

# **INSARAG global activities & Key points from the 2013 Steering Group meeting**


**XII INSARAG Americas Regional Group meeting  
San José, Costa Rica  
3-5 December 2013**

## Global

- Preparations for Global Meeting in 2015: Initiated First Meeting – Feb
- Steering Group Meeting – Feb
- Governance Review – Feb
- Working Groups Meetings



## Global

- Guidelines Review
  - INSARAG Strategy Paper 2014-2017
  - Team Leaders Meeting 2013 – The Hague, Holland
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## Regional Groups

- **Africa, Middle-East, Europe (AMEE)**
  - Chair: Germany
  - Vice Chair: Poland
- **Asia-Pacific:**
  - Chair: Singapore
  - Vice Chair: Nepal
- **Americas**
  - Chair: Costa Rica
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair: Peru
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair: Chile



# Key issues in the Regional Groups

## Asia-Pacific:

- Governance
- National (and regional) Capacity Building
- IER Review Proposal

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## Africa, Middle-East, Europe(AMEE):

- Governance
- Regional Capacity Building
- INSARAG Antenna in Tunisia
- INSARAG Awareness Mission
  - Planned for a series of East European Countries

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### Chairmanship

- **Global Chair:**
  - Ambassador or equivalent; access to political level; 4 years with possibility of two re-elections
- **Regional Chairmanship:**
  - Troika approach (Americas model recommended), 1. Jan. – 31. Dec
- **Working group chairs :**
  - Proven subject matter expert; selected by members of the WG, in consultation with INSARAG Secretariat;
  - Tenure for continuous WG : 3 years with re-election not recommended unless requested by ISG
  - Tenure for ad hoc WG: until completion of project, max 3 years



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### Membership

- **Globally:**
  - Countries and organizations with interest in the matter and dedicated Focal Points
- **Steering Group:**
  - Remain as is; Global Chair, Regional Chairmanship Group; Focal points from IEC member countries, incl NGOs and agencies
- **Regional Group:**
  - Global and Regional Chair and Vice-chairs; INSARAG Focal points of member countries and organizations, IFRC, OCHA – observers as decided by Regional Group

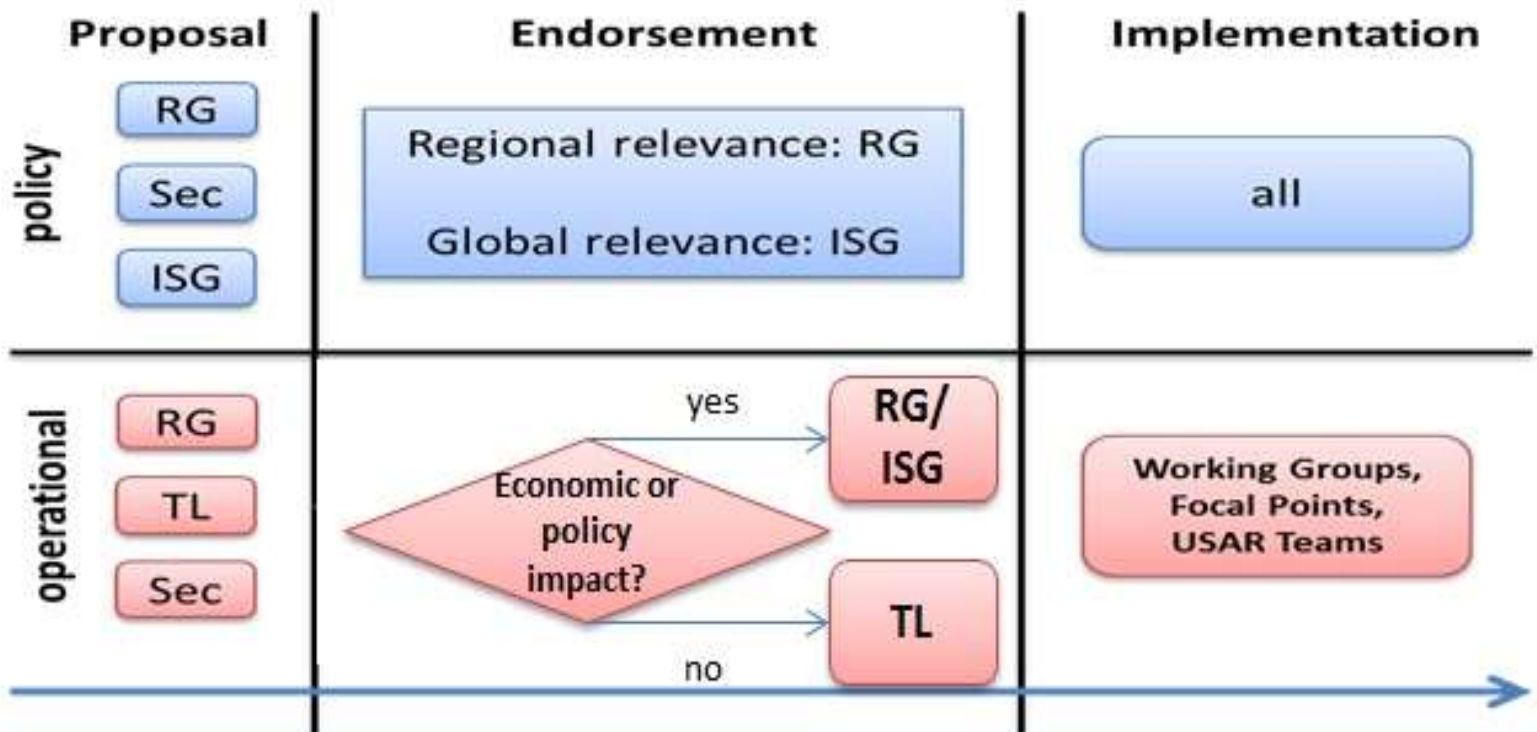
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### Membership

- **Working group :**
  - WG chair, 2-3 members per region, temporary associated experts if required; supported by INSARAG Secretariat
- **Team leaders meeting:**
  - Open to all Team Leaders of USAR teams registered in the IEC directory (national/international teams) or their representatives; INSARAG operational focal points, members of the WGs

## Outcomes of governance discussions – INSARAG SG meeting 2013

### Decision making



- **Meeting cycle:**
  - INSARAG SG: February
  - Regional Group meetings: Sept-Dec

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### Methodology

- **INSARAG Guidelines:**
  - Next revision for 2015
  - Keep IEC/R Handbook separate but synchronized with Guidelines
- **Technical Guidance Notes**
  - Updated when required; prepared by INSARAG WG; endorsed by TL meeting
- **IEC/IER Handbook**
  - Revision cycle of every 5 years, synchronized with Guidelines

# **INSARAG Team Leaders Meeting 16 – 18th September – The Hague**

- **Welcomed the USAR Coordination Methodology**
  - Requires fine-tuning and testing and will gradually evolve and be incorporated in Guidelines 2015.
- **Welcomed the INSARAG Guidelines Review Process & GRG to follow up on their feedback**
- **2 TLs (NZ and NL) selected to be part of the GRG**
- **Technical Experience Sharing Workshops**

## Other key INSARAG Events

- **INSARAG Americas Regional Exercise, 1-4<sup>th</sup>**  
October, Peru
- **INSARAG Asia-Pacific Earthquake Response Exercise, 6-9<sup>th</sup>** November, Malaysia
- **INSARAG Regional Group meetings:**
  - **Asia Pacific, Singapore, Sept 2013**
  - **Africa, Europe, Middle East, December 2013, Germany**

# Upcoming

- **INSARAG Steering Group meeting, 13-14 February 2014, Geneva, Switzerland**
- **Ongoing Guidelines review**

