

**9<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE HYDROGRAPHIC SERVICES AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE  
(HSSC-9)  
Ottawa, Canada, 6 - 10 November 2017**

**FINAL MINUTES**

**5.8 Hydrographic Dictionary (HDWG)**

*Doc: HSSC9-05.8A [Report and Recommendations of HDWG](#) (HDWG Chair) - [Presentation](#)*

The HDWG held a meeting in London this year during which the HDWG reviewed and updated its Terms of reference and its business rules. The HDWG reached an agreement on a symmetrical architecture and database application valid for both the S-32 Hydrographic Dictionary Registry and the S-100 Registry. The meeting also reached an agreement on the Hydrographic Dictionary (HD) content and determined a way-ahead to be submitted to HSSC-9.

Following a presentation by the US representative of the HDWG, on a proposed new model, the HDWG Chair added that it was also intended to carry out a review of the dictionary content. He proposed that English should be the primary working language. A unique concept IDentifier index will be used to provide the mechanism to linking equivalent definitions and terms together, for all languages.

Singapore commended the HDWG on the report and proposed that the HDWG should attempt to hold meetings with other working groups to increase participation. China noted that this work was very important and reported that they had produced a Chinese version of the HD. China will assess whether to join the HDWG. KHOA suggested that the IHO GI Registry Manager should be a member of the HDWG.

**Outcome:**

- The Committee noted the report, approved the new HDWG TORs as given in Annex B and requested Member States to consider appointing new active members in the HDWG.

→Decisions [HSSC9/39](#), [HSSC9/40](#)

→Action [HSSC9/41](#)

## LIST of DECISIONS &amp; Actions arising from HSSC-9

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AGENDA ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION No.	ACTIONS (in bold, action by)	TARGET DATE/EVENT	STATUS (at 18 December 2017)
<b>5.8 Hydrographic Dictionary (HDWG)</b>					
	HDWG TORs	HSSC9/39	<b>HSSC</b> approved the amendments to the HDWG TORs as proposed by the HDWG		Decision
	HDWG TORs	HSSC9/40	<b>IHO Sec.</b> to upload the new HDWG TORs accordingly		Decision
	Participation in HDWG	HSSC9/41	<b>IHO Sec.</b> to invite IHO Member States to appoint new active members to the HDWG	<b>Jan. 2018</b>	

## LIST of DECISIONS &amp; Actions arising from HSSC-10

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<b>5.8 Hydrographic Dictionary (HDWG)</b>					
	Participation in HDWG	HSSC10/50	<b>CN</b> and <b>RF</b> to consider the possibility of appointing a member to the HDWG	<b>Sept. 2018</b>	Done for CN
	Submissions of new terms to the Hydrographic Dictionary	HSSC10/51	<b>HDWG</b> to prepare a template to be used by WGs when submitting new terms to the Hydrographic Dictionary	<b>Sept. 2018</b>	