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27th NSHC/Letter 1
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Dear Members,

27th NSHC Conference 4-6 September 2006 - Call for agenda items

Following the e-mail from Horst Hecht at the end of last year, I can confirm that the 27th NSHC Conference is to be hosted by Germany at BSH in Rostock, Germany from 4 to 6 September 2006. Details regarding the meeting venue and accommodation will be issued in due course.

I am now writing to invite you to propose agenda items for the Conference. The NSHC Standing Agenda is attached at Annex A. You are requested to send any proposals for additional Agenda Items, giving an indication of the title, brief description (if not self-explanatory) and a note as to which agenda heading it should fall under.

Please send your proposals to Mrs Chris Walton, International Relations Manager at UKHO by e-mail, by **22 May 2006**.

Also attached at Annex B is the list of action items from the last Conference, held in Cardiff, UK in September 2004.

We will produce a provisional agenda from your proposals, which we aim to circulate by 30 May. Following this, full explanatory notes will be requested, to be supplied by e-mail by **26 June** to allow distribution to delegates. These will be placed on the IHO Website for ease of access to large files (note that these are being requested early to allow for summer leave by all concerned).

I would be grateful if you could pass the names and e-mail addresses of the delegates planning to attend (or contact for conference information) to Mrs Chris Walton, by e-mail, copied to Horst Hecht (horst.hecht@bsh.de).

Finally, I look forward to seeing you all in Rostock for a productive and enjoyable meeting.

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NSHC Chairman

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STANDING AGENDA

NORTH SEA HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION CONFERENCE

A. OPENING FORMALITIES

A1	Opening Remarks	Chairman
A2	Administrative Arrangements	Host Country
A3	Adoption of Agenda	Chairman
A4	NSHC Conference Conclusions	Chairman
A5	NSHC outstanding/ongoing agenda items	Chairman
A6	Review of Statutes, when considered necessary	Chairman
A7	Activities of the IHO	IHB

B. STRATEGIC ASPECTS OF THE WORK OF HOs - TECHNICAL ISSUES

(e.g. survey systems – GPS, multibeam, laser bathymetry, remote sensing, production systems – nautical publications, charts, ENC etc)

B1	Review of status of Hydrographic Surveying & Nautical Charting in the NSHC area (IHO Special Publication S-55)	IHB
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C. STRATEGIC ASPECTS OF THE WORK OF HOs - ADMINISTRATIVE AND MARKETING ISSUES

(e.g. copyright, liability, new product developments)

D. CO-OPERATIVE NSHC/IHO PROJECTS

(e.g. WEND collaborations between NSHC countries, training/education, INT chart scheme, TACC etc)

D1	Ongoing work of the IHO Capacity Building Committee	IHB
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E. NSHC WORKING GROUPS

(approval of work plans for each Working Group, WG's reports and status)

F. MISCELLANEOUS

F1	SPWG developments and procedure for selection of Members to Council	Chairman
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G. UNSCHEDULED ITEMS

(used to cover items not presented before the conference)

H. CONCLUDING FORMALITIES

H1	Approval of Conference Conclusions and Recommendations	Chairman
H2	Place and date of next Conference	Chairman
H3	Election of new Chairman	Chairman
H4	Closing Remarks	New Chairman

