



**Second Session of the IOC Intergovernmental Coordination Group for the
Tsunami and Other Coastal Hazards Warning System for the Caribbean and
Adjacent Regions (ICG/CARIBE EWS-II)
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- A Community Model Interface for Tsunami, ComMIT, has been developed and it is available for its use by IOC ICG /CARIBE EWS. (Funding provided by USAID to NOAA/PMEL)
- Three meetings of seismic operators in the Caribbean were held :
 1. The first meeting of seismic station operators was organized by the Seismic Research Unit of the University of the West Indies (Trinidad Tobago April 4-6, 2006) (Support USAID and SRU-UWI)
 2. The IRIS and the University of Sao Paulo organized the workshop “Managing Waveform Data and Related Metadata from Seismic Networks. Representatives from 23 seismic networks in the Caribbean and Adjacent regions attended this workshop from July 10-14, 2006. The focus of this workshop was the metadata and quality control of the seismic stations.
 3. **A Workshop for Intermediate Level Earthworm (seismic data exchange platform) was offered by Mr. Angel Rodriguez, USGS Contractor, at the University of Panama from December 13-16.**



PTWC in consultation with the centers in the region has prepared a draft communications plan for the Caribbean.

The Plan was submitted in June, 2006 and was circulated, discussed at the preparatory ICGII meeting in Puerto Rico. It needs to be also evaluated by the ICG / CARIBE-EWS and WG 3 and 4.



The Working Group 2 held a Sea Level Workshop in San Juan, Puerto Rico, 27-28 Nov, 2006, where 16 experts participated.

- Establish draft agreements (letter of intentions) including membership, organization, and definition of the goals, outcomes and deliverables of the network.
- The WG will identify 10 representative stations from inventory of the region to be the operational baseline system of the Caribbean Sea Level Network.
- Completion of regional inventory (started by IOCARIBE-GOOS)



- The Working Group 3 compared communication systems for rapid warning/alerting and information dissemination, sorting priorities for conflicting warnings for different hazards occurring simultaneously), and
- Prepared and submitted a version of the country assessment questionnaire customized for the Caribbean. It is noted that, before this date, no responses to this questionnaire had been received from any MS focal points to which it had been distributed except one received from the Bahamas.



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2	Barbados
3	Belize
4	Bermuda
5	Colombia
6	Costa Rica
7	Dominican Republic
8	France
9	Grenada
10	Haiti
11	Mexico
12	Netherlands Antilles
13	St Lucia
14	Suriname

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BARBUDA

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- The future of the Secretariat to the ICG CARIBE EWS .
 - Ad- interim to a Permanent
 - IOC Tsunami Unit / Desk Officer
- Need to co-ordinate funding and financial efforts.