



IHO Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (HCA)

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Extraordinary Meeting

Monaco

25 April 2017

Agenda

1. Quick review of list of actions from HCA-14
2. Hydrographic awareness seminar proposed for ATCM-41 (Ecuador) in 2018
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History

Hydrographic Seminar at ATCM-31 (2008), Kiev, Ukraine

- ATCM-37 (2014) Resolution 5 “*strengthening cooperation in hydrographic surveying and charting of Antarctic waters*”
- ATCM-39 (2016) Santiago, Chile:
 - ... agreed to insert a new priority relating to hydrographic surveying in Antarctica, issue to be considered in 2018



IHO Report submitted to ATCM-40

- Proposal 1:

The IHO invites ATCM to include a seminar on the status and the impact of hydrography in the Antarctic to be delivered by the IHO as part of the programme for ATCM 41 in Ecuador in 2018.

- Proposal 2:

“The IHO invites ATCM to consider including in its relevant policy/doctrine/regulations covering ship operations (passenger vessels, scientific campaigns, supply activities, etc.), an encouragement that the measurement, recording and rendering of depth data should be undertaken at sea at all times as a routine environmental observing activity unless particular restrictions apply..”



Actions Requested:

1. HCA Members and Observers to liaise with their representatives at ATCM, prior to ATCM-40, in order to support the IHO proposals
2. HCA Members and Observers to report to the IHO Secretariat on their intentions to participate actively in the preparation and delivery of a Seminar no later than 31 Aug 2017



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3. Should we hold HCA-15 back-to-back with ATCM-41?



Possible arrangements if seminar agreed by ATCM

- ATCM usually runs for 10 days: Monday to Thursday +11
- Seminar likely to be conducted as part of WG2 – *Safety and Operations in Antarctica* (this year runs Thurs - Wed AM)

Proposal:

Arrive at ATCM: Not later than PM Wednesday

Depart from ATCM: Not earlier than AM Tuesday

HCA normally 3 days;

this proposal: 6 days, including seminar



Possible arrangements if seminar not agreed by ATCM

HCA-15

in New Zealand?

or Ecuador?

Somewhere else?

dates?



Action Requested:

- Initial views from HCA Members and Observers



