



16TH CONFERENCE OF THE EASTERN ATLANTIC HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION

IHO SECRETARIAT REPORT BY

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AGENDA

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1. Regional and IHO Membership
2. 2nd IHO Assembly main outcomes
3. IHO GIS and Databases
4. IHO Outreach
5. Actions requested of EAthC



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REGIONAL AND IHO MEMBERSHIP

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- Ghana, Samoa, Lebanon and Kenya have been 92nd, 93rd, 94th & 95th Member of the IHO respectively
- Democratic Republic of the Congo, reinstated as full IHO Member State since 16 September 2021 (IHO CL 36/2021 refers) → **DRC to consider signing EAtHC Statutes**
- Non-IHO Member States of the EAtHC region: Benin, Cabo Verde, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Gambia, Liberia and São Tome and Principe.
- The IHO Secretariat, in cooperation with the Department of External Relations of the Government of Monaco, stands ready to assist all coastal states for the application process for membership of the IHO



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EXTRACT FROM IHO SECRETARIAT'S REPORT (ASSEMBLY)

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- The 2nd Assembly, structured as 3 daily remote sessions of 3 hours each, examined 17 proposals and several reports tabled by Member States, by subordinate organs and by the Secretary-General. The Assembly agreed on 52 decisions, including the approval of the revised Strategic Plan, the Work Programme and Budget of the Organization for the next three-year period by consensus, using the silence procedure.
- All the documents related to the 2nd Assembly are available at the IHO website and the Proceedings (P-7) is available there as well. The Assembly agreed in principle to host its third session from 24 to 28 April 2023 in Monaco.
- → EAtHC is invited to adapt their respective instruments to comply with the recommendations of the IHO Resolution 2/1997 (Establishment of Regional Hydrographic Commissions (RHC) as amended by A-2.

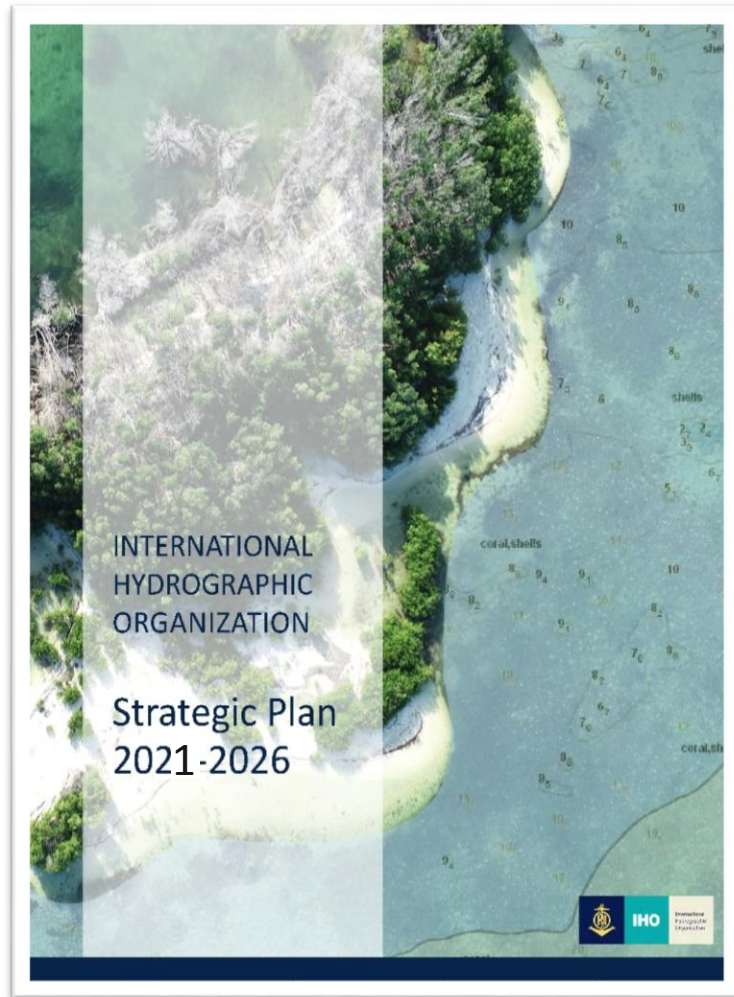


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STRATEGIC PLAN

IHO CL34/2021 - IRCC WORKSHOP ON THE STRATEGIC PLAN - 7 OCTOBER 2021 VTC
EVENT

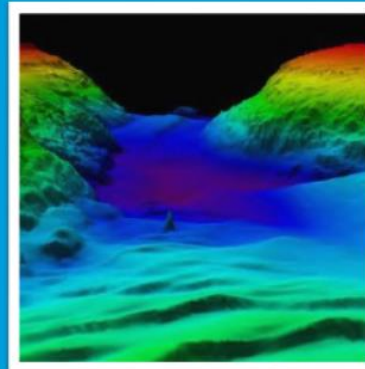
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STANDARD

Goal 1

Evolving the hydrographic support for safety and efficiency of maritime navigation, undergoing profound transformation



Goal 2

Increasing the use of hydrographic data for the benefit of society



DATA

KNOWLEDGE

Goal 3

Participating actively in international initiatives related to the knowledge and the sustainable use of the Ocean





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IHO GIS AND DATABASES

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- Yearbook (P-5) and Status of Hydrographic Surveying and Charting Worldwide (C-55) are regularly updated. A table of P-5 is included in the report and the status of C-55 is also available under the meeting documents.
- The IHO Online Form system has been used since March 2019 IAW CL20/2019 and CL03/2020
- → EAtHC Member States, Associate Members, Observers are invited to review their entry in the IHO Yearbook and C-55 and to provide the IHO Secretariat with the appropriate updates or to report no change (CL 20/2019 refers)



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IHO OUTREACH

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- The WHD 2021 as announced by IHO CL 01/2021 is: “One hundred years of international cooperation in hydrography”: 15 Member States sent content to the IHO to post on the website and 6 different MS tweeted about it. 39 organizations and companies tweeted, plus several individuals (including the president of Iceland).
- The new IHO website totalled 258,363 page views in 2020, and there was a 191% increase in followers on the IHO LinkedIn page; on Twitter 22,2K record views in June 2021 (vs 17,200 total views in April 2020); The video on WHD had over 16,000 views on the YouTube channel



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- The INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC REVIEW (IHR) is a benchmark for the worldwide hydrographers
- Capt (ret) Brian Cannon (USA) is the IHR Editor with effect from January 2020
- The newest IHR issue (May 2021) was recently uploaded and the new website www.ihr.iho.int is operational.
- → EAtHC Members are invited to submit papers for publication in the IHR and through your representative to the IHR Board. Cdre Sunday ATAKPA (Nigeria) is representing EAtHC on the IHR Editorial Board



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IHO CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS (IHO-100)

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- IHO Prestige Book
- Commemorative Stamp
- CL 01/2021 - CL 16/2021 on WHD
- 21 June 2021 – Hybrid Celebrations
- Peak-of-the-Peak Day programme:
 - - Event on the IHO terrace (speeches on the IHO Centenary)
- Italian Navy Tall-Ship Amerigo Vespucci
- Surveys and AUVs exhibition in Monaco's waters

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QuDX9cAzQMI&t=13s>





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CONCLUSION

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- Note this report.
- DRC to consider signing EAtHC Statutes
- EAtHC is invited to adapt their respective instruments to comply with the recommendations of the IHO Resolution 2/1997
- Review entries related to IHO C-55 and P-5 (Yearbook) at least annually.
- Consider submitting papers for publication in the International Hydrographic Review.
- Take any other actions as considered appropriate