



7TH IHO COUNCIL (C-7)

**Third IHO Assembly (A3) decisions
&
C-7 Discussions on the way forward**



Decision	Item	Proposed Way Forward
A3/05	The Assembly endorsed that the item related to a revised definition of hydrographic interest is closed until a new submission or proposal by Member State(s) is put forward to the Council/Assembly	No new submission received prior to C-7



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A3/08(a)	A3 agreed on the continuation of conduct the annual Work Programmes on the basis of the Strategic Plan in place for 2021 – 2026.	To be addressed under Agenda Item 6.1 C7-06.1A
A3/08(b)	A3 approved that Goal 1 of the IHO Strategic Plan and its targets shall have the highest priority in the implementation of the 2024–2026 Work Programme.	Noted – entire Work Programme is affected
A3/08(c)	A3 directed IRCC to provide guidance to the MSDI WG on the implementation of Goal 2/Target 2.1 through supporting national and regional MSDI WG efforts via RHCs and the continued provision of global thematic layers by means of the existing IHO GIS infrastructure. Any proposed extension of the portfolio of global thematic layers by MSDI WG has to be brought forward to IRCC for endorsement and Council for approval.	To be addressed by IRCC report, Agenda Items 4.2 & 6.1 C7-4.2A C7-06.1A



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A3/08(d)	A3 tasked the Secretariat, assisted by the HSSC and IRCC chairs, to continue to measure the effectiveness and the efficiency of the three Work Programmes implementation by means of the Strategic Performance Indicators as endorsed by the Council.	To be addressed under Agenda Items 4.1, 4.2 and 6.1 C7-04.1A C7-04.2A C7-06.1A
A3/08(e)	A3 tasked the Council with the development of the revised Strategic Plan to be put in place for 2027 – 2032 in compliance with the Planning Cycle and to submit the result for adoption by A-4 in 2026. The Council is empowered to establish a Working Group for this discrete purpose, if appropriate.	To be addressed under Agenda Items 6.2 C7-06.2A



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A3/13	A-3 took note and approved the fundamental strategic change introduced by the S-100 framework and approved the Dual Fuel Concept for S-100 ECDIS.	To be addressed under Agenda Item 4.1 C7-4.1A
A3/14	a) A3 recognized the need to establish the S-100 Infra Center and approved the foundation of a new Project Team under HSSC with a three-year work plan including the establishment of the S-100 Infra Center and to prepare for the actual implementation period with consideration of the possible location of the Center. b) A3 requested HSSC to propose to C-7 to establish the S-100 Infra Center and how it can support the S-100 framework. c) A3 tasked Council to report to A-4 the progress of its three-year operation including the establishment of the S-100 Infra Center.	To be addressed under Agenda Item 4.1 C7-4.1A



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A3/15	A3 Pro 2.3 “The Future of Digital Charting”: A3 was not able to reach an agreement but anticipate that the UK will keep Council and HSSC informed on the progress achieved with IMO and other interested partners.	Noted UK requested to provide update under Agenda Item 8.1 Any other Business
A3/20 (c)	<p>A3 PRO 3.5 “Alternative Fund Generation”</p> <p>a) A3 recognized the important global maritime issues facing the hydrographic community worldwide and that addressing these issues will require expanded global hydrographic capacity.</p> <p>b) A3 approved the proposal to establish an ad hoc Project Team under IRCC to explore the possible establishment of reliable alternative funding for activities including capacity building and GEBCO.</p> <p>c) A3 authorized Council via IRCC to review progress reports from the Project Team at least annually and provide guidance to the Project Team in preparation to report out to 4th Assembly (A4).</p>	<p>To be addressed by IRCC Report under Agenda Item 4.2</p> <p>C7-4.2A</p> <p>Red Book comments</p>



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A3/21	A3 tasked the Council to discuss the request from the SWPHC for the provision of mechanisms to ensure greater inclusion and participation of all Member States at IHO meetings, in particular the IHO Assembly and come up with solutions as soon as possible.	To be addressed under Agenda Item 7.1 C7-7.1A + Red Book Comments
A3/28 (c)	A3 Pro 1.4 „3-Year Work Programme and Budget 2024-2026“ a) A3 approved the 3 years’ Work Programme 2024 – 2026; b) A3 approved the 3 years’ budget estimates 2024 – 2026; c) tasked the Council to adapt the Work Programme 2024 – 2026 and Budget Estimates 2024 – 2026 according to the applying decisions made at A3.	To be addressed under Agenda Items 5.2 & 5.3 C7-05.3A C7-05.2A