

DECISIONS OF THE 2nd SESSION OF THE IHO ASSEMBLY

Decision No.	Description
1	The Assembly, following a special voting procedure depicted in ACL 20/2020 and reported in ACL 25/2020, elected Rear Admiral Luigi SINAPI (Italy) to a post of Director for a term of office of six years starting on 1 September 2020.
2	The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the interpretation that the Council has the authority to request and consider proposals submitted by Member States or the Secretary-General and confirmed that the Council is entitled to propose amendments to the General Regulations of the IHO for Member States' approval.
3	The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the final proposal compiled by the Secretary-General on the revision of Articles 14, 15, 20 and 25 of the General Regulations of the IHO (ACL 26/2020 refers).
4	The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the final proposal compiled by the Secretary-General on the revision of Clause (c) of Article 16 of the General Regulations of the IHO – Hydrographic Interest (ACL 26/2020 refers).
5	The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved Table of Tonnages, Shares, Contribution and Votes (2021-2023) (Assembly Document – A2_2020_G_03_EN - Table of Tonnages, Shares, Contribution and Votes (2021-2023)).
6	The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved Revision of Rule 12 of the Rules of Procedure of the IHO Council and consequence on Rules 8 and 11 - Timing of Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair.
7	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the establishment of an IHO strategy and resolution for gender-inclusive language.</p> <p>The Assembly tasked the Secretary-General to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to conduct a comprehensive review of the IHO Basic Documents and Resolutions, adopting the UN Guidelines on Gender-inclusive Language, and to provide draft revisions of IHO Publications M-1 and M-3 for the consideration of the Assembly at the next ordinary session (A-3). - to monitor the IHO's progress towards the implementation of the UN Guidelines on Gender-inclusive Language to all IHO documentation and communications and report to the Assembly at the next ordinary session (A-3).

8	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the establishment of the joint IHO-Singapore Innovation and Technology Laboratory in Singapore to coordinate and testbed initiatives under the proposed composition, governance structure and terms of reference for the governing board and the management team.</p> <p>The Assembly tasked</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the Secretariat as well as the Chairs of HSSC and IRCC to represent the IHO on the governing board and report regularly to the Council; - the Council to advise the governing board of the laboratory on other themes and projects regarded as supportive to the IHO Work Programme.
9	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved the Revision of the IHO Resolution 2/1997 – Establishment of Regional Hydrographic Commissions (RHC) (Assembly Document A2_2020_PRO3-1_EN_Res_21997_cc_v1).</p>
10	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, approved Revision of the IHO Resolution 1/2005 - IHO Response to Disasters (Assembly Document A2_2020_PRO3-2_EN_Res_12005_cc_v1).</p>
11	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, confirmed the option to convene Council meetings regularly at the IHO Secretariat until the Council decides otherwise.</p>
12	<p>The Assembly, following the approved voting procedure by correspondence as reported in ACL 19/2020, confirmed the adoption of the effective implementation of the Revised Strategic Plan keeping in mind to apply the principles of ISO 9001 as the main theme of supervision and control of the Council until Assembly 3 (A-3).</p>
13	<p>The Assembly reviewed and endorsed the selection process for the Council as proposed in IHO CL 52/2019 Rev1 and approved the composition of the Council set out in Annex A of IHO ACL 28/2020 for the period 2020-2023 (until the 3rd Session of the Assembly).</p>
14	<p>The Assembly tasked the new Council to consider the best way forward with proposals A-2 PRO-1.4 and A-2 PRO-1.5 on the definition of hydrographic interest and report to A-3 in 2023 and empowered the Council to establish a working group for this specific purpose.</p>
15	<p>The Assembly approved to move the thematic session on the celebrations of the one hundred years of IHO's existence to the activities planned for the World Hydrographic Day on 21 June 2021.</p>
16	<p>The Assembly adopted the Agenda of the Assembly Session events without amendment.</p>
17	<p>The Assembly noted the list of ex post facto decisions in view of the List of Proposals to A-2.</p>
18	<p>The Assembly endorsed the Council Chair's report.</p>
19	<p>The Assembly approved the revised Strategic Plan.</p>

20	The Assembly tasked the Council to monitor closely the appropriateness and applicability of the proposed Strategic Performance Indicators and amend them if deemed necessary.
21	The Assembly tasked the Council to disband the SPRWG.
22	The Assembly tasked the Secretary-General to align the 2021 and 3-year IHO Work Programme 2021-2023 with the Revised Strategic Plan while keeping the current structure of the Work Programme to facilitate the operational work and implementation by the Secretariat.
23	The Assembly took note of Secretary-General's report on the informal consultation process for the future of S-23 (A2/PRO 1.9).
24	The Assembly approved the proposal for the future of S-23 (A2/PRO 1.9) made as a package.
25	The Assembly tasked the Secretary-General with the implementation of the proposal A2/PRO 1.9.
26	The Assembly approved the Update Report of the HSSC as part of the approval process of the Council Chair report.
27	The Assembly endorsed the HSSC recommendations on the Future of the Paper Nautical Chart.
28	The Assembly tasked the HSSC to implement the recommendations on the Future of the Paper Nautical Chart as appropriate.
29	The Assembly endorsed the S-100 Implementation Roadmap for the S-100 Implementation Decade.
30	The Assembly tasked the Council to maintain and update the S-100 Roadmap and resulting activities in liaison with external bodies on an annual basis as a key priority of the Council activities.
31	The Assembly endorsed to add three annexes to the S-100 Implementation Strategy related to the IHO Work Programmes 1, 2 and 3, to be updated annually and reported to the Council.
32	Considering the ROK proposal, A2/PRO 2.3, the Assembly approved the proposed HSSC way forward that: When the operational implementation of the S-100 concept becomes mature enough, proposed amendments to the Resolutions, eventually complemented by other new Resolutions (such as a result of WEND100), will be discussed and submitted to relevant IHO organs for subsequent approval by Member States.
33	The Assembly tasked the HSSC to prepare a synoptic Dual-Fuel Concept summary report on the various options offered to HOs for considering the development of their production of S-101 ENCs to address the valid concerns raised by China in A2/PRO 2.2 to be reported by HSSC to Council 5, 2021.
34	The Assembly approved the update report of the IRCC as part of the approval process of the Council Chair Report.

35	The Assembly approved the adoption of a new work item of Empowering Women in Hydrography (EWH) to the Work Programme of the CBSC.
36	The Assembly recommended the Member States to consider participation in the EWH project proposed by Canada.
37	The Assembly acknowledged the significant effort from CB Coordinators.
38	The Assembly endorsed the draft WEND100 Principles presented at IRCC12 and the proposed path forward in their subsequent development, as a consequence of the expanding range of hydrographic data products addressed in the S-100 Implementation Strategy.
39	The Assembly tasked the IHO Secretariat to secure funding to support EWH projects through negotiation of suitable cooperation agreements with interested Member States and/or partnering organizations.
40	The Assembly noted the development of the S-100 based Product Specifications by other organizations.
41	The Assembly noted the impact of decisions of other organizations on the S-100 roadmap for the S-100 Implementation Decade.
42	The Assembly endorsed the activities to install an IHO e-Learning Center based on A-2 Pro 3.3 and the related recommendations of the IRCC/CBSC.
43	The Assembly noted the report on significant issues and updates raised by the RHC and HCA reports.
44	The Assembly noted the efforts of RHCs and HCA to improve cooperation, capacity building activities, data sharing and harmonization.
45	The Assembly approved the financial report for the three-year intersessional period 2017 – 2019.
46	The Assembly noted of the actual and assumed impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and preventive measures proposed by the Secretary-General.
47	The Assembly noted of the election of Ms Isabelle Rosabrunetto (Monaco) as Chair of the Finance Committee and Mr Andrew Millard (United Kingdom) as Vice-Chair of the Finance Committee for the Assembly intermediate period commencing after A-2 (2020) until the end of A-3 (2023).
48	The Assembly approved the three-year IHO Work Programme and Budget estimates 2021-2023.
49	The Assembly endorsed the alignment of Work Programme to the Strategic Plan (introduction of column G&T, deletion of column SD and deletion of Annex A).
50	The Assembly approved the option of a consecutive annual increase of 1% of the Member States contribution share from 2022 to 2023 subject to the annual approval by C-5 and C-6 as part of the approval process of the annual budget (A2 PRO 1.7).
51	The Assembly approved the draft Resolution expressing gratitude and appreciation to the Government of Monaco:

	<p>“The Assembly:</p> <p>Recognizing the continued close association and significant support of His Serene Highness Prince ALBERT II and the Government of the Principality of Monaco in hosting the International Hydrographic Organization,</p> <p>Appreciating the kind generosity of His Serene Highness and the Government of the Principality of Monaco in providing premises for the Organization,</p> <p>Further appreciating the Opening Address delivered by video by His Serene Highness Prince ALBERT II at the 2nd Session of the IHO Assembly,</p> <p>Expresses its profound gratitude to His Serene Highness Prince ALBERT II and the Government of the Principality of Monaco for their graciousness and kind hospitality extended to the Organization, and</p> <p>Requests the delegation of the Principality of Monaco to convey to His Serene Highness and the Government of the Principality of Monaco the sincere sentiments of the Assembly expressed above.”</p>
<p>52</p>	<p>The Assembly adopted the seating order originally agreed for the 2nd Assembly Session now for the 3rd Assembly Session.</p>