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ICC 2023 – 31st INTERNATIONAL CARTOGRAPHIC CONFERENCE
(Cape Town, South Africa, 13-18 August 2023)

Dear Hydrographer,

1. The 31st Conference of the International Cartographic Association (ICA), ICC 2023, will take place in Cape Town, South Africa, from 13 to 18 August 2023. ICC 2023 will be organized by the South African National Committee for ICA. It has now become a tradition that the IHO participates in these biennial ICA conferences both through attendance by Hydrographic Office (HO) representatives and/or through HOs' cartographic products exhibitions. This has contributed to maintaining high visibility of the IHO to the world's cartographers.
2. The general theme of the ICC 2023 Conference will be "Smart Cartography for Sustainable Development". More details may be found on the ICC2023 website (<https://icc2023.org/>).
3. Alongside the conference, there will be an International Map Exhibition which will provide the opportunity to exhibit cartographic products physically and virtually through the conference website. Those Member States' Hydrographic Offices that wish to participate in the ICC2023 Map Exhibition should consult the respective webpage (<https://icc2023.org/index.php/international-map-exhibition/>). The call for the Map Exhibition will be open until 15 May 2023.
4. The IHO Secretariat encourages Member States to participate in this biennial event to represent the marine side of cartography and to further enhance the reputation and showcase the work of the world's Hydrographic Offices and the IHO among the ICA community.

Yours sincerely,
On behalf of the Secretary General

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