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Lake Turkana Advisory Group Report

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Kenya



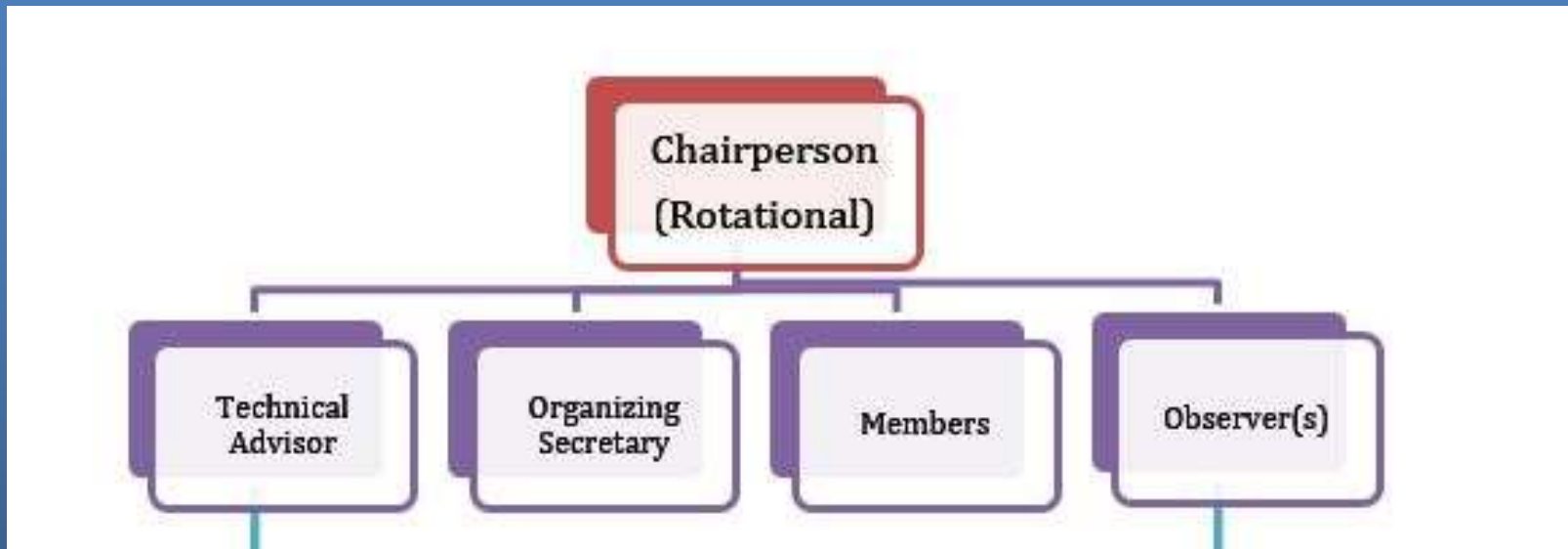
Ethiopia

Purpose

Carry out both long and short term research on fish stock assessment, limnology, climate change impacts, food security and economic studies in Lake Turkana and its catchment/Basin.

Technology such as remote sensing will be employed in studies especially in the conflict prone areas

Structure, Roles, Leadership



- 50/50 representation from Ethiopia and Kenya
- Rotational Chairperson
- Regular meetings
- Two ladies to be included in the group

Resources Needed

- Facilitation of meetings/infrastructure for online video conferencing
- Meeting space in both countries: Vehicle hire, Venue costs, Accommodation costs
- Travel resources for group members (Vehicle/Flight)
- Linkages with partners who can support the construction of an operation centre on the Ethiopian side of the lake to minimize travel time from Jimna/Adis. Improve facility in Kalokol
- Basic Research equipment for monitoring studies especially on the Ethiopian side

Next Steps, Annual Plans

- Future meetings to be held to be held in Kenya and Ethiopia on a rotational basis
- Reconnaissance meeting in April 2020 in Kenya (Kalokol) to build synergies and share information
- Reconnaissance meeting in September 2020 in Ethiopia (Omorate)

Priorities

- Research is our first priority
- **Baseline data on the Lake's current status (Hydrology/Limnology, Stock Assessment)**
- **Economic valuation on the Omo delta**
- **Innovative ways for data collection including use of remotely sensed data, catch monitoring program using fishermen**
- **Develop protocols for standardized data collection for both countries**
- **Planned set up of a small research Centre at the Ethiopia's side of the lake to ease the operations that have been planned for.**

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