



INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION
CAPACITY BUILDING SUB COMMITTEE (CBSC)

Date: 12th May 2016

Members of the CBSC

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Dear colleagues,

Less than two weeks to go before the next CBSC meeting in Abu Dhabi where I am looking forward to seeing you all again in good health.

To be better prepared for the agenda of the meeting I would like to inform you on the current situation of our Capacity Building programme and some important issues that we should work on at the meeting.

Together with the IHB Staff and especially with the support from Alberto I just had the preparatory CB meeting and I am now in a position to provide some information in advance for your preparation.

1. You will find the updated 2016 CB work programme and the current draft version of the 2017 Management Plan on the IHO website.
2. You will find as well all submissions received and reviewed for detailed information.
3. For the 2016 CBWP currently funds are available for most of the projects, but not for all of them. We will have to decide on the way forward for the latter ones.
4. For the 2017 WP at this stage funds can be expected (but are not confirmed) of roughly 600.000€, from which 145.000€ are not earmarked. This is much less than what is needed according to the submissions received.
5. To deal with that deficit we could either concentrate on high priority projects or find ways to raise the contribution from wealthier MS that benefit from a project. Anyway it is clear that we have to stick strictly to our strategy and regulations. Some submissions will probably be on a waiting list comparable to this year until further funds are available.



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6. Let me remind the CB-Coordinators to give the input to the 3 year Work Plan (if there will be an Assembly in 2017) for the years 2018 to 2020.

Best personal regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Thomas Dehling". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Thomas Dehling

Chairman IHO Capacity Building Sub Committee