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**FIG-IHO-ICA INTERNATIONAL BOARD ON STANDARDS OF COMPETENCE FOR
HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYORS AND NAUTICAL CARTOGRAPHERS (IBSC)**

MEMBERSHIP

Dear Hydrographer,

1 Prof. Ing. Luciano SURACE, a former full Professor of Geodesy at the Italian Navy Hydrographic Institute who has been supported by the Italian HO as an IHO representative to the IBSC since 2003 has informed that due to his change to a new position with the University of Florence, he is not longer directly involved in the National Hydrographic Service and therefore has decided to resign from the IBSC membership as an IHO representative.

2 Firstly, on behalf of the IHO, the Directing Committee would like to thank Prof. Ing. SURACE for his outstanding contribution to the work of the IBSC during all the time he served as IHO representative. Also, the IHB would like to thank the Italian Navy Hydrographic Institute for having supported Prof. Ing. SURACE since 2003.

3 In accordance with the procedures in force, the IHB Directing Committee now requests Member States to consider nominating one of its experts to represent the IHO at the IBSC. All nominations must include the candidate's detailed Curriculum Vitae and reach the IHB **by 15 October 2011**. As soon as the final selection is made, Member States will be informed immediately of the decision. The selected candidate would be expected to attend the next IBSC meeting scheduled to take place during the period 21 to 31 May 2012 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, exact days to be announced.

4 It is expected as well that the selected IHO representative will be supported by his/her own organization for travel expenses and work. The Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure of the IBSC can be found in the IBSC section of the IHO web site for further consultation.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,



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Director