



ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME AND BUDGET

AGENDA ITEM 5.2.3

UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES TO ACQUIRE NEW IHO MEMBER STATES



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CABO VERDE BECAME THE 99TH IHO MEMBER STATE (4.033 KM² LAND, 5.934 KM² SEA) IN 2023

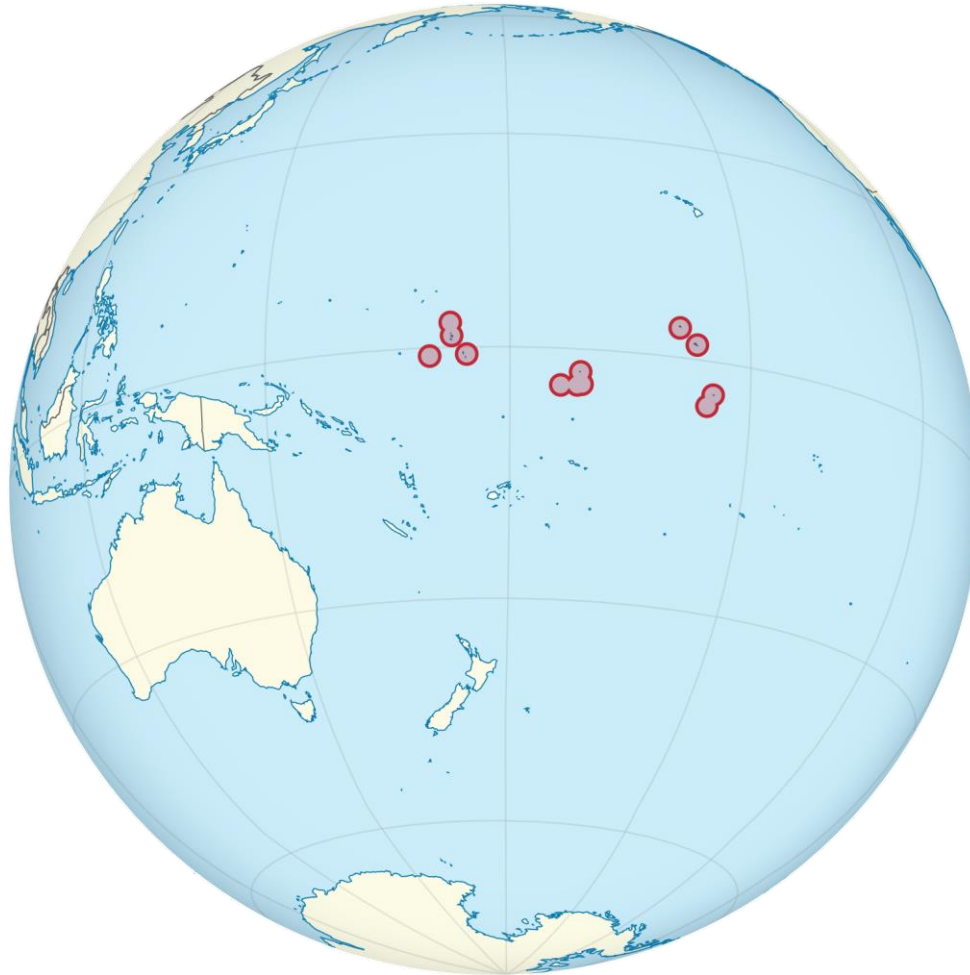
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KIRIBATI BECAME THE 100TH IHO MEMBER STATE (811 KM² LAND, 5,1 MILLION KM² SEA) IN 2024



- Through assession of Kiribati the IHO has reached the third digit in membership which symbolizes a remarkable milestone in the history of the Organization.
- It appears now that after substantial growth over the last decade - from 80 member states in 2014 to 100 member states today - organic growth among coastal states may be reaching a saturation point.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

- The IHO Member States, primarily via their Regional Hydrographic Organizations, are invited to continue to promote the benefits of IHO membership in their respective regions (including land locked states) and in their role as the chart producing agency for coastal states who do not run a full-service hydrographic office. The Secretariat stands ready at any time to assist.
- The IHO Secretariat will pursue further expansion of the IHO membership in line with the IHO Strategic Plan.



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ACTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY COUNCIL

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C-8 is invited to:

- take note of the report,
- provide guidance on the recommendations made.