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**IHO PARTICIPATION IN HYDRO14  
(Aberdeen, UK, 28-30 October 2014)**

References: A. IHO CL 2/2014 dated 7 January - *Theme for World Hydrography Day 2014*.  
B. IHO CL 8/2014 dated 20 January - *Outcome of the fifth meeting of the Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC)*.

Dear Hydrographer,

1. The next Conference of the International Federation of Hydrographic Societies (IFHS), Hydro14, will take place in Aberdeen, United Kingdom, from 28 to 30 October 2014. In line with its Work Programme tasks concerning outreach and engagement with stakeholders, and as indicated in Annex A of Reference B, the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) will lead a Stakeholder Forum during Hydro14. The Forum will explore how to improve the two-way interaction between the IHO and industry.
2. The details of the Forum will be posted on the IHO web site (Home > External Liaisons > External Stakeholders > IHO Stakeholders Meetings) as they become available.
3. Meanwhile, the Directing Committee invites Member States to consider participating in Hydro14 and to encourage their stakeholders to participate as well. The theme of the Conference, *Energy and Enterprise*, offers an opportunity to illustrate the theme of World Hydrography Day 2014, *Hydrography - much more than just nautical charts* (see Reference A).
4. IHO Member States as well as the Chairs of IHO committees, sub-committees and working groups are also encouraged to respond to the call for abstracts posted on the website of Hydro14 (<http://www.hydroconferences.org/hydro2014>) in order to promote the activities of Hydrographic Offices and of the IHO in relation to the theme of the Conference.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,  
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Gilles Bessero', is written over a light blue circular stamp.

Gilles BESSERO  
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