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**INVITATION TO ATTEND THE XXXIV GEBCO GUIDING COMMITTEE (GGC),  
JOINT SUB-COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL UNDERSEA MAPPING (SCRUM),  
TECHNICAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON OCEAN MAPPING (TSCOM) MEETINGS AND  
THE GEBCO BATHYMETRIC SCIENCE DAY**

**BUSAN, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, 13 - 17 November 2017**

17 May 2017

Dear Colleagues,

1. The GEBCO Guiding Committee (GGC), Technical Sub-Committee on Ocean Mapping (TSCOM), and Sub-Committee on Regional Undersea Mapping (SCRUM) will meet in Busan, Republic of Korea, from 13 to 17 November 2017. The GEBCO Bathymetric Science Day will also take place during this time. The meetings will be hosted by the Hydrographic Society of Korea (HSK), supported by the Korea Hydrographic and Oceanographic Agency (KHOA).
2. Please let the Point of Contact (POC) designated by the HSK and KHOA - Mr. BAEK Yong ([ybaek@korea.kr](mailto:ybaek@korea.kr) and [infokhoa@korea.kr](mailto:infokhoa@korea.kr)) - know as soon as possible and not later than **31 July 2017**, if you plan to attend so that some idea of numbers can be ascertained for logistic purposes. All attending the meeting must complete the registration form at Annex A and return it to the above mentioned e-mails, copied to David Wyatt ([adso@iho.int](mailto:adso@iho.int)), **no later than 30 September 2017**. The form is also available on the IHO-GEBCO web page ([http://www.iho.int/mtg\\_docs/com\\_wg/GEBCO/GGC/XXXIV\\_GGC/GGC34.htm](http://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/com_wg/GEBCO/GGC/XXXIV_GGC/GGC34.htm)). It is most unfair and very unhelpful to delay both your initial indication of participation and final registration until the last minute; it also threatens the viability of the events and certainly impacts on all aspects of the planning for our hosts.
3. Details of the hotel options are available in the Logistics Information document available on the IHO-GEBCO web page and at Annex B. Members attending must make their reservations directly with the hotel.
4. Programme

The programme planned is for five days, 13-17 November 2017 and is listed below; the Joint TSCOM-SCRUM meeting is open to all who are interested in ocean mapping. If you plan on attending, please inform the Chairs of your interest (TSCOM - Dr. Karen Marks, email: [Karen.Marks@noaa.gov](mailto:Karen.Marks@noaa.gov) and SCRUM - Dr. Vicki Ferrini, email: [ferrini@ldeo.columbia.edu](mailto:ferrini@ldeo.columbia.edu)). Also please inform the GEBCO Secretary, David Wyatt ([adso@iho.int](mailto:adso@iho.int)), of your interest in attending. The GEBCO Guiding Committee is open to all appointed members, ex-officio members, official observers and nominated representatives of IHO and IOC Member States as observers. Expert

contributors may attend as observers at the invitation of the committee, through the Secretary, with the approval of the Chair.

The GEBSCO Science Day is open to all but pre-registration is necessary because the maximum attendance for the Wednesday 15 November is 100 participants including speakers. A call for papers will be issued shortly.

The program details are as follows:

13 November 2017: (Monday)	Joint meeting of the Technical Sub-Committee on Ocean Mapping (TSCOM) and the Sub-Committee on Regional Undersea Mapping (SCRUM).	CAPRI Room, Paradise Hotel
14 November 2017: (Tuesday)	Joint meeting TSCOM and SCRUM.	CAPRI Room, Paradise Hotel
15 November 2017: (Wednesday)	Opening Ceremony and GEBSCO Bathymetric Science Day 2017	CAPRI Room, Paradise Hotel
16 November 2017: (Thursday)	1 <sup>st</sup> Day 34 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the GEBSCO Guiding Committee (GGC)	CAPRI Room, Paradise Hotel
17 November 2017: (Friday)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Day 34 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the GEBSCO Guiding Committee (GGC)	CAPRI Room, Paradise Hotel

5. As I anticipate a full GGC agenda with discussions requiring the entire two days, I encourage those attending the GGC meeting to make their travel arrangements to depart on Saturday 18 November 2017 or later.
6. Finally, anyone requiring a letter of invitation from the Republic of Korea for the purposes of obtaining a Visa is requested to inform the POC at the earliest opportunity.

On behalf of the Chairs  
Yours sincerely,



David Wyatt  
GEBSCO Secretary

Annexes:

- A. Meetings registration form
- B. Meetings logistics information.