DCoC is strengthening partnerships with IFC IOR and plans to deploy a DCoC ILO from Kenya, reinforcing effective regional information sharing.
- Positive feedback on IORIS use by member states, WG1 proposed incorporating IORIS into the DCoC ISN
- Members have proposed establishing a regional database of vessels of Interest (VOI database will it be stationed in the IORIS. Martin (CRIMARIO) talked about it in the IORIS SC meeting in Malta
- Update on the security situation in the Red Sea: The ceasefire by Hamas has reduced the attacks on shipping so far.



**From the HLM, Member States agreed to:**

- expedite the operationalization of the National Maritime Information Sharing Centres (NMISCs). The Secretariat is preparing a questionnaire to assess the status of NMISCs in each country.
- Members are requested to make visits to operational NMISCs to enhance shadow training and utilize the DCoC Strategy and Roadmap 2021 in developing national centres.
- Expedite the operationalization of the Regional Information Sharing Network (ISN) to enhance awareness of threats and boost response capabilities
- Standardize the CB Matrix to make Information Sharing, one of the broad categories covering MDA and related issues during the Website/Members Only portal enhancements. This will be funded under the Safe Seas for Africa project.
- The matrix does not replace bilateral information sharing.
- India is prepared to host the next information sharing workshop, which will end with a tabletop exercise on using the IORIS system. The last workshop was held in September 2023.