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**SCUFN Letter No. 01/2014**

**To:** SCUFN Members and Observers

**Subject:** 27th Meeting of SCUFN, 16-20 June 2014, Monaco

Dear Colleagues,

1 The 27<sup>th</sup> meeting of the GEBCO Sub-Committee on Undersea Feature Names (SCUFN-27) will be hosted by the International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB) in Monaco on 16-20 June 2014. All documents pertaining to SCUFN-27, including logistical information is available from the IHO website ([www.iho.int/mtg\\_docs/com\\_wg/SCUFN/SCUFN27/SCUFN27Docs.htm](http://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/com_wg/SCUFN/SCUFN27/SCUFN27Docs.htm)). This letter proposes a provisional agenda for the meeting and provides additional information.

2 A provisional agenda for SCUFN-27 is provided in Annex A. Associated documents have tentatively been listed. SCUFN members/observers are kindly requested to review this draft and provide any comments / new agenda items to the Secretary ([adcs@iho.int](mailto:adcs@iho.int)), copy to the Chair ([hans-werner.schenke@awi.de](mailto:hans-werner.schenke@awi.de)) and the Vice Chair ([Lisa.A.Taylor@noaa.gov](mailto:Lisa.A.Taylor@noaa.gov)), at their earliest convenience. A final draft will then be prepared and made available on the IHO website.

3 Undersea feature name proposals should be submitted to the Secretary **by 16 May**, i.e. one month in advance of the meeting. Other documents intended for consideration at the meeting, e.g., letters to the sub-committee, white papers or reports should reach the Secretary as early as possible. Upon receipt, all documents will be placed on the IHO website. Proposals are being posted in a

password-protected section until the end of the meeting (password details have been provided separately to all SCUFN members by the Secretary). It is worth noting that SCUFN members are no longer allowed to submit proposals themselves, according to the new edition 4.1.0 of Publication B-6 *Standardization of Undersea Feature Names* (section 2 ii in page 1-vi refers). However, they can support the preparation of proposals. SCUFN members are encouraged to review all proposals before the meeting.

4 Attention is drawn on Item 2.5 of the Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure for SCUFN, as reproduced below:

*“Members are expected to attend every meeting of the Sub-Committee. Sub-Committee Members who are absent from meetings over two consecutive years will normally be considered to have resigned and new nominations shall be sought from the relevant parent organization.”*

It is therefore hoped that as many SCUFN members as possible will be attending SCUFN-27.

5 The [Report of SCUFN-26](#) is available on the IHO and GEBCO websites. It includes an actions list in its Annex D. Those concerned with the actions listed, or who can help to progress them, are urged to do so at their earliest convenience. The secretary will continue monitoring all actions from SCUFN-26 and earlier meetings, with a view to reporting on their progress at SCUFN-27.

6 This letter constitutes a formal invitation for all SCUFN members and observers to attend SCUFN-27. Specific invitation letters will be provided on request to the IHB (attn: Ms. Caroline Fontanili – e-mail: [pa@iho.int](mailto:pa@iho.int); phone: +377-93-10-81-11) for those who need such invitation letter in support of their visa application.

7 I very much look forward to seeing many of you at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,



Prof. Dr. Hans Werner SCHENKE  
Chairman of SCUFN

**Annex:**

A. Provisional agenda for SCUFN-27

**27th SCUFN MEETING  
Monaco, 16-20 June 2014**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

Notes: 1) Meeting to start at 0900 at the IHB in Monaco on Monday 16 June 2014  
2) Names of prospective presenters of papers are given in parenthesis.

**1. Opening and Administrative Arrangements**

*Doc:* SCUFN27-01A *List of Documents (Secretary)*  
SCUFN27-01B *List of Participants (Secretary)*  
SCUFN27-01C *SCUFN Membership and Observers List (Secretary)*

**2. Approval of Agenda**

*Doc:* SCUFN27-02A *Agenda (Secretary)*  
SCUFN27-02B *Programme (Secretary)*

**3. Matters remaining from Previous Meetings**

3.1 Review of Actions from SCUFN-26  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-03.1A *List of Actions from SCUFN-26 and Status (Secretary)*  
3.2 Review and Approval of SCUFN-26 Report  
*Doc:* *Report of SCUFN-26*

**4. Proposals Submitted during Intersessional Period**

4.1 SHOM, France  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-04.1A *Proposal by SHOM, France*  
4.2 AWI, Germany  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-04.2A *Proposals by AWI, Germany*  
4.3 NHC, Malaysia  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-04.3A *Proposals by NHC, Malaysia*  
Etc.

**5. Liaison with Other Geographical Name Bodies**

5.1 Advisory Committee on Undersea Features (ACUF) of the US Board on Geographical Names  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-05.1A *Reports of ACUF Activities (J. Nerantzis / T. Palmer)*  
5.2 Undersea Names Committee of the New Zealand Geographic Board (NZGB)  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-05.2A *Issues raised by the NZGB Undersea Names Committee (V. Stagpoole)*  
5.3 UN Group of Experts on Geographical Names (UNGEGN)  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-05.3A *Report on the 28<sup>th</sup> UNGEGN Meeting and Notice of UNGEGN-29 (T. Palmer)*  
5.4 Marine Regions  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-05.4A *Activities of Marine Regions of interest to SCUFN (S. Claus)*

**6. Standardization of Undersea Feature Names: IHO-IOC Publication B-6**

*Doc:* SCUFN27-06A *Summary of issues related to B-6 (Secretary)*

**7. Gazetteer of Undersea Feature Names**

7.1 On-line interface to GEBCO Gazetteer database  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-07.1A *Summary of issues related to the on-line GEBCO Gazetteer (L. Taylor / M. Huet)*  
7.2 Review of pending names in the GEBCO Gazetteer  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-07.2A *Pending Names in the GEBCO Gazetteer – Current Status (Secretary)*  
7.3 Minor Undersea Features  
*Doc:* SCUFN27-07.3A *Status of the SCUFN “Micro Feature Names” issue (??)*

7.4 Unnamed Seamount in the Pacific Ocean

Doc: SCUFN27-07.4A *Unnamed Seamounts in the Pacific Ocean – Current Status (W. Reynoso-Peralta)*

**8. Any Other Business**

**9. Site and Dates for the Next Meeting**

**10. Conclusion**

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