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IHO - NIPPON FOUNDATION CHART PROJECT
Successful Candidates for the 6th Course

Reference: IHO CL 12/2014 dated 05 February- *IHO - NIPPON FOUNDATION CHART PROJECT*
Call for Applications for 6th Course in Hydrographic Data Processing and Marine Cartography

Dear Hydrographer,

1. In the above-referenced Circular Letter, the IHB Directing Committee invited IHO Member States to consider nominating one suitable candidate who would benefit from the opportunity offered by the IHO - Nippon Foundation CHART (Cartography, Hydrography and Related Training) Project – funded by the Nippon Foundation (NF) – to provide training in Marine Cartography and Data Assessment. The course is recognized at the Category B level by the FIG-IHO-ICA International Board on Standards of Competence for Hydrographic Surveyors and Nautical Cartographers. The Chairs of Regional Hydrographic Commissions were invited to liaise with their Associate Members and Observer countries so that they could also consider applying for this training opportunity.
2. The IHB received 20 applications from 19 countries for this particular course. The selection Panel comprising representatives from the Japan Hydrographic and Oceanographic Department (JHOD), the UK Hydrographic Office (UKHO) and the IHB met on 23 and 24 April and examined all the applications received.
3. The candidates from **Greece (Mr. Nektarios RODITIS), Peru (Mr. Rommel Steve CARRILLO ESPINOZA), Spain (Ms. Rebeca COPÉ DE LOS MOZOS), Sri Lanka (Ms. Roshini Nilupa Kumari YAPA MUDIYANSELAGE), Suriname (Ms. Li San Nancy YANG), Uruguay (Ms. Laura PAOLINO DE SOUZA) and Vietnam (Mr. Quoc Khanh DAO)** were selected for the course that will be run at the UKHO from 1 September to 12 December 2014. Individual notification letters are being sent by the IHB with the instructions to be followed by the selected applicants. **Selected applicants cannot be changed by their national authorities.**
4. There remains a strong demand for the training covered by the course and, for that reason, it will be run again in 2015, thanks to the continuing and generous support of the Nippon Foundation.
5. The Directing Committee advises those organizations, whose applicants have not been selected this time, to keep abreast of the future opportunities. The Directing Committee is continuing to seek additional resources to enable similar courses to be delivered through new funding.
6. The Directing Committee congratulates those candidates that have been selected and thanks the IHO Member States and non-Member States for their interest. The Directing Committee would also like to re-emphasize the need to consider a regional approach in identifying innovative ways to meet the on-going and urgent demand for training that exists within the hydrographic community.

7. Finally, the Directing Committee would like to thank the JHOD, UKHO, and particularly the Nippon Foundation, for the successful results obtained so far. To date, the Japan Capacity Building Project, the forerunner of the IHO-NF CHART project, has trained 30 students, almost all of whom are now working in chart production, thereby contributing to achieving the IHO's role and objectives. We expect that the selected applicants for this next course will follow the same path.

On behalf of the Directing Committee
Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mustafa IPTES". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

Mustafa IPTES
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