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Discussion paper

Data policy for HO's

(what to do with Crowd Sourced Bathymetry)

At the Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission Conference in Svalbard last September, the USA presented their data policy. In their charts, they use the best available data. The ARHC member states agreed to discuss this topic in our own organizations and present national data policies (for hydrographic offices) at our next ARHC Conference.

Seabed 2030 is the global project aimed at both making existing but inaccessible bathymetric data discoverable and accessible and at increasing bathymetric data collection. At the IHO Crowd Sourced Bathymetry WG, we support Seabed 2030 through the IHO Publication B-12 Guidance document on Crowd Sourced Bathymetry and by finding out what could be the best incentives for others (non-Hos) to contribute.

Do you have a data policy at present? How does it address CSB data?

Can we on the one hand ask others to contribute, while at the same time not allow use of CSB data in our charts?

What are the concerns on a strategic, legal and technical level?

How can we address these concerns?