RECOMMENDATIONS FORUM OF IDEAS PARALLEL SESSION

“Ownership of the Sub-Regional Initiative for Institutional Capacity Building in Ocean Sciences and Coastal Vulnerability in Central Africa”

1. **Request** the Government of the Republic of Angola to transmit the full report of this session (including its recommendations) to the African Union, while requesting the latter's support for the joint implementation, within the framework of Agenda 2063, of the “Integrated Maritime Strategy of the African Union to 2050”. The "African Union Decade for the African Seas and Oceans (2015-2025)", the "African Charter on Maritime Safety and Security and Development in Africa" known as the "Lomé Charter”, in order to develop a continental and pan-African programme on coastal vulnerability in Africa;

2. **Request** the mobilization and support of the Governments of the countries concerned in Central Africa for the implementation of the recommendations, development and implementation of the subregional framework programme;

3. **Request** the Central Africa Regional Sub-Group within the African Group to UNESCO to present the report and recommendations on the margins of the 40th session of the UNESCO General Conference in November 2019;
4. **Request** regional integration and financing institutions in Central Africa to provide support and financial assistance for the implementation of the recommendations, development and implementation of the subregional framework programme;

5. **Request** for its technical and financial support from the United Nations System in Central Africa for the implementation of the recommendations, as well the implementation of the subregional framework programme;

6. Considering the complexity of the confluence zone represented by the coastline, and taking into account UNESCO’s intersectoral and multidisciplinary mandate, **invite** UNESCO to adopt an intersectoral approach for the definition, formulation, development and implementation of the CBOSCVCVA subregional initiative to optimize support;

7. **Request** the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO to ensure that the proposed training on maritime spatial planning in Central Africa is fully integrated into the ongoing process and consultations with the Permanent Delegations of the countries concerned in order to avoid any duplication, on the one hand; and to work in good cooperation with the sectors concerned at UNESCO to ensure the transversal and intersectoral nature of the initiative, on the other hand;

8. Recognizing Governments roles through their ministerial institutions, Permanent Delegations to UNESCO and academic institutions in the development process of the CBOSCVCVA Initiative, **recommend** the establishment of a Task Force to pursue advocacy with the governments of the respective countries, the UNESCO Secretariat and regional and international partners; and a scientific and technological Task force consisting of national and regional experts.