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National Report / *Rapport National*

Ghana

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FRAMEWORK / GENERAL INFORMATION

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National Hydrographic Office of Ghana is an interagency office made up of stakeholders in the hydrographic and oceanographic sectors.

It is situated at the Ghana Maritime Authority which is the IHO representative organization.

National Hydrographic services responsibilities:

- * Formulate hydrographic standards;
- * Coordinate hydrographic activities



Cartography / Hydrography / Maritime Safety Information responsibilities

- * Provide marine data for production and update of nautical charts
- * Oversee the conduct of hydrographic surveys
- * Disseminate Maritime Safety Information

Cooperation / protocols establish with other countries within Safety of Navigation

- * Existing Strategic Cooperation with Development partners



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TOP ACHIEVEMENT SINCE EATHC16 (3 MAXIMUM)

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- * Purchase of vessels
- * Coastal fishing port developments generating hydrographic data along the coast at Elmina, Axim, Dixcove, Moree, Mfantseman, Ekumfi, Mumford, Winneba, Senya, Fete, Osu and Teshie.
- * Formulation of National Hydrographic Strategic Framework



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TOP ISSUES OR SHORTFALLS (3 MAXIMUM)

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- * Lack of qualified manpower
- * Lack of appreciation of the value of hydrography and the needed support
- * Resource constraints



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

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- * Hydrographic training at the RMU and other technical universities in Ghana.
- * Other upcoming training programmes including IALA model courses at the RMU



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

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- * Implementation of the strategic framework
- * Capacity Building and recruitment of requisite staff
- * Build surveying capacity and explore alternative methods



- * Technical cooperation with Hydrographic Offices
- * Training in hydrography and cartography/ENCs
- * Need for stronger collaboration with IHO for development of hydrography, including joining IHO working groups



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ACTIONS REQUESTED FROM EATHC17

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- * To kindly take note of the national report of Ghana
- * Consider the recommendations
- * Proffer the necessary advice and support



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- Thank you!