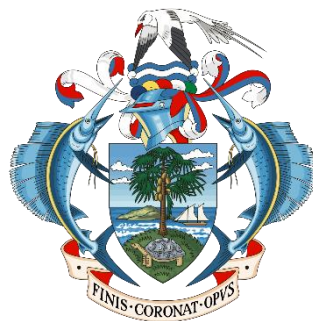




Western Indian Ocean Resilience & Prosperity Initiative

Proposed Nairobi Convention Project
by the Government of Seychelles



WIO-Resilience & Prosperity Initiative

(WIO-RPI)

- ▶ **Ambition:**
 - ▶ To support, build on and strengthen existing regional initiatives, and previous decisions made by Parties of the Nairobi Convention;
 - ▶ To create a complimentary governance, financial and scientific implementation framework within the region to coordinate sustainable ocean development underpinned by science-based management and protection.
- ▶ **Objective:** WIO Governments to co-define a regional ocean policy and strategy for ratification at Nairobi Convention COP11.
- ▶ **Approach:** WIO-RPI to be a Project of the Nairobi Convention, implemented over 2 years
- ▶ **Coordinating nation:** Government of Seychelles
- ▶ **Implementing partners:** Governments of WIO, regional and international technical experts



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WIO Governments co-creating a WIO Policy & Strategy 2021-2023

1. Enhance Marine Science

To inform and coordinate decisions on the sustainable use and management of marine resources and priorities for restoration and resilience.

2. Harness a Sustainable Blue Economy

To support the development of a sustainable blue economy plan that delivers resilience, jobs and a just, equitable transition

3. Strengthen Natural Resilience & Restoration

To establish a just, equitably designed and managed connected network of ecologically and culturally representative protected areas in national and international waters, complementing global targets.

4. Advance Ocean Governance

To advance governance for sustainable use and management of marine resources and protected areas.



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Request for Parties

To consider adoption of the WIO-RPI as a Project of the Nairobi Convention - with the submitted 'Project Scope' and 'Project Plan' to be considered as terms of reference.

