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To: Members, Associate Members and Observers of the IHO EAtHC

Subject: Actions and activities in the Commission

Dear EAtHC Colleagues,

1. During the EAtHC16, it was decided to establish an EAtHC Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure (MSDI) Working Group (WG).
2. Following the EAtHC decisions 17 and 18 (EAtHC Draft Final Minutes), attached to this CL are the **Terms of Reference (ToR)** and **Rules of Procedure (RoP)** for the **EAtHC MSDI WG**.
3. You are kindly invited to, not later than **January 31, 2022**:
 - a. **Specify** if you intend to enroll as a member of the EAtHC MSDI WG;
 - b. **Submit** your comments and recommendations to the ToR and RoP;
 - c. **Provide** a POC (name and e-mail) representative to the WG.
4. It's our intention to schedule the first **VTC meeting** of the WG on **February 17, 2022**, with the following draft agenda:
 - a. Opening remarks;
 - b. ToR and RoP approval;
 - c. Suggested activities, with a **special remark regarding the SPI approach**;
 - d. Actions list definition;
 - e. Other subjects.
5. If you have any specific questions related to this matter, please address them directly to Lieutenant Commander Telmo Dias (geraldes.dias@hidrografico.pt).
6. I look forward to improve collaboration and performance on issues related to MSDI in the EAtHC.

Yours sincerely,

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