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## Terms of Reference for the OIC Expert Assessment Panel for 2022-2023 (OIC-EAP)

### Organisation of work

1. The group will be convened by Mr Andrew Taylor (UK), with the participation of Mr Henrik Bechmann Nielsen (Denmark), Mr Jeppe Jensen (Denmark), Dr. Robert Dörband (Germany), Ms Margot Cronin (Ireland), Mr Bas Bougie (The Netherlands) and Ms Mathilde Juel Lind (Norway) and support from the OSPAR Secretariat.
2. The work of the EAP should be guided by the OSPAR Agreement 2019-1, Appendix 2 (Guidance for the Collection and Assessment of Data and Information) setting out the EAP procedures for OIC and the Quality Assurance Handbook, 2009 update (OSPAR Publication Number 343/2007)<sup>1</sup>

### Scope of work

3. The EAP will aim to carry out the following tasks in the intersessional period 2022-2023:
  - a. to check and agree the 2021 data (part A of the report) including plastics, microplastics and nanomaterials reporting;
  - b. to check and agree the multi annual data (part B), including plastics, microplastics and nanomaterials results;
  - c. to review and agree the programme for future country assessment reports to be submitted to OIC;
  - d. to review and make recommendations to update OSPAR Agreement 2013-07 on Reporting Format for the Inventory of Offshore Installations; and
  - e. to continue to extend cooperation between the RSC and OIC EAP Convenors and Task Managers.
4. The EAP will correspond and / or meet as considered necessary and report its conclusions to OIC 2023.

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<sup>1</sup>[http://www.ospar.org/documents/dbase/publications/p00343\\_Quality%20Assurance%20Handbook,%202009%20update.pdf](http://www.ospar.org/documents/dbase/publications/p00343_Quality%20Assurance%20Handbook,%202009%20update.pdf)