GEBCO SECRETARY RESPONSIBILITIES

Submitted by GEBCO Secretary

SUMMARY

Executive Summary: This document provides details of the current duties and responsibilities of the GEBCO Secretary.

Action to be taken: See paragraph 3

Related documents: GGC ToRs and RoPs dated 11 September 2015

1. The current Terms of Reference (ToR) and Rules of Procedure (RoP) for the Joint IHO-IOC GEBCO Guiding Committee state, in article 2.2, that:

The Committee shall appoint a Secretary for a five-year term which can be renewed by the Committee. If resources permit and at the Committee's request, a secretary may be provided by either the Secretariat of the IHO or the IOC. The function of the Secretary shall be defined by the Guiding Committee.

- 2. The present duties carried out by the Secretary include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Coordination of the Project in accordance with the decisions of the Committee as recorded in the meeting reports;
 - b. Arrangement, agenda preparation, document publication, conduct and recording of Committee meetings;
 - c. Drafting and maintaining GEBCO Work Plan and budget, reflecting GGC approved subordinate bodies' input;
 - d. Liaison with the meeting host nation organizers and the Science Day conveners to ensure all logistic and requirements are considered;
 - e. Drafting final meeting reports, circulating to participants and publication of final agreed version;
 - f. Provision of annual statement of all GEBCO Funds, except NF/UHN fund, with details of annual income and expenditure;
 - g. Drafting annual GEBCO report to IRCC and IOC;
 - h. Drafting biennial GEBCO report to IOC Assembly;
 - i. Drafting triennial GEBCO report to IHO Assembly;
 - j. Acting as second signature of all approved expenditure invoices and travel forms;
 - k. Authorizing GGC approved annual expenditure items in accordance with the GEBCO annual Work Plan and Budget, such as the GEBCO website maintenance;
 - 1. Monitoring of progress on agreed actions and maintaining of a current list of the states of those actions;

- m. Acting as the main point of contact for GEBCO Project issues and enquiries;
- n. Maintenance of the membership list for the GGC, informing the chair of approaching term completions and vacancies; and
- o. Other tasks as agreed between the Secretary and the GGC.

3. The GGC is invited to:

- a. **Note** the information provided;
- b. **Confirm** the function of the Secretary; and
- c. Take any other **Action** deemed appropriate.