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## National Report

### CABO VERDE

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## Agenda Item 06.1H





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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 July 13, 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.



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## • Relationship with IHO

By IHO CL39/2023 dated 24 November 2023 - New IHO Member State – Republic of CABO VERDE, the IMP was officially communicated that Cabo Verde become the 99th Member State of the International Hydrographic Organization.

The same circular IHO CL39/2023 refer “The IHO Secretariat has been informed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Government of Monaco that the Government of the Republic of Cabo Verde deposited its Instrument of Accession to the Convention on the International Hydrographic Organization on 16 November 2023”.



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## • National Hydrographic services responsibilities

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

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



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## • Cartography / Hydrography / Maritime Safety Information responsibilities

Decree-law nº 34/98, 31st of August – Approves the regulation of the Captaincies of Cabo Verde:

Art. 3 (Attributions of maritime departments) - comply with and enforce the legal provisions relating to:

- c) The safety and discipline of maritime navigation;
- d) Lighting and signaling for safety to navigation;



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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 the above mentioned related with hydrography and cartography, as well to promote the necessary hydrographic surveys and the preparation and updating of ocean and port cartography, in collaboration with other competent entities, such as:

- ✓ ENAPOR, SA. – Port Administration
- ✓ GUARDA COSTEIRA – Coast Guard (SAR provider services)
- ✓ POLÍCIA MARÍTIMA – Maritime Police
- ✓ AUTORIDADE METEOROLÓGICA – Meteorological Authority
- ✓ CV TELECOM – As Operator of GMDSS System (Coastal Station)
- ✓ IMar – Institute of the Sea – Marine investigation/research



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### • Cooperation / protocols establish with other countries within Safety of Navigation

- Decree No. 49/91, 4<sup>th</sup> May, approves the cooperation agreement between the Government of the Republic of Cabo Verde and the **Government of the Portuguese Republic** in the fields of Maritime Development, Hydrography, Cartography, Navigation Safety and Oceanography. B.O. nº 18, of the 4th of May.
- Decision with force of Law No. 21/79, Ratifies the Merchant Marine Agreement signed between the Republic of Cape Verde and the **Republic of Senegal**.
- Decision with force of Law no. 1/80, Receives in the internal legal system of the Republic of Cape Verde the agreement on Transport and Maritime Navigation, signed with the **People's Democratic Republic of Algeria**.



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- **Cooperation / protocols establish with other countries within Safety of Navigation (*cont.*)**
- Decree 12/2022, 30<sup>th</sup> May, Approves the Merchant Marine Agreement between the Government of Cabo Verde and the Government of Morocco. In B.O. nº 52, I series of May 30





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## • Member State

- Cabo Verde is part of twenty IMO main instruments;
- SOLAS Convention ratified (25 May 1980 entry into force or succession);
- IMO member (IMO Convention 48) since 1976;
- IALA (Associate member) since 1 January 2022 – Soon as National Member;
- IHO Member State - since 16 November 2023;
- IMSAS (IMO Member State Audit Scheme) Audit carried out on May 2017 (SOLAS/MARPOL/STCW/LL/Tonnage/ColReg).



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## TOP ACHIEVEMENT SINCE EATHC17 (3 MAXIMUM)



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- Became IHO Member State, since 16 November 2023
- From September 2022 to August 2023, an IMP technician attended positively in the School of Hydrography and Oceanography (IHPT)/Portugal, a **technical course specializing in hydrography - category B**, in order to start the creation and implementation of a national hydrographic cell (partnership ENAPOR, IMP and the Coast Guard). It should be noted that the national Coast
- The publication in April by IHPT the nautical chart **INT1963-PT63203** (Covering Brava, Fogo, Santiago and Maio Islands)



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## TOP ISSUES OR SHORTFALLS (3 MAXIMUM)



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- Unsatisfactory national hydrographic collection data;
- Lack of budget for national hydrographic services;
- Minor 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, CAPACITY BUILDING, OTHER)



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- Within the scope of cooperation with the Government of Germany, the Instituto do Mar - IMar, Geomar, Universidade Técnica do Atlântico – UTA, Coast Guard and IMP, a virtual and in person (on site) training session was given on Multibeam Operation for Bathymetric Mapping, for nautical, scientific and industrial applications, in order to permit the use of the equipment (SeaBeam 1050 / 1055 Medium Water Multibeam Systems), that was installed on board of the NP Guardiã, from Coast Guard, thus preparing the ship to carry out hydrographic survey and services using this modern equipment. In principle, the equipment will remain in the country for a minimum period of 2 years, with the possibility of further additions.



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



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- Creation and implementation of the minimum 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, as well to comply with the obligations and commitments assumed when ratifying some international instruments, not only for maritime safety purposes but also to allow the sustainable development of existing resources in the jurisdictional waters;
- Establishment of the hydrographic cooperation agreements with other countries in the region;
- Carry out a Gap Analysis of the hydrographic activities in the country.



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# **RECOMMENDATIONS**



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1. More technical support on capacity building (CB) to Associate Members.
- 2.



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# **ACTIONS REQUESTED FROM EATHC17**



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1. Effort for better sharing and dissemination among EAtHC members, the IHO strategic plan – more.
2. Greater commitment by the side of the members of the commission regarding the IHO strategic plan.



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***THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!  
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