

# 7th MEETING OF THE IHO COUNCIL

## Report of the Ad hoc Drafting Group Making IHO Events More Inclusive



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# Making IHO Events More Inclusive

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- Prepare an IHO Resolution on [Guidelines for Making IHO Events More Inclusive](#) (final title TBC) based on the recommendations made by the Secretary-General and preliminary analysis from AU, NZ & UK
- Drafting group to include AU, CL, FJ, SG, SE?, NZ(Lead), UK, US
- Objective to maximise participation at IHO meetings
  - Encourage PT, WG, Committees, Council & Assembly where possible to consider technology\* to increase participation, diversity and inclusion to ensure the widest possible contributions in delivery of the IHO strategy and workplan
  - \*Technology allows us to engage a much broader group by extending to additional participants through remote connections



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- Basic survey on MS, WG Chairs, & IHO Secretariat capacity & willingness to host meetings (PT/WG, Committees, Council & Assembly) based on the following requirements - cost, technology, bandwidth & expertise
  - Full remote VTC
  - Hybrid – in person & VTC
  - In person only + passive live stream
  - In person only
- Timeline
  - Draft proposed IHO Resolution by end January 2024 to Council/IHO Sec
  - Ad hoc team to launch basic survey end January 2024, to seek info on MS& IHO Sec capacity & willingness to host
  - Final IHO Resolution by end March 2024 submitted by CL to MS for approval



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# Basic Survey - capacity & willingness to host

**Capacity: Yes or No**

**Freq: 1=case by case, 2=annual, 3=by exception, 4=always**

	PT/WG		Committees		Council		Assembly	
	Capacity	Freq	Capacity	Freq	Capacity	Freq	Capacity	Freq
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