

SWPHC21-7.3

Outcomes of IHO Council (C7)

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SWPHC21 Meeting 28/02/2024



IHO C7 – Monaco, IHO Sec 17-19 October 2023



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3.1 National S-100 Committees

- Member States to share their national strategies with regard to the establishment of national S-100 committees.

4.1 Report and proposals from HSSC

- establishment of the [ECS PT under the ENCWG](#)
- S-100 Operational Implementation Countdown to meet the IMO timelines for S-100 ECDIS - [IHO CL43/23](#)
- endorsed the proposal from HSSC and IRCC for an annual Champion of Hydrography Award – [IHO CL06/24](#)



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4.2 Report and proposals from IRCC

- Establishment of IHO Fund Generation PT [IHO CL42/23](#)
- A new programme on Gender Balance in Hydrography (EWH)
 - continued activity through a proposal for an IHO Resolution
 - continue with the EWH project led by the CBSC
 - develop a proposal on the future framework for an IHO social Programme (inc. Gender Balance) to submit to IHO A4 2026
- IBSC and CSBWG, two workshops
 - Preparation of submissions to IBSC
 - the benefit of CSB & how to expand data contribution



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4.4 Proposed version 3.0 of the Roadmap for the S-100 Implementation Decade

- New version approved - [Roadmap for the S-100 Implementation Decade \(2020-2030\)](#) Ver. 3 Oct 2023

6.2 Preparation of a Revised Strategic Plan for A4

- current structure of the Strategic Plan (SP) 2021-2026 still relevant at conceptual level (vision, goals, etc.), agreed that the objective for the next SP 2027-2032 should be limited to a revision of the current SP
- HSSC and IRCC to provide their inputs on the existing SP by C8
- correspondence group to prepare DRAFT scope & ToR for the next IHO Strategic Plan 2027-2032 by C8



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7.1 Increased Participation on IHO Bodies Activities

- [SWPHC20 Feb 2023 - Action 21, Agenda item 7](#) - Make a representation on behalf of the SWPHC to the IHO SG requesting and requiring provision for mechanisms to ensure greater inclusion and participation of SWPHC Member States at IHO meetings, in particular the IHO Assembly
- **IHO ASSEMBLY A3 May 2023**..... a challenge for Member States from the region is greater inclusion, representation and participation at IHO meetings, in particular the IHO Assembly (Ref: [SWPHC Report A3 2023 G 06.14, page 4](#))
- [DECISIONS OF THE 3rd SESSION OF THE IHO ASSEMBLY, Decision 21](#) - The Assembly tasked the Council to discuss the request from the SWPHC for the provision of mechanisms to ensure greater inclusion and participation of all Member States at IHO meetings, in particular the IHO Assembly and come up with solutions as soon as possible.
- [IHO Council, Agenda item C7-07.1A&B](#) - Increased participation on IHO bodies activities, papers and proposal from Sec Gen & AU/NZ/UK



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C7 – Report of the Ad Hoc Drafting Group 1of2

- Prepare an IHO Resolution on [Guidelines for Making IHO Events More Inclusive](#) (final title TBC) based on the recommendations made by the Secretary-General and preliminary analysis from AU, NZ & UK
 - Drafting group to include AU, CL, FJ, SG, SE?, NZ(Lead), UK, US
 - Objective to maximise participation at IHO meetings
 - Encourage PT, WG, Committees, Council & Assembly where possible to consider technology* to increase participation, diversity and inclusion to ensure the widest possible contributions in delivery of the IHO strategy and workplan
- *Technology allows us to engage a much broader group by extending to additional participants through remote connections



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C7 – Report of the Ad Hoc Drafting Group 2of2

- Survey on MS, WG Chairs, & IHO Secretariat capacity, willingness & preference to host meetings (PT/WG, Committees, Council & Assembly) based on the following requirements - cost, technology, bandwidth & expertise
 - Full remote VTC
 - Hybrid – in person & VTC
 - In person only + passive live stream
 - In person only
- Timeline
 - Draft proposed IHO Resolution by end January 2024 to Council/IHO Sec
 - Ad hoc team to launch survey (& draft proposal?) end January 2024, to seek info on MS & IHO Sec capacity & willingness to host
 - Final IHO Resolution by end March 2024 submitted by CL to MS for approval



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DRAFT PROPOSAL: Maximising Active Participation in IHO Events

Recalling the decision A3/21 made at the 3rd Assembly and the decision C7/39 made at the 7th Council, the IHO recognises that technology enables multiple formats through which IHO events may be conducted.

Noting the need to engage all IHO Member States and interested Coastal States, it is **resolved** that the IHO will seek to achieve the maximum possible active participation at IHO events by leveraging technology, where appropriate.

Recognising that IHO events are typically hosted by IHO Member States, and that the capacity of host nations may differ, it is **recommended** that the bodies of the IHO use the most appropriate format for their events to maximise active participation, while taking into consideration the capacity of host nations and the preferences of expected participants.

It is further **recommended** that the IHO Secretariat conduct regular reviews of IHO Member State hosting capacity and participants preferences to provide evidence to support bodies of the IHO in these decisions.



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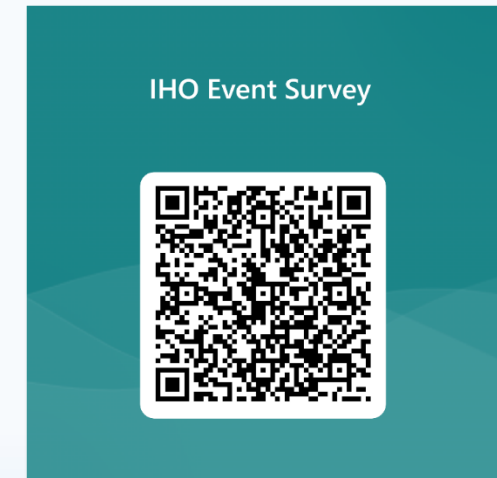


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IHO Event Survey

This survey seeks to gather information on the capacity of organisations to host IHO events in multiple formats and their preferences on attending events in multiple formats. It supports the development of a new IHO resolution on maximising active participation at IHO Events.

- Section 1 Your Details
- Section 2 Your Capacity to Host IHO Events
- Section 3 Your Preference to Attend Events
- Section 4 Additional Comments



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8.1 Dates and venue for the 8th Meeting of the IHO Council

- agreed to hold C-8 in Monaco, at the IHO Secretariat, from 15 to 17 Oct. 2024 (full in-person meeting, **live streaming on request**)

9.1 Information Paper (US): Navigation regulatory considerations for Hydrographic Organizations

- paper provided by the US on national regulations as well as the useful experience shared by other Member States. The Council encourages MS to participate in the activities of the [ENCWG / ECS PT](#)



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SWPHC21 is invited to:

- **note** the report
- **note** the IHO Event Survey to gather information on the capacity and preferences of organisations to host and attend IHO events in multiple formats to support the new resolution
- **note** the DRAFT Resolution on Maximising Active Participation in IHO Events
- **Review & respond** to IHO CLs & the IHO Event Survey
- **take** any other action considered appropriate.



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