



16th Conference of the EAthC

National Report

CABO VERDE

/Associate Member/

Agenda Item 6



EAthC16, Hybrid, Lisbon, 29 September – 1 October 2021



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• Brief description of the organization – **INSTITUTO MARÍTIMO PORTUÁRIO**

The **Instituto Marítimo Portuário - IMP** is a public legal person, endowed with public corporate personality and with administrative, financial and patrimonial autonomy.

IMP is subject to the superintendence of the Government member responsible for the Maritime and Ports sector, in this case the Ministry of the Sea, being the entity in charge for applying and executing the Government's policy for the Maritime and Ports sector.

It is governed by the rules contained in Law No. 92/VIII/2015, of 13 July, which establishes the general legal regime of Public Institutes, and Decree-Law No. 38/2018, of June 20, altered by Decree-Law No. 37/2021, of April 20, amended and republished through Rectification No. 122/2021, of July 19.

The IMP, as Maritime Administration is the national institution with attributions in matters of hydrography and nautical cartography, in addition to others, namely:

- Analyze and propose to the Government the approval and application of recommendations, standards and other provisions issued by international entities in the field of hydrography and cartography;
- Promote the necessary hydrographic surveys and the preparation and updating of ocean cartography, in collaboration with other competent entities.



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• Relationship with IHO

Cabo Verde is not a member of IHO (intend to join), but is an associate member of the EAtHC. Cabo Verde is a member of MOWCA (Maritime Organization of West and Central Africa) and of PMAWCA (Ports Management Association of West and Central Africa).

In 2016, Cabo Verde (IMP) liaised with the IHO Secretariat (Capt. Alberto Costa Neves), requesting support in the frame of forthcoming IMSAS (IMO Member State Audit Scheme) visit. The IHO Secretariat informed the EAtHC regional CB coordinator concerning that request and was agreed to submit an extraordinary submission to the CBSC for an IHO Technical Visit to be scheduled prior to Cabo Verde's IMO Audit to take place in May 2017. The IHO Technical Visit carried out from 27th to 31th March 2017.

The technical visit made it possible to collect relevant information as well as to agree on recommendations (paragraphs 28 and 29 of the IHO technical visit to Cabo Verde Report).



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- National Hydrographic services responsibilities

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- Relationship with other relevant national organizations
 - ✓ The Instituto Marítimo Portuário has a large number of attributions normally and traditionally reserved to **Maritime Administrations**, included those in establishing and maintenance a networks of infrastructure and equipment for signaling, communication and aids to navigation and geopositioning, monitoring of traffic in the national maritime space, to carry out and provide lighthouse and maritime signaling service, as well those related to hydrography and nautical cartography services, namely to analyse and to propose to the Government the approval and application of recommendations, standards and other provisions issued by international entities in the field of hydrography and cartography, as well to promote the necessary hydrographic surveys and the preparation and updating of ocean cartography, in collaboration with other competent entities..
 - ✓ ENAPOR, SA – Port Administration
 - ✓ GUARDA COSTEIRA – Coast Guard (SAR provider services)
 - ✓ POLÍCIA MARÍTIMA – Maritime Police
 - ✓ AUTORIDADE METEOROLÓGICA – Meteorological Authority



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TOP ACHIEVEMENT SINCE EATHC15 (3 MAXIMUM)



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- In November 2020 a new general chart of the archipelago of Cabo Verde was published by the Hydrographic Institute of Portugal - IHPT, No. 62102 INT 1960, 1st edition, November 2020. Scale 1:500 000 (16º 05' N) – WGS 84;
- In January 2021, the NRP Portuguese hydrographic vessel “Almirante Gago Coutinho” in mission in the archipelago, had the opportunity to carry out several topo-hydrographic survey services at various points of the Cabo Verde, in order to updating some chart belonging to the national cartographic folio.
- The same vessel and in same month also participated in the “UNTleD – Unlocking the mega Tsunami Deadlock” project (cancelled in 2020), related to the study of the generation of tidal waves and which collected scientific data on opportunity current measurement, with the aim to contributing to other projects (project “MELOA – drifter WAVY Ocean” and “NOAA's Global Drifter Program”), reads the release.

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TOP ISSUES OR SHORTFALLS (3 MAXIMUM)



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- Exiguous hydrographic service in the country;
- Budgetary unavailability for the creation and maintenance of a minimum hydrographic service in the country;
- Weak regional cooperation intercountry in terms of hydrography and cartography issues;



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TOP PLANS THAT AFFECT THE REGION (3 MAXIMUM) (CHARTS, SURVEYS, TRAINING, OTHER)



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- None.



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TOP CHALLENGES FOR THE NEXT 2-3 YEARS (3 MAXIMUM)



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- Materialization of the dream of creating and maintaining a minimum hydrography service in the country;
- Development of a national hydrography service that is able to contribute to the permanent updating of nautical charts and ensure the increase the safety of maritime navigation in jurisdictional waters and in the region;
- Establish hydrographic cooperation agreements with other countries in the region;
- Become a more active EAtHC member and become an IHO member.



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RECOMMENDATIONS



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ACTIONS REQUESTED FROM EATHC16



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3. Adoption of the gender equality in the EAtHC Statutes – Change Chairman and Vice-Chairman to Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.