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**INTERNATIONAL ABLOS CONFERENCE:  
ACCURACIES AND UNCERTAINTIES IN MARITIME  
BOUNDARIES AND OUTER LIMITS**

**IHB, Monaco, 18-19 October 2001**

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Dear Sir,

The International ABLOS Conference on “Accuracies and Uncertainties in Maritime Boundaries and Outer Limits” is being organized by the Advisory Board on Law of the Sea (ABLOS). The Conference will be held at the International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB), Monaco, on 18-19 October 2001.

The Conference, which will be conducted in English only, will consist of four half-day sessions focussed on the legal problems, technical issues and difficulties that affect the determination of maritime boundaries, including the outer limit of the Juridical Continental Shelf. Speakers, who are specialists in international maritime law, geodesy, hydrography and geoscience, will describe errors of measurement, computation, and legal and technical interpretation as well as techniques for their circumvention. The determination of confidence limits for boundaries and limits and the meaningful definition of their accuracies will be discussed.

It is planned to have about 6-8 papers presented during each session. Because of space limitations at the IHB, attendance has to be restricted to a maximum of 80 persons.

A registration fee of US\$100 will be charged to cover the preparation of the CD-ROM containing the proceedings, a reception in the evening of 18 October, and coffee breaks. Each IHO Member State can nominate one delegate who will be exempted from paying the registration fee. Member States interested in participating in this Conference should inform the IHB as soon as possible.

The Registration Form, the Call for Abstracts Form, as well as information on hotels and on transportation between Nice Airport and Monaco can be found under :

<http://www.gmat.unsw.edu.au/ablos/index.html#ABLOS'01>

Please note that delegates must make their own hotel reservations.

On behalf of the Directing Committee,  
Yours sincerely,

Rear Admiral Neil GUY  
Director