



8th Meeting of the IHO Council

Report and recommendations from the Correspondence Group for the preparatory process of IHO Strategic Plan 2027-2032

Agenda Item C8-06.2A

C-8, IHO Secretariat, Monaco, 15 – 17 October 2024



- **Decision A3/8(e)**

The Assembly tasked the Council with the development of the revised Strategic Plan (SP) 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.

- **Decision C7/36**

The Council acknowledge that the current structure of the SP 2021-2026 was still relevant at conceptual level, and agreed that the objective for the next SP 2027-2032 should be limited to a revision of the current SP.

- **Decision C7/38**

The Council welcomed the offer from the Council Vice-Chair to lead a Correspondence Group on the ways and means to prepare the next IHO Strategic Plan 2027-2032.



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ACTIVITY OF THE CORRESPONDENCE GROUP

WAYS AND MEANS TO PREPARE THE NEXT IHO SP

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- Started its activity last November, with members consisting of BR, DE, DK, FR, GB, HR, JP, NO, NZ, SE, SG and US.
- Considered ways and mean to prepare the next IHO SP, taking into consideration that the next SP;
 - should be limited to a revision of the current SP
 - will be developed using a bottom-up approach
 - should be prepared in a short term (by Dec. 2025)
- Agreed to establish the Strategic Plan Review WG (SPRWG) and prepared its draft ToR, RoP and timeline for.



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DISCUSSION

TOR OF THE SPRWG (ANNEX A)

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Scoping Phase

- ✓ review the current IHO SP and inputs from HSSC and IRCC
- ✓ propose the definition of success for the IHO in 2032
- ✓ consider appropriate goals, targets, ways and means
- ✓ establish the timetable for drafting

1 month

Drafting Phase

- ✓ revise the existing goals and targets (if needed)
- ✓ define the criteria for measuring success
- ✓ consider the interrelation of the revised SP to other management
- ✓ prepare a draft SP for HSSC17 and IRCC17
- ✓ revise the draft SP iaw the results of HSSC17 and IRCC17, and provide the final draft to C-9
- ✓ support Council's submission of a proposal on the IHO SP 2027-2032 to A-4

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ROP OF SPRWG (ANNEX A)

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- The WG is open to all Member States.
- The Chair and Vice-Chair of the WG shall be nominated at the end of C-8 and the nominations shall be determined by vote of the Council Members present and voting.
- The Secretary, to be decided at C-8, shall prepare the reports required for submission to C-9 and to A-4 as directed by the Council.
- The WG should normally work by correspondence.
- Recommendations to Council shall generally be made by consensus.
- The WG will be disbanded after A-4 and the inputs from Assembly will be implemented into the proposed draft SP, if appropriate.



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RECOMMENDATIONS

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1. To establish SPRWG with its proposed ToR, RoP and timeline table to efficiently and effectively revise the current IHO SP.
2. To select the Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary of SPRWG for enabling its early actions after C-8, if the establishment of SPRWG is approved.



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ACTION REQUIRED OF THE COUNCIL

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The Council is invited to:

- a) note this report.
- b) approve the establishment of SPRWG.
- c) select the Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary of SPRWG.
- d) endorse ToR and RoP of SPRWG as presented in Annex A.
- e) notify SPRWG to consider the timeline in Annex B.
- f) task the IHO Secretariat to issue an IHO Circular Letter to call for comments on ToR and invite the Member States to SPRWG at the earliest possible time after C-8. SPRWG will start its relevant activity on 1 November 2024.
- g) take any other action if appropriate.