

**4th IHO-HSSC Meeting
Taunton, UK, 25-28 September 2012**

HSSC Elections

Elections for the Chair and the Vice-Chair of HSSC will be held at its 4th meeting in Taunton, United Kingdom, 2012.

Basis for Elections:

Section 2.3 of the HSSC Terms of Reference states:

The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be a representative of a Member State. The election of the Chair and Vice-Chair shall be decided at the first meeting after each ordinary session of the Conference (Conference to be replaced by Assembly when the Council and Assembly are established) and shall be determined by vote of the Member States present and voting.

The XVIIIth International Hydrographic Conference was held 23-27 April 2012. Thus, the 4th HSSC meeting will be the 'first meeting after each ordinary session of the Conference'.

Nominations

Names of candidates for the following positions may be submitted in advance via e-mail to the HSSC Secretariat (michel.huet@iho.int) :

- a. HSSC Chair
- b. HSSC Vice-Chair

Information for each nomination must include: 1. Name of Nominee; 2. E-mail address of Nominee; 3. Name of Nominee's Member State.

Incumbents currently serving may be nominated for an additional term of office.

Nominations from the floor may also be made at the 4th HSSC meeting.

Note: the Secretary is appointed, in accordance with Terms of Reference Section 2.2.

Voting Procedure

- Each Member State having a representative present at the 4th HSSC meeting will be allowed to cast one vote for each position.
- Voting for the Chair will be conducted prior to voting for the Vice-Chair.
- Nominations for Vice-Chair will be held open until the election result for Chair is announced.
- Voting for positions for which a person is running unopposed will be conducted by a show of hands.
- Voting for positions for which more than one person is running will be conducted by secret ballot.

Results of Election

- Ballots will be counted and the results announced by IHB Director Gilles Bessero or other person designated by him.
- Those elected will take office at the conclusion of the 4th HSSC meeting.