



WORKING GROUP ON MARINE MAMMALS OBSERVERS

The role of the MMO Working group is to ensure that the whole process is implemented smoothly, within a clear framework and in a transparent and fair manner for everyone and every Organization.

The composition of the MMOWG has been updated through proposition of new names and a vote.

Resolution 6.18 explains the process, actors and their role. The objective is to propose a certification for the whole ACCOBAMS area (Mediterranean and Black Sea), and a standardized training.

During the Eleventh Meeting of the Scientific Committee (Monaco, 7-9 February 2017), a new name for the entity, called "ACCOBAMS School" in the ACCOBAMS Resolution 6.18, was proposed and approved as "**ACCOBAMS MMO/PAM Courses Committee (ACCOBAMS MMO/PAM CC)**" by the Scientific Committee.

The progress report of the MMO WG is presented in the document ACCOBAMS-MOP7/2019/Inf22.

Part 1 - Terms of Reference for the MMO WG (agreed under Resolution 6.18)

- Examine possibilities for the promotion of mandatory involvement of MMO/PAMs in any impulsive noise-generating activities (e.g. seismic exploration, pile driving, training course of seismic acquisition and processing, testing of seismic instruments);
- Review of existing training schemes and best practice guidelines and participation to their actualization;
- Review of different ways of implementing MMO/PAM trainings and development of an ACCOBAMS MMO scheme (e.g. ACCOBAMS MMO label, **ACCOBAMS MMO/PAM CC**);
- Development of strategy to involve industrial stakeholder into the process;
- Assessment of MMO/PAM accreditation conditions;
- Presentation of a consolidated proposition to the SC of ACCOBAMS about the MMO/PAM training issue.

Part 2 - Composition of the MMO WG

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