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**CIRCULAR LETTER 29/2022**  
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**IHO-IOC GEBCO GUIDING COMMITTEE (GGC)  
NEW IHO REPRESENTATIVE**

References:

- A. IHO CL 13/2022 dated 22 March - *GEBCO Guiding Committee (GGC) Membership- Request for Nomination of an Expert to Fill Vacancy*
- B. GGC Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedures

Dear Hydrographer,

1. Reference A informed Member States about the vacancy on the IHO-IOC GEBCO Guiding Committee (GGC) and requested nominations of experts to fill the IHO position. In response the IHO Secretariat received three nominations to fill the vacant IHO position on the GEBCO Guiding Committee. The three nominations were:

- Ms Yerinelys SANTOS BARRERA (Colombia)
- Dr Eunmi CHANG (Republic of Korea)
- Mr Ian DAVIES (United Kingdom)

2. The IHO Secretariat is pleased to see the significant interest in the GEBCO Guiding Committee and expresses its gratitude to the Member States who all nominated suitably-qualified candidates.

3. Following previous practice, the candidates' curricula vitae were reviewed thoroughly by the IHO Secretariat. In accordance with Reference B, relevant consultation has been undertaken with the GGC Chair. Taking into account the criteria for selection and relevant expertise, past and current contribution to ocean mapping activities, current roles and responsibilities in their national institutions and potential impact and input to the GEBCO project and geographical distribution of the current GGC members, the IHO Secretariat (Secretary-General and Directors) agreed on the selection of Ms Yerinelys Santos BARRERA to fill the vacant IHO position on the GGC for the period 2022-2027.

4. Unless an objection is raised by a Member State, the selection of Ms Yerinelys Santos BARRERA will be effective from 30 September 2022.

On behalf of the Secretary-General,  
Yours sincerely,

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Director

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Chair, GEBCO Guiding Committee