

INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION CAPACITY BUILDING SUB COMMITTEE (CBSC)

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CBSC Members RHC CB Coordinators

Reference: IHO Circular Letter 16/2015, dated 20 February

Dear Members and Coordinators,

Please find attached the draft agenda and timetable for the next CBSC13 meeting, announced by the reference. You are kindly invited to provide inputs and comments by 9 March 2015 before publication.

There are several ongoing promising projects in the RHCs regarding the further improvement of Capacity Building. I would like to invite the representatives of the Regions to present their developments and to share their experiences during the meeting. Please refer to the draft agenda item 5.3

Let me take this opportunity to remind you on the deadline for submissions for the 2016 CBWP as of 1 April 2015.

As the revised IHO CB Strategy has been adopted by the EIHC5 there is the implication that the CB provision of Phases Two and Three should be limited for Member States only. According to the principles laid down in the IHO CB Strategy:

3.6 Funding of Non MS is generally limited to technical visits and Phase 1 projects (this will include an overall assessment of the status of hydrography and information of relevant authorities). Exceptions to this have to be reflected against the resources provided, the expected output and the situation in the country.

I look forward to meeting you all in Mexico City!

Best regards,

Thomas Dehling

Chairman, IHO Capacity Building Sub-Committee

Annex: Draft doc. CBSC13-02 Agenda and Timetable