

Seventh Meeting of the IHO Hydrographic Surveys Working Group (HSWG 7)

In person event – European Space Agency Centre for Earth Observation (ESRIN)

Largo Galileo Galilei, 1, 00044 Frascati, Rome, Italy

30th September to 4th October 2024 (all times CEST)

Day 1 - Monday 30th September

0930 to 1300 – Informal meetings of the Bathymetric Coverage and Uncertainty Sub-Groups – Location TBC [Villa Mercede, Via Tuscolana 20 Frascati, not ESA]. Contact your sub-group chairs if they have not already contacted you.

1300 - ESA Shuttle Bus from Frascati Piazza Marconi (Map annex A)

1320 - HSWG Members arrive ESA for security check in.

1400 - Plenary (Room = Magellan)

- 1. Welcome and opening remarks from chair group. (Chair)
- 2. Welcome address from ESA.
- 3. Very short introduction from all participants (in order stated by Chair)
- 4. Procedures of the Meeting. (Chair)
- 5. Approval of agenda. (Chair)
- 6. Review of ToRs and RoPs (Secretary)
- 7. Approval of Minutes of HSWG6 (Secretary)
- 8. Review of actions from HSWG6 (Secretary)
- 9. Key objectives for HSWG7 (Chair)
- 10. HSWG Work Plan (Vice-Chair)
- 11. Liaison with other HSSC Working Groups (including designation of individuals for liaison)

11.1.1. DQWG

- 11.1.1.1. Current situation
- 11.1.1.2. CATZOC / S-1xx Quality / S44 mapping update, post HSSC
- 11.1.1.3. Common use of uncertainty formula
- 11.1.1.4. Further opportunities for collaboration

11.1.2. HDWG

- 11.1.2.1. Current situation
- 11.1.2.2. Terminology



- 11.1.2.3. Further opportunities for collaboration
- 11.1.3. TWCWG (Chair)
 - 11.1.3.1. Current situation DP to update on discussions.
 - 11.1.3.2. Further opportunities for collaboration
- 11.1.4. S-100WG (Hans Oias)
 - 11.1.4.1. Current situation
 - 11.1.4.2. Further opportunities for collaboration
- 11.1.5. GEBCO TSCOM (Sam Harper)
 - 11.1.5.1. Current situation
 - 11.1.5.2. Further opportunities for collaboration
- 11.1.6. Crowdsource Bathymetry Working Group (Sam Harper)
 - 11.1.6.1. Current situation
 - 11.1.6.2. Further opportunities for collaboration

1530 - 1545 Break (Room = Cook)

- 12. MHPT Part 1 (MHPT Chair)
 - 12.1. General update from MHPT
 - 12.2. Terms of Reference
 - 12.3. Workplan
 - 12.4. Review of Current Edition (if time available)
 - 12.5. Structure of next edition of C-13
 - 12.6. Outline for MHPT Breakout sessions
- 13. SDBPT Part 1 (SDBPT Chair)
 - 13.1. General update from SDBPT
 - 13.2. Terms of Reference
 - 13.3. Workplan
 - 13.4. General initial input from HSWG
 - 13.5. Outline for SDBPT Breakout sessions
- 14. Exchange experiences of new technology, approaches, and best practice.
 - 14.1. Christian Comtois [Canada]: "Exploring New Frontiers: The Role of Crowd-Sourced and Satellite-Derived Bathymetry in Community Hydrography"

(Member States and Expert Contributors to suggest introductory presentations to promote discussion to Chair in advance)

1730 Close of Day 1 Business

- 1730 HSWG7 Icebreaker @ ESRIN (Drink and canapés)
- 1900 ESA Shuttle bus from ESRIN to Piazza Marconi



Day 2 – Tuesday 1st October

0820 – ESA Shuttle Bus from Frascati Piazza Marconi to ESRIN

0900 - Plenary - S-44 Continuous Improvement (Room = Magellan)

- 15. S-44 Continuous Improvement (Vice-Chair)
 - 15.1. Current status of S-44 and Maintenance Process
 - 15.2. S44 Feedback Tracking
 - 15.3. Detailed discussion on Thematic sub-groups
 - 15.3.1. Backscatter (HSWG Chair and Vice Chair)
 - 15.3.2. Bathymetric Coverage (Jani) [Up to 2 hours]
 - 15.3.3. Uncertainty (Hans / Jean Guy) [Up to 2 hours]
 - 15.3.4. Other items for consideration within the standard
 - 15.4. Additional feedback on S44 from operational experience
 - 15.5. Promotion of S-44 and Links to IHO Strategic Objective 2.2
 - 15.6. Education on S-44
 - 15.7. Support for further translation of S-44 for onward IHO publication

Breaks: 1030 to 1045, Lunch 1320 to 1420 ESA Canteen (Room = Cook - No afternoon break due to 1630 Finish)

1630 – ESA Phi Experience Guided Tour and ESRIN Visitor Center Tour (up to 25 persons per group x 30 minutes each – swap at 1700)

1730 Day Ends - Free Evening

1730 - ESA Shuttle bus from ESRIN to Piazza Marconi



Day 3 – Wednesday 2nd October

0820 - ESA Shuttle Bus from Frascati Piazza Marconi to ESRIN

0900 - Project Team Breakout Sessions

16. Breakout Sessions #1 (running in parallel)

- MHPT
- SDBPT

Breaks: 1030 to 1045, 1320 to 1420, 1530 to 1545

1700 Close of Day 3 - Free Evening

1700 - ESA Shuttle bus from ESRIN to Piazza Marconi

Day 4 - Thursday 3rd October

0820 - ESA Shuttle Bus from Frascati Piazza Marconi to ESRIN

0900 - Project Team Breakout Sessions

17. Breakout Sessions #2 (running in parallel)

- MHPT
- SDBPT

Breaks: 1030 to 1045, Lunch 1320 to 1440 ESA Canteen, 1530 to 1545

1700 Close of Business for Day 4

1700 - ESA Shuttle Bus from to ESRIN HSWG7 Dinner at Villa Grazioli

1730 onwards – HSWG7 Delegate Dinner at Villa Grazioli. Arrangements assisted by ESA by not hosted – each delegate will cover own dinner costs. EIVA and EOMAP are kindly covering wine with dinner and pre-dinner drinks respectively.

2130 - ESA Shuttle Bus from Villa Grazioli to Frascati Piazza Marconi



Day 5 - Friday 4th October

0820 - ESA Shuttle Bus from Frascati Piazza Marconi to ESRIN

0900 - Plenary

- 18. S-44 Summary: (HSWG Vice-Chair)
 - 18.1. Present outcomes of S-44 Breakout Session
 - 18.2. Further HSWG Input
 - 18.3. Updated Workplan
 - 18.4. Next Steps
- 19. MHPT Summary: (MHPT Chair)
 - 19.1. Present outcomes of MHPT Breakout Session
 - 19.2. Further HSWG Input
 - 19.3. Updated Workplan
 - 19.4. Intersessional activities
 - 19.5. Next Steps
- 20. SDBPT Summary: (SDBPT Chair)
 - 20.1. Present outcomes of SDBPT Breakout Session
 - 20.2. Further HSWG Input
 - 20.3. Updated Workplan
 - 20.4. Intersessional activities
 - 20.5. Next Steps

1030 - 1045 Break

1045 - Plenary

- 21. HSWG by-elections
 - 21.1. Co-Vice Chair [1 nomination received from Carlos Marques [Portugal]]
 - 21.2. HSWG Secretary [1 nomination received from Lilei Lv [China]]
- 22. Any other business. (Chair)
 - 22.1. Conferences and other events [all delegates welcomed to promote]
- 23. Date, venue and method of next meeting HSWG8 (Chair)



- 24. Review of updated Work Plan (Vice-Chair)
- 25. Intersessional activities. (Vice-Chair)
- 26. Review of Action List and items for agenda for HSWG8. (Secretary)
- 27. Closing remarks. (Chair and Vice-Chairs)
- 1200 Close of Day 6 Business and of HSWG7
- 1200 Lunch 1300 ESA Canteen
- 1300 HSWG7 Ends, delegates depart (no transport provided by ESA)

Annex A: Shuttle Bus Pick Up / Set Down Location Map

Frascati Map (location bus pick up point)

