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# IRCC14 ACTION

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Reference	Action	RHC Lead
IRCC14/A1	IRCC invites RHCs and Subordinate bodies to provide comments and inputs on the governance document on Dual-Fuel Concept for S-100 ECDIS, intersessionally. (Permanent)	This was endorsed at assembly 3 overtaken by events



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# **15<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE IHO INTER-REGIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE**



12-14 June, Tokyo, Japan



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# 15TH MEETING OF THE INTER REGIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE 12-14 JUNE TOKYO, JAPAN

15<sup>th</sup> meeting held in Tokyo, Japan 12-14, June 2023. Hosted by JHOD, the Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department of the Japanese Coast Guard.

47 registered participants from 19 Member States

SAIHC Representation

- UK
- France
- Norway

Chair – Mr Thomas Dehling (Germany)

Outgoing Vice Chair – Dr John Nyberg (USA)

Elected Vice Chair – Ms Jennifer Jenks (USA)

SAIHC Report for IRCC15 sent via email for comment 28 April 2023

- IRCC16 -10-12 June 2024 in Galapagos (Ecuador).
- IRCC17 - Nigeria (May/June 2025),
- IRCC18 Peru (May/June 2026)



- HSSC presented on the progress and also challenges of the S-100 Implementation Roadmap and S-100 product specifications. IRCC recommended RHCs to start producing S-101 and other S-100 products by focusing on a specific part of the region.
- The IHO eLearning Centre Guidelines were approved. CL24/2023 called for the establishment of the Centres Steering Committee.
- Empowering Women in Hydrography Project – to evolve into a programme proposal to C-7
- Subordinate bodies of IRCC are asked to review respective RoP and ToR on gender – inclusive language. RHCS encouraged to also complete this.





- IRCC commended KHOA for leading the INTToGIS III development which will assist in the sharing of S-100 product coverage in the future. Submission of S-128 datasets is encouraged.
- Discussion of Pro 3.5 to A-3 “[Establishment of a task force to explore the potential merits, structures, and options for alternate fund generation to support capacity building and other IHO initiatives](#) - Establishment of a scoping Team under the leadership of Dr John Nyberg to investigate potential sources of funding.
- Paper from Germany on “Effects of amended paper chart production practice” was presented to IRCC (and HSSC)



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# IRCC HIGHLIGHTS

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- The first run of the WEND IGIF products and services matrix has been completed.
- IRCC approved the MSDIWG ToR v2.0 and endorsed C-17 Ed 3.0.0
- IHO-EU Network Working Group on relevant EU projects was shared, demonstrating the interoperability of data with IHO Standards and opportunities which may assist in extending CB funds
- Demonstration by WWNWS on the C-55 GIS project which will allow easier assessment of data and support SPI reporting and reduce the burden on Member States. Aim to incorporate this into INT0GIS III



- IBSC reported that in 2022 13 submissions for accreditation were recognised (after review), 11 submissions were received in 2023, 1 has been recognised, 3 were not recognised and 8 offered intersessional reviews.
- Internship with IBSC under the EWH Project was very successful
- It was noted that there is a need to update Standards of competence S-5 and S-8.
- The new version of the CSBWG ToR was approved
- IRCC decided to hold 2 online workshops following the success of ones held previously, these will focus on IBSC Submissions and the benefits and extension of contributions to CSB





RHC reports focussed on key regional achievements, key findings and lesson learned.

Main concerns raised related to:

- the challenges of the S-100 implementation Roadmap
- the need for collaboration and coordination needed in S-100 implementation
- the need for Capacity Building activities at regional levels to encourage regional participation
- Data collection in remote locations.

Key achievements related to:

- Inter-regional cooperation
- Successful partnerships with Industry and International Stakeholders



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# DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS LIST IRCC15

Reference	Action	RHC STATUS
IRCC15/R1	RHCs are encouraged to review the ROP and TOR based on <b>Decision 9b of the Assembly on gender-inclusive language.</b>	SAIHC WG
IRCC15/R2	RHCs to start producing S-101 and other S-100 Products by focusing on a specific part of the region.	ICCWG
IRCC15/R2 (mis- numbered in report)	RHC to discuss how HO's can assume a geo-coordinating role to help ensure provision of data on a regional level	MSDI
IRCC15/R3	RHC to ask the MS and potential contributors to consider the extended activities in the implementation of the S-100 Roadmap for HCA region	ICCWG
IRCC15/R4	RHCs and Subordinate Bodies to consider to open the debate on future engagement in climate change related activities in reference to strategic goal 3.	SAIHC Chair
IRCC15/R5	RHC to encourage relevant Member States to report to the IMO Secretariat and the Chair of the EGC Coordinating Panel on the progress and status of implementation of newly recognized mobile satellite services by MSI providers.	MS / NAVAREA Coordinator

Reference	Action	RHC STATUS
IRCC15/R6	<b>RHCs to ensure representation of their region in the CBSC and encourage other IHO Member States to join in the work of the CBSC.</b>	<b>All MS</b>
IRCC15/R7	RHCs to prioritize their participation in the WENDWG through the RHC Chart Coordinator or S-100 Coordinator	ICCWG
IRCC15/R8	RHCs, if not done already, establish the S-100 Coordinator role or assign S-100 Coordinator duties as appropriate.	ICCWG
IRCC15/R9	RHC S-100 Coordinators to update their WEND-100 IGIF Matrix submissions every year and share their schedule and roadmap to meeting the 2026 IMO target (S-100 ECDIS) at every WENDWG meeting.	ICCWG
IRCC15/R10	RHC Chart Coordinators/S-100 Coordinators report their planned S-101 chart schemes, usage bands 1 – 4, by 30 September. Request that submissions use INTOGIS III when commissioned.	ICCWG
IRCC15/R11	RHCs to appoint MSDI ambassadors and inform the MSDIWG with contact details	MSDIWG
IRCC15/R12	RHC to encourage Member States to have more CSBWG participation.	CSB

Reference	Action	RHC STATUS
IRCC15/R13	RHC to encourage Member States to support the CSB initiative with positive actions, such as requiring all research vessels to collect bathymetric data for late uploading, when on passage or when it does not interfere with other research activities.	CSB / Member States
IRCC15/R14	RHCs to encourage Member State and stakeholder bathymetric data contributions to the DCDB, regardless of origin.	CSB / Member States
IRCC15/R15	RHCs to collaborate with the DCDB on developing and highlighting annual regional breakdowns of data holdings as part of SPI reporting.	
IRCC15/R16	To encourage RHCs to actively contribute with new data to GEBCO.	CSB / Member States
IRCC15/R17	To invite RHCs to assign the INT paper chart scheme appropriateness check and possible amendment of the scheme	ICCWG
IRCC15/R18	To encourage RHCs to invite Member States to consider the provision of paper chart updating procedures depending on the findings of NCWG.	ICCWG

Reference	Action	RHC STATUS
IRCC15/R19	To encourage RHCs to invite Member States to consider the requirements (including regulations) for non-ECDIS mandated vessels (e.g. small commercial, fishing, leisure, etc) within national, regional and global discussions on this topic (HSSC15 decision 7 regarding Electronic Chart Systems PT refers)	Member States

# ACTIONS REQUESTED FROM SAIHC19

1. Note this report.
2. Take any other decisions and actions considered necessary.