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# ARMSDIWG Report (ARHC13-C4)

*Current status and planned actions of the ARMSDIWG.*

13<sup>th</sup> Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission Meeting

05-07 SEP 2023

# ARMSDIWG7

## ▪ Meetings

- ARMSDIWG 7.1, 14 DEC 2022
- ARMSDIWG 7.2, 12 APR 2023
- ARMSDIWG 7.3, 09 AUG 2023
- Task Lead Meetings

## ▪ Highlights

- Work Plan Task Leads
- Communication Plan
- Strategy for ARMSDIWG's Engagement with Arctic SDI
- OGC Federated MSDI Pilot: Phase 3
- IHO Strategic Plan, Target 2.1 Execution

# Work Plan Task Leads

Improved organization and focus areas:

- Task A, **Communication: Strategy, Collaboration, and Outreach**
  - Leads: **DNK & USA**
- Task B, **Technical: Standards and Technology Implementation**
  - Leads: **CAN & NOR**
- Task C, **Operations: IHO Strategic Plan, Target 2.1 Execution**
  - Leads: **CAN & USA**

# Communication: Strategy, Collaboration, and Outreach

## ■ Communication Plan

### ■ Schedule

Activity	Frequency	Responsible Party
Submit Yearly Report to ARHC	Yearly (Aug/Sep)	ARMSDIWG Chair
Provide Summary Updates to Arctic SDI	Quarterly	ARMSDIWG Communication Task Leads
Update ARHC Webpage	Semi-Annually	ARMSDIWG Communication Task Leads
Log Interactions/Coordination with External Marine Data Authorities/Organizations	Semi-Annually	ARMSDIWG Communication Task Leads
Review Strategic Documents	Semi-Annually	ARMSDIWG Communication Task Leads

## ■ Cooperation with Arctic SDI

- At the time of this report, the Arctic SDI is still pausing all official meetings until further notice.
- Respective national-level counterpart engagement.
- *Strategy for ARMSDIWG's Engagement with Arctic SDI*

## ■ Web Page: <https://iho.int/en/armsdi-wg>

# **Technical: Standards and Technology Implementation**



[Video Demonstrations](#)

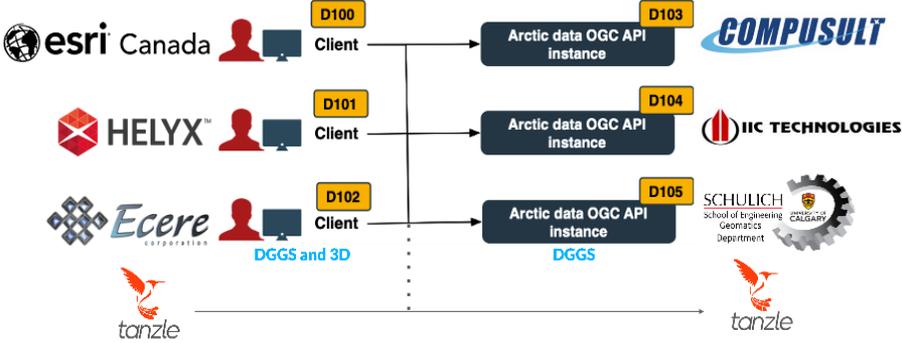


[Engineering Report](#)



*Area of interest and grounded expedition ship*

- Concluded in FEB 2023: focused on land/sea use cases in Arctic region and utilized previous work of the **Arctic Voyage Planning Guide (AVPG)** under **ARHC**, and invited all **ARMSDIWG** representatives to participate as observers.
- **A sea-based, transportation, health and safety scenario** involving an expedition cruise ship, running aground in Kotzebue Sound on the west coast of Alaska. This area included national parks and several Large Marine Ecosystems (LMEs) with challenging navigational conditions. Sub-scenarios demonstrated how technology and data used with **OGC and IHO standards**, such as the **OGC APIs** and **IHO S-100**, could effectively aid in decision making during an emergency event.
- **Despite limited data in the use case area**, all participants were **successful in implementing their respective server or client component**. The available **engineering report** and **video demonstrations** documented and showcased how data can be discovered, accessed, used, and reused, shared, processed, analyzed, and visualized using **OGC APIs**, **IHO S-100 data**, **Discrete Global Grid Systems (DGGS)**, as well as identifying gaps experienced and future recommendations for **Digital Twins of the Arctic**.



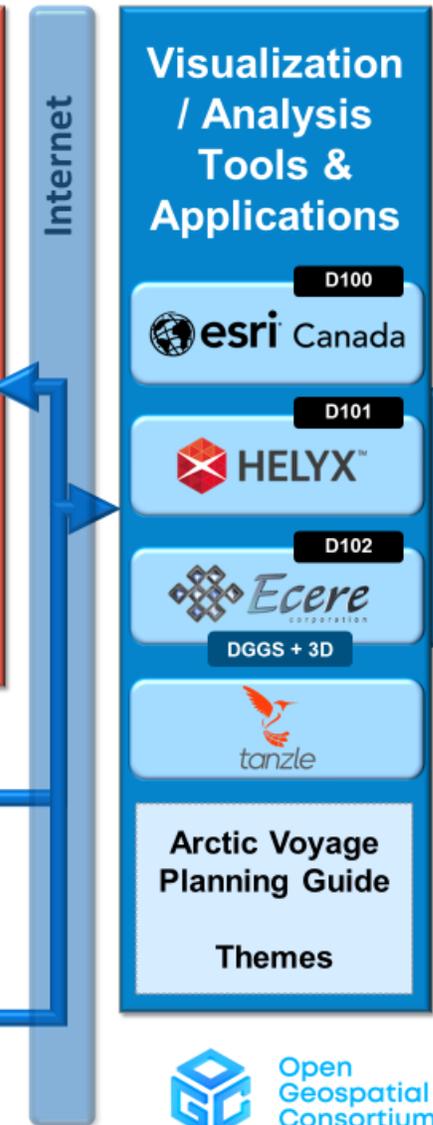
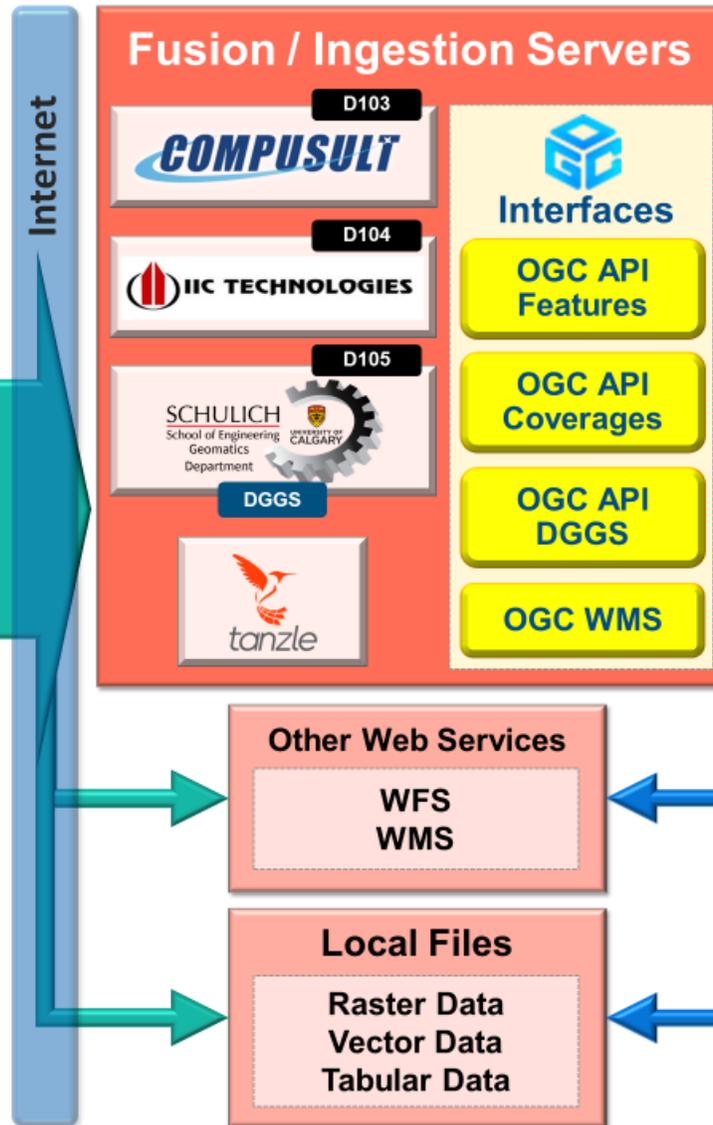
*Participants and their roles*



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# Federated Marine SDI Pilot – Phase 3: Emergency Response to an Expedition Ship Running Aground in Alaska

## Data Sources



## End Users



# Operations: IHO Strategic Plan, Target 2.1 Execution

- ARMSDIWG reps will continue to participate in IHO MSDIWG to understand IRCC's guidance on thematic layers that should be contributed to the existing IHO GIS infrastructure, for the Arctic region, to assist in implementation of IHO Strategic Plan, Target 2.1.
- Previously, at ARHC 11, ARMSDIWG provided a MSDI Aggregated Data Web Service Checklist for the ARHC, which could still serve a guide, or furthermore, an annual checklist, if accepted by ARHC MS as an annual document for submittal along with Member State national.
- This checklist could also be revised with respect to support the targets of UN Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) #14 in the Arctic region through the goal of sharing core, marine/maritime, spatiotemporal data that is reusable, as defined in ARMSDIWG's Terms Of Reference.


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Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission (ARHC)  
Arctic Regional Marine Spatial Data Infrastructures Working Group (ARMSDIWG)

**MSDI Aggregated Data Web Service Checklist for the ARHC**

In keeping with ARMSDIWG's Terms of Reference task to "identify and assess the statuses of individual MS MSI implementation and operationalization", the ARMSDIWG has asked the hydrographic offices of ARHC to complete this checklist annually. Doing so will allow ARMSDIWG, on behalf of ARHC, to track the status of fulfilling Arctic MSI-related data web service requests identified by ARHC, and to enable a federated approach to MSI in the Arctic with data directly from each national hydrographic authority or partner agency/organization.

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**General Arctic Hydrographic Office Data**  
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**Arctic Voyage Planning Guide (AVPG)**  
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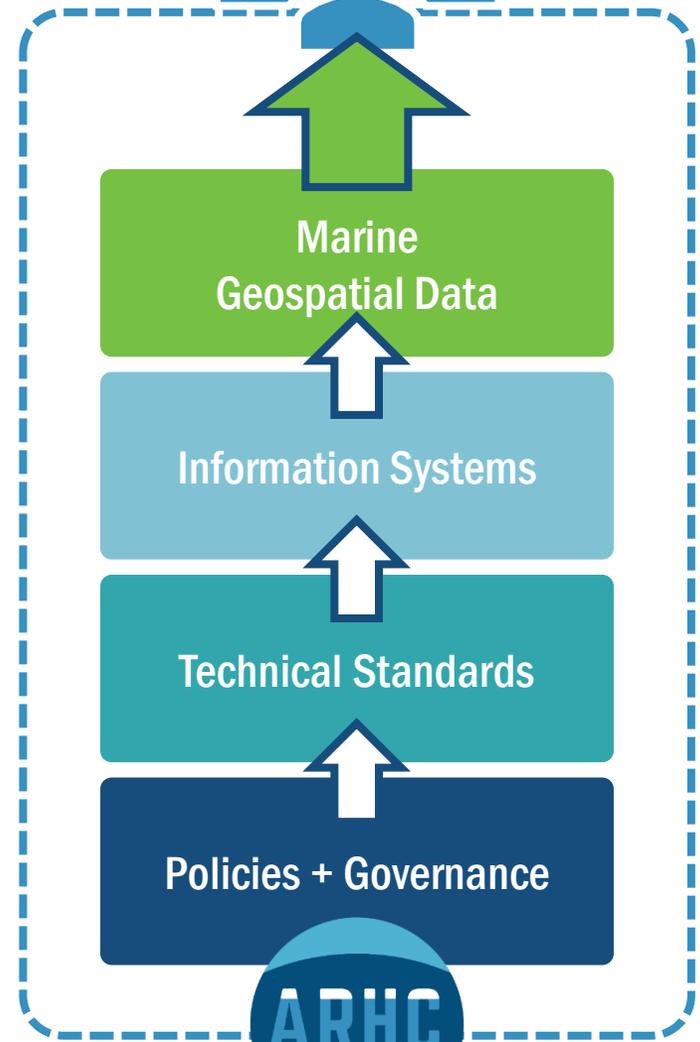


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# Invited Actions of ARHC

- Take note of the report.
- Take note of the ARMSDIWG Communication Plan 2023-2026 provided in Annex A.
- Take note of the Strategy for ARMSDIWG's Engagement with Arctic SDI in Annex B.
- Reconsider revising and utilizing the MSDI Aggregated Data Web Service Checklist for the ARHC, to help implement IHO Strategic Plan, Target 2.1 from an Arctic regional perspective.
- Select a new ARMSDIWG Chair in accordance with ARMSDIWG Terms Of Reference.
- Take action as seen appropriate.

