

C-55 Review Project Team (C-55RPT)
Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure

References:

- A. IHO Publication C-55 *Status of Hydrographic Surveying and Nautical Charting Worldwide*
- B. IHO Circular Letter 52/2015 dated 15 July - *IHO Publication C-55 - Status Of Hydrographic Surveying And Nautical Charting Worldwide - Request For Updated Information*

Considering that:

- a) some Member States reported difficulties to derive data related to hydrographic surveys to input C-55;
- b) some Member States reported the use of CATZOC to derive the C-55 indicator regarding the status of hydrographic surveying;
- c) the current process for input data to C-55 is prone to errors as observed by the IHO Secretariat while ingesting data;
- d) there is a lack of consistency in the categorization of C-55 survey data adequacy;
- e) current GIS technology may allow C-55 use in a wider and more efficient way and reduce the errors presently observed;
- f) an improved C-55 may contribute for future country maritime profile (as defined by IMO) for coastal States.

The CBSC establishes a C-55 Review Project Team (C-55RPT) with the following Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure. The C-55RPT shall report to the CBSC.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 1. Evaluate the current limitations to input data related to Hydrographic survey status in C-55 as they are presently derived in a subjective manner by States.
- 2. Seek informal comments and suggestions from Member States on their current methods of populating C-55 and on the evaluation on the limitations identified by the C-55RPT.
- 3. Develop a proposal to address the above limitations taking into consideration the comments and suggestions from Member States.

RULES OF PROCEDURE

- 1. The C-55RPT shall comprise of representatives of IHO Member States and a representative of the IHO Secretariat. A membership list shall be maintained and posted on the IHO website.
- 2. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be a representative of a Member State and will be appointed by the CBSC.
- 3. If a Secretary is required, it should normally be drawn from a Member of the C-55RPT.
- 4. If the Chair is unable to carry out the duties of the office, the Vice-Chair shall assume the Chair with the same powers and duties.
- 5. The C-55RPT should work by correspondence and teleconferences. If meetings are to be scheduled they should happen in conjunction with other meetings.
- 6. Decisions should generally be made by consensus. Votes shall be made via e-mail and on the basis of one vote per Member represented in the C-55RPT and responding to the CL.
- 7. The expected conclusion of the RPT is CBSC17. If progress is slowed, the Chair shall inform the CBSC Chair and, at a minimum, submit a status report to CBSC17 including the expected conclusion of the effort.
- 8. The RPT may liaise with other IHO bodies, international organizations and industry to ensure the relevance of its work.
- 9. No detailed work plan is expected; the approved Terms of Reference will serve this purpose.