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RAPPEL

REVUE HYDROGRAPHIQUE INTERNATIONALE QUESTIONNAIRE

Référence : LC 22/2007 du 16 février.

Madame la Directrice, Monsieur le Directeur,

1 Dans la lettre circulaire ci-dessus référencée, le BHI informait les Etats membres des travaux en cours en collaboration avec l'Editeur de la Revue hydrographique internationale (RHI) pour améliorer cette publication de l'OHI.

2 Un questionnaire visant à rechercher les opinions sur ce point a été adressé avec l'édition d'avril 2007 de la RHI.

3 Le BHI souhaite rappeler aux Etats membres que leur réponse à ce questionnaire est vivement souhaitée et attendue. Comme indiqué dans la lettre circulaire précédente, les résultats seront analysés à la fois par le BHI et l'Editeur dans le but d'examiner les initiatives/améliorations identifiées par les lecteurs avec pour objectif de trouver les moyens de les mettre en œuvre.

Veillez agréer, Madame la Directrice, Monsieur le Directeur, l'assurance de ma haute considération,

Pour le Comité de direction,

Capitaine de vaisseau Hugo GORZIGLIA
Directeur

PJ: Questionnaire



International Hydrographic Review Reader Survey Questionnaire

The International Hydrographic Review (IHR) seeks your help to preserve and improve its. Your help by filling in and returning this questionnaire is much appreciated!

A little bit of background. The International Hydrographic Review (IHR) began in 1923 and was published by the International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB) from 1923–1999. During that period it was considered a useful reference publication on the latest developments in hydrography, oceanography, marine cartography, geodesy, navigation, photogrammetry, radio aids, new equipment and hydrographic vessels. It also provided an important historical record of the development of the hydrographic profession and Hydrographic Offices. In 1999 the IHO licensed the IHR to Reed Business - Geo in Lemmer, The Netherlands. Reed Business Geo is still the publisher, the editorial content is put together by a small Editorial Board, including a Director of the IHB, that assists in the selection and approval of submitted papers. All papers in the IHR are peer-reviewed except for brief articles that appear in the Notes section. IHR is sent out twice a year to all the Hydrographic Offices in more than 70 countries and to other interested readers all over the world.

Questions

Content and Presentation

1. In the past, IHR has published articles on a variety of topics.

a) On a scale of 1-3, please indicate your level of interest in the following topics:

3 = high 2 = medium 1 = low

- marine geodesy
- hydrographic surveys
- oceanography
- seismic & hydrocarbon exploration
- port & harbour surveying
- marine mapping & cartography
- sonar technology
- remote sensing
- X-Y-Z positioning
- electronic charting
- marine GIS
- AUV and ROVs

Other topics? (please list)

b) What is your opinion about the range of topics that are presented in IHR.

- Highly satisfied
- Satisfied
- Neutral
- Not satisfied
- Very unsatisfied
- no opinion

c) In terms of the number of topics in issue, what do you suggest?

- More topics
- Keep the same
- Fewer topics

2. What is your opinion about the use of colour illustrations/graphics.

- Highly desirable
- Desirable
- Neutral
- Not needed
- Unnecessary
- No opinion

3. Have you ever contributed an article to the IHR?

- Yes
- No
- If no, please explain why not.

4. For each issue of IHR, what best describes how often do you read the articles?

- Always
- Often
- Usually
- Seldom
- Never

5. Although the articles in IHR are in English, abstracts are also provided in French and Spanish. Do you find this to be useful?

- Highly desirable
- Desirable
- Neutral
- Not needed
- Unnecessary
- No opinion

Subscription

1. What type of subscription do you have?

- Individual
- Academic
- Institutional

2. During the past 10 years, 2-3 issues were published each year with varying number of pages. Please indicate your preference.

- 3 issues/year each with a variable number of pages
- 2 issues/year each with ~ 160 pages
- 2 issues/year each with ~ 100 pages
- Other (please specify):

3. To avoid increase in the price of the subscription would you accept an increase in the number of adds?

- Yes
- No
- No opinion

4. Do you think IHR is an important publication that should continue to be published?

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- No opinion

Comments

1. If you agree, there are several publishing options. Please indicate your preference:

- Only in printed/hard-copy format
- Both hard-copy and digital format
- Only digital format

2. Do you feel that anybody that who should read International Hydrographic Review is it reading it? If no, please feel free to elaborate on suggestions to increase the readership

3. Any comments you would like to make and that are not covered by any question

Reader Profile

In order to better understand who are IHR readers, please provide the following information:

1. What best describes your professional association.

- Hydrographic Office
- University
- Software manufacturing
- Equipment
- Other, namely _____

2. Your age group:

- 20 – 29 years
- 30 – 39 years
- 40 – 49 years
- 50 – 59 years
- 60+ years

3. Level of Education

- Technical School (1-4 years)
- University/Maritime Academy (4-year)
- Graduate Degree
- Masters
- Ph.D.
- Other _____

a) If Academic or Institutional, How many persons have access to the IHR? How many really might be using the publication as a tool ?

b) Can you recommend other persons and/or institutions that would benefit from a subscription of the IHR? Please provide coordinates in attached form.

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