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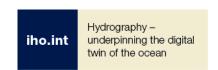
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE IHO E-LEARNING CENTER AND RELATED STEERING COMMITTEE

References:

- A. 3rd Session of the IHO Assembly Agenda item 6.1 Presentation of the highlights of WP3 (IRCC Chair)
- B. IHO e-Learning Center Guidelines Ed. 2023
- C. IRCC15 List of Actions, Decisions and Recommendations

Dear Hydrographer,

- 1. The 2nd Session of the IHO Assembly endorsed the activities to set up an IHO e-Learning Center based on A-2 Pro 3.3 (A-2 Decision 42). As a consequence, the Capacity Building Sub-Committee (CBSC) established a Project Team to develop the structure and framework of the IHO e-Learning Center. Based on the work of the Project Team and the resulting report to the Inter-Regional Coordination Committee (IRCC), the 3rd IHO Assembly was informed by IRCC Chair on the establishment of the IHO e-Learning Center (Reference A).
- 2. The now finalized IHO e-Learning Center Guidelines in Reference B, including the proposed composition of a Steering Committee, were presented by the Project Team to the CBSC at the CBSC21 meeting in June 2023. CBSC endorsed the Guidelines and the establishment of a Steering Committee and the IRCC15 meeting approved the establishment of the Steering Committee and its Guidelines.
- 3. With Action IRCC15/4 (see Reference C), the Secretariat was then requested to announce the full functionality of the IHO e-Learning Center and the composition of the Steering Committee which will approve the e-Learning Center operations. With regard to the latter, the Steering Committee will consist of representatives of the following IHO bodies and IHO Member States:
 - IHO Secretariat (Director Coordination)
 - CBSC Chair
 - CBSC Vice-Chair (Secretary)
 - IBSC Chair
 - Chile
 - France
 - Indonesia
 - New Zealand
 - Nigeria
 - U.S.A.



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- 4. The IHO Member States listed in paragraph 3 are kindly requested to provide the names of their representatives to the IHO Secretariat (info@iho.int and leonel.manteigas@iho.int) by
 31 July 2023, in order to enable the newly formed Steering Committee to meet in September 2023 in accordance with the Guidelines in Reference B.
- 5. The IHO Secretariat would like to encourage all Member States to provide content to the IHO e-Learning Center and reiterates its appreciation to the Republic of Korea for its generous support of the IHO's role and objectives.

On behalf of the Secretary-General Yours sincerely,

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