

## 1.1. IHO-IOC GEBCO Sub-Committee for Undersea Feature Names (SCUFN) Work Plan 2024-2025

### 1.1 SCUFN Tasks

- B Ensure conduct of SCUFN meeting (IHO Task 3.6.1)
- E Maintain IHO bathymetric publications (IHO Task 3.6.6) including: B-6 and B-8
- J Update and enhance the GEBCO Gazetteer (B-8) for internet access (IHO Task 3.6.10) including providing the GEBCO Gazetteer as a web service via a geospatially enabled database and develop and make available public and management on-line interfaces to the Gazetteer –  
Develop the integration of undersea feature concepts in the S-100 framework

Task	Work item	Priority H-high M-medium L-low	Milestones	Start Date	End Date	Status P-planned O-ongoing C-completed	Contact Person(s) * indicates leader	Related Pubs/Standard/Comments	Funding Bid (€)	GGC Decision
B1	Ensure conduct of SCUFN meeting	H		Permanent		O	SCUFN Chair/Secretary	A plenary meeting planned in November 2025 as part of business continuity measures.		
B2	Develop a Repository of Typical Cases for SCUFN and Cookbook for Generic Terms for helping in the consistency of the decision-making process	M		2017	Continuous	O	Roberta Ivaldi/Kevin MacKay	SCUFN ToRs and RoPs Since 2020, this includes some new developments on geometric definitions of features. Possible impact for the preparation of Ed. 4.3.0 of B-6 in future.		
B3	Renewal of SCUFN Membership							N/A in 2024-2025		

B4	SCUFN Naming 2030 Sub-Group	H		2023	Continuous	O	Mike Coffin and Hyun-Suk Lee as co-chairs	This Sub-Group aims to prepare the future of SCUFN through the development of a new designator model, based on Geographic Feature Unique Identifier, and accepting multilingual attributes for the same feature. In SCUFN-37, the subcommittee tasked the sub-group to start the development of a new UFN S-100 compliant data model and present it at SCUFN-38.		
B5	Maintain relationship with other stakeholders (national naming boards, UNGEGN, GEBCO, Marine Regions, ...)	H			Continuous	O	SCUFN Chair/ Secretary/Trent Palmer (for UN GEGN)	Database Quality, Interoperability.		
E1	Maintain IHO bathymetric publications	L		Continuous	Continuous	C		Possible amendments to align with scufn.ops-webservices.kr and SCUFN cookbook		
E2	Encourage the provision of bathymetric data associated to UFN	H		2018	Continuous	O	SCUFN Chair/Secretary/SCUFN Members	GEBCO Grid Actions in progress through B-6 and development of integrated web services as well as relations between Secretary and proposers post-meetings		
J1	Update and enhance the GEBCO Gazetteer (B-8) database	H		Annual	Annual	O	SCUFN Chair/Secretary	B-8 – Gazetteer (implement SCUFN meeting decisions in the database, monitor pending names, chase SCUFN actions with proposers, chase missing data) – Work carried out by contract.	15,000€/year Key tasks are outsourced to former SCUFN Secretary otherwise would be impossible.	
J2	Maintain the GEBCO Gazetteer as a web service via a geospatially enabled database	H		2016	Permanent	O	SCUFN Chair/ Secretary/Cris Slatar/Jennifer Jencks	B-8 – Gazetteer – Capture user requirements (incl. SCUFN Secretary), develop improvements and general maintenance. New release made in Gazetteer v5 with major enhancements.		

J3	Develop and make available public and management on-line interfaces to the Gazetteer	H		2014	2023/24	O	Hyun-Chul Han (as SCUFN Chair) /KHOA	B-8 – Gazetteer Management Plan New requirement from IHO Secretariat to develop an IHO SCUFN Archive as part of SCUFN web services.		
J4	Develop a S-100-based product specification (if confirmed) for Undersea Feature Names	M / L		2015	Continuous	O	Chair Project Team (Anna Hendi)	S-100, B-6 Harmonized definitions of generic terms across B-6, S-32, IHO GI Registry		
J5	Upgrade the quality of the geometry of major existing undersea features in the Gazetteer which are known as being inaccurate and ambiguous	M		2017	Permanent	P	SCUFN Members	B-8 - Gazetteer (Aim: 10 features / SCUFN Member / per year)		

## 1.2 SCUFN Meetings (IHO Task 3.6.1 refers)

Date	Location	Activity
10-14 November 2025	Bali, Indonesia	38 <sup>th</sup> Meeting

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