



ORGANIZACION HIDROGRAFICA INTERNACIONAL

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**COMPOSICION DEL COMITÉ DIRECTOR MIXTO OHI-COI PARA GEBCO**

Estimado Director,

1. El BHI ha sido informado por EE.UU. que el Dr. Mike LOUGHridge ha dimitido de su puesto de Miembro de la OHI del Comité Director de GEBCO (GGC). EE.UU. ha nombrado también al Dr. Christopher FOX como miembro del GGC. Se adjunta en el Anexo A una copia del "Currículum Vitae" del Dr. FOX (*en Inglés únicamente*).
2. Se indican en el Anexo B los detalles relativos a los miembros actuales del Comité Director de GEBCO.
3. Se solicita a los Estados Miembros que informen al BHI si desean nombrar a un representante para el GGC **antes del 28 de Febrero del 2006**. De no recibirse otros nombramientos, se considerará que se ha elegido al Dr. Christopher FOX.
4. Al BHI le gustaría aprovechar esta oportunidad para dar las gracias al Dr. LOUGHridge por su contribución al trabajo del GGC desde 1998 y a EE.UU. por su apoyo continuado a GEBCO.

En nombre del Comité Directivo  
Atentamente,

Capitán de Navío Hugo GORIZGLIA  
Director

Copia a: Prof. Bob WHITMARSH, Secretario Permanente de GEBCO.

Anexo A: CV del Dr. Christopher FOX (*en Inglés únicamente*);

Anexo B: Miembros del Comité Director de GEBCO en Enero del 2006.

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**BORN:** 18 March 1952; Philadelphia, PA

**PERSONAL:** Married, Two Children

**EDUCATION:** *Ph.D.*, Columbia University, New York, NY, Geological Sciences, 1985  
*M.Phil.*, Columbia University, New York, NY, Geological Sciences, 1982  
*Sc.M.*, Brown University, Providence, RI, Geological Sciences, 1976  
*A.B. (with honors)*, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Geology, 1974

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:** *Director*, National Geophysical Data Center, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Boulder, CO, 2004 - present  
*Physical Scientist*, Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Newport, OR 1985-2004  
*Oceanographer*, Advanced Technology Staff, U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office, Bay St. Louis, MS 1980-1985  
*Oceanographer*, Geology and Geophysics Branch, U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office, Bay St. Louis, MS 1978-1980  
*Hydrologist*, Water Resources Division, U.S. Geological Survey, Bay St. Louis, MS 1977-1978

**PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:** American Geophysical Union  
Acoustical Society of America

**AWARDS:** Participant, NOAA Leadership Competencies Development Program, 2000 -2001  
Outstanding Scientific Paper Award, NOAA/OAR, 1996  
Department of Commerce Gold Medal, 1994  
Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory Certificate of Recognition (9 awards)  
U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office Long-Term Training Program, 1981-1982

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:** Associate Professor (Courtesy), Oregon State University, (1986- 2004)  
Member, International RIDGE Program Steering Committee (1997-2001)  
US Delegate, International Whaling Commission Scientific Committee (1997- 99)  
Member, NEPTUNE Project Steering Committee (1998 - 2000)  
Member, National Science Foundation RIDGE Steering Committee (1991-1995)  
Member, Interagency Working Group on Dual-Use of IUSS (1993-1996)

**SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS:** Marine geophysics and underwater acoustics; Ocean mapping; Numerical simulation of natural systems; Integration of remote sensing systems;  
Geographic Information Systems

### Professional Experience

*Director*, NOAA National Geophysical Data Center, Boulder, CO; 4/18/2004-present: Lead a data and data-information service in all scientific and technical areas involving solid earth geophysics, marine geology and geophysics, glaciology/snow and ice, the upper atmosphere, space environment, solar activity and other areas of solar-terrestrial physics. Serve on NESDIS senior management team and various governing boards and councils. Oversee the operation of three World Data Centers, serve as Director of the IHO Data Centre for Digital Bathymetry, and represent NOAA and NESDIS on various international committees.

*Physical Scientist*, Ocean Environment Research Division, NOAA Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory, Newport, OR; 6/10/1985-4/17/2004: Conduct basic research in marine geology and geophysics, including low-frequency underwater acoustics in the ocean environment, the distribution of low-level seismicity and volcanism in the global ocean, the dynamics of seafloor spreading centers, and the effects of hydrothermal venting systems on the oceanic environment. Developed autonomous underwater hydrophones to allow long-term monitoring of ocean acoustics over the global ocean. Earlier research focused on inferring seafloor processes from remotely-sensed instruments such as multibeam sonars, side-scan sonar and bottom photography; as well as developing instrumentation to monitor the temporal variability of active ridge crest volcanic systems using *in situ* instruments. Also responsible for computer systems development and operations for NOAA's Newport, Oregon facilities as well as data archive and distribution.

*Oceanographer*, Advanced Technology Staff, U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office Bay St. Louis, MS; 2/10/1980 - 6/9/1985: Responsible for formulating the design and testing of numerical mathematical procedures for the analysis of geophysical and oceanographic data. Duties involved investigating the applicability of modern mathematical techniques to design strategies, developing numerical techniques for the solution of technical requirements, and the creation of necessary computer software to perform the tasks. Conducted basic research into the mathematical description of seafloor relief, oceanographic variability, and satellite derived geoid. I participated in the development of the DBDB-5 digital bathymetric data base, the Generalized Digital Environmental Model for oceanic sound speed, and the GEOSAT altimetry mission.

*Oceanographer*, Geology and Geophysics Branch, U.S. Naval Oceanographic Office, Bay St. Louis, MS; 6/4/1978 - 2/10/1980: Responsible for the management of all geophysical and oceanographic digital data bases. Developed software system to allow rapid access and graphic output for large geophysical data sets. I acted as subject matter specialist for software development on new shipboard computer systems. At sea, served as Lead Underway Oceanographer, responsible for ships' navigation and data quality.

*Hydrologist*, Water Resources Division, U.S. Geological Survey, Bay St. Louis, MS; 2/13/1977 - 6/4/1978: Responsible for the assessment of geothermal energy potential of subsurface brines in southern Louisiana. Created dynamic models of production well history for a two-phase system in a porous medium.

### Other Research

Development of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) for marine sciences (1990 - )

Development of digital enhancement techniques for marine sonar systems (1985 - 1995).

Formulation of stochastic models to describe high spatial frequency topography of the seafloor for acoustic bottom interaction modeling (1981-1985).

Development of digital techniques to improve quality of data from multibeam sonar systems (1980-1981).

Development of efficient data storage/retrieval/contouring systems for randomly spaced geophysical data sets (1978-1980).

Interpretation of the Pleistocene climatic history of the Asian monsoonal circulation through the deep-sea sediment record (1974-1976).

### Oceanographic Expeditions

WILKES	Karachi - Columbo	8/21/78 - 10/21/78
SILAS BENT	Yokosuka - Yokosuka	6/11/79 - 8/01/79
SILAS BENT*	Honolulu - San Diego	1/2/80 - 1/24/80
DISCOVERER	Astoria - Seattle	7/10/86 - 7/25/86
DISCOVERER*	Newport - Seattle	8/17/87 - 8/27/87
ATLANTIS II/ALVIN	Newport - Newport	9/15/87 - 10/05/87
DISCOVERER*	Seattle - Newport	8/1/88 - 8/18/88
DISCOVERER*	Astoria - Astoria	8/12/90 - 9/03/90
SURVEYOR	San Diego-Seattle	5/08/95 - 5/16/95
DISCOVERER*	Seattle-San Francisco	7/17/95 - 7/29/95
RONALD H. BROWN*	San Diego - Newport	9/10/97 - 9/14/97
RONALD H. BROWN*	Newport - San Francisco	10/3/99 - 10/20/99
MAURICE EWING	Norfolk - Barbados	1/30/99 - 2/24/99
RONALD H. BROWN*	Seattle - San Diego	8/27/01 - 9/3/01
R/O LE SUROIT	Ponta Delgada - Brest	5/17/02 - 6/4/02

\* Chief Scientist

### Other Professional Activities

Associate Professor (Courtesy), College of Oceanic and Atmospheric Sciences, Oregon State University (1986-2004)

Over 100 published scientific papers

### Selected Publications

Chaytor, Jason D., Chris Goldfinger, Robert P. Dziak, and **Christopher G. Fox**, Active deformation of the Gorda "Plate": Constraining deformation models with new geophysical data, *Geology*, vol. 32 no. 4, 353-356, 2004.

Dziak, Robert P., **Christopher G. Fox**, Andra M. Bobbitt, and Chris Goldfinger, 2001, Bathymetric map of the entire Gorda Plate: Structural and geomorphological processes inferred from multibeam surveys, *Marine Geophysical Researches*, vol. 22, no. 4, 235-250.

**Fox, Christopher G.** and Andra M. Bobbitt, 1999, NOAA Vents Program GIS: Integration, Analysis and Distribution of Multidisciplinary Oceanographic Data, in *Marine and Coastal Geographical Information Systems*, D.W. Wright and D. Bartlett, eds., Taylor and Francis, London, 320 pp.

Wright, Dawn J., **Christopher G. Fox**, and Andra M. Bobbitt, 1997, A scientific information model for deep sea mapping and sampling, *Marine Geodesy*, vol. 20, no. 4, 367-379.

Bobbitt, Andra M., Robert P. Dziak, Kathleen M. Stafford, and **Christopher G. Fox**, 1997, GIS analysis of oceanographic remotely-sensed and field observation data, *Marine Geodesy*, vol. 20, no. 2-3, p. 153-161.

**Fox, Christopher G.**, 1996, Objective classification of ridge crest terrains using two-dimensional spectral models of bathymetry: Application to the Juan de Fuca Ridge, *Marine Geophysical Researches*, vol. 18, p. 707-728.

Chadwick, Jr., William W., Robert W. Embley, and **Christopher G. Fox**, 1995, SeaBeam depth changes associated with recent lava flows, CoAxial Segment, Juan de Fuca Ridge: Evidence for multiple eruptions between 1981-1993, *Geophysical Research Letters*, vol. 22, no. 2, p 167-170.

**Fox, Christopher G.**, William W. Chadwick, and Robert W. Embley, 1992, Detection of changes in ridge crest morphology using repeated multibeam sonar surveys, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, vol 97, no B7, pp 11149-11162.

Appelgate, T. Bruce, Chris Goldfinger, Mary E. MacKay, LaVerne D. Kulm, **Christopher G. Fox**, Robert W. Embley, and Philip J. Meis, 1992, A left-lateral strike-slip fault seaward of the central Oregon convergent margin, *Tectonics*, vol. 11, no. 3., pp 465-477.

Lau, Tai-Kwan A., and **Christopher G. Fox**, 1991, A technique for combining SeaMARC I sidescan sonar and gridded bathymetric data to display undistorted seafloor images, *Oceans91: Proceedings*, vol. 2, p. 1140-1145.

Embley, Robert W., Kim M. Murphy, and **Christopher G. Fox**, 1990, High resolution studies of the summit of Axial Volcano, *Journal of Geophysical Research*, vol. 95, no. B8, p 12785-12812.

**Fox, Christopher G.**, 1990, Acoustic Techniques for Imaging the Seafloor, in G.R. McMurray, ed., *Gorda Ridge, A Seafloor Spreading Center in the United States' Exclusive Economic Zone*, Springer-Verlag, New York, p 169-178.

Gonzalez, Frank I., **Christopher G. Fox**, and Eddie N. Bernard, 1988, Tsunami source definition through pre- and post- event seafloor mapping, *Proceedings of the U.S. Hydrographic Conference*, April 12-15, p 102-108.

**Fox, Christopher G.**, and Dennis E. Hayes, 1985, Quantitative methods for describing the roughness of the seafloor, *Reviews of Geophysics and Space Physics*, vol. 23, no. 1, p 1-48.

**LISTA DE MIEMBROS DE LA OHI-COI EN EL COMITE DIRECTOR DE GEBCO**  
*(Enero del 2006)*

**Miembros de la OHI**

- Mr. David MONAHAN (Canadá), desde 1985.
- Mr. Kunio YASHIMA (Japón), desde 1991.
- IGA Etienne CAILLIAU (Francia), desde el 2003.
- C.F. Paolo LUSIANI (Italia), desde el 2005.
- Vacante.

**Miembro de la COI**

- Dr. Gleb B. UDINTSEV (Federación Rusa), desde 1974.
  - Dr. Robin K.H. FALCONER (Nueva Zelanda), desde 1985.
  - Dr. Ing. Hans-Werner SCHENKE (Alemania), desde 1991.
  - Lic. José Luis FRIAS SALAZAR (Méjico), desde 1994.
  - Dr. Meirion JONES (RU), desde el 2003.
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