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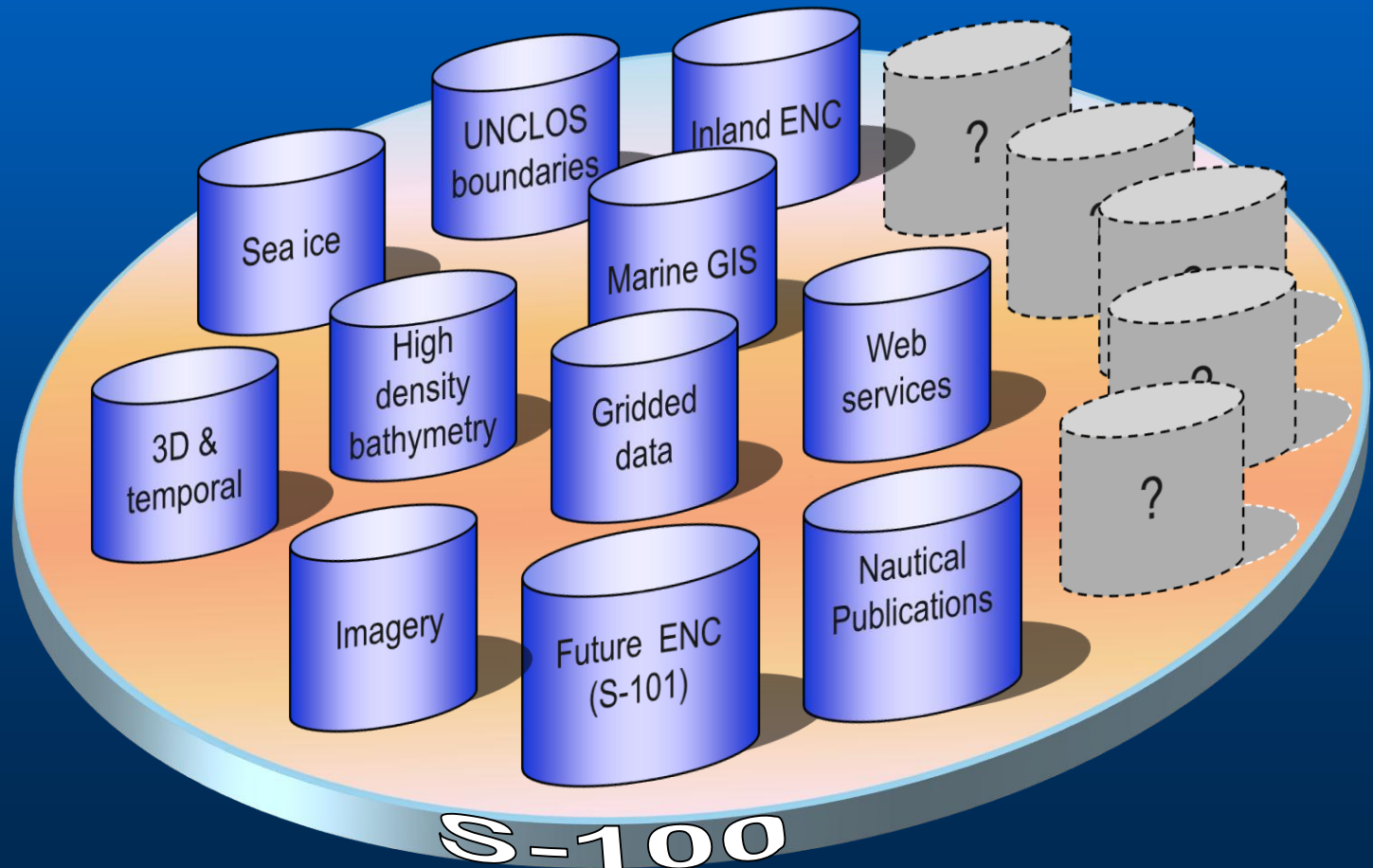
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S-100 Basics  
Background Brief

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# S-100 Basics

S-100 - IHO Universal Hydrographic Data Model - provides a contemporary hydrographic geospatial data standard that can support a wide variety of digital data sources, products and services



# Background

- 1987: adoption of the first IHO digital format for the exchange of hydrographic data (“CEDD format”)
- 1992: publication of IHO Publication S-57 – Transfer Standard for Digital Hydrographic Data
- 2000: publication of S-57 Edition 3.1
  - S-57 used mainly for encoding Electronic Navigation Charts (ENC)
  - Ed. 3.1 frozen until further notice
  - preparation of Ed. 4 initiated to include additional data types such as bathymetric and matrix data
- 2005: change of name

**S-57 edition 4.0**

→ **S-100**

**S-57 Edition 4.0 ENC Product Specification**

→ **S-101**



# Main characteristics of S-100

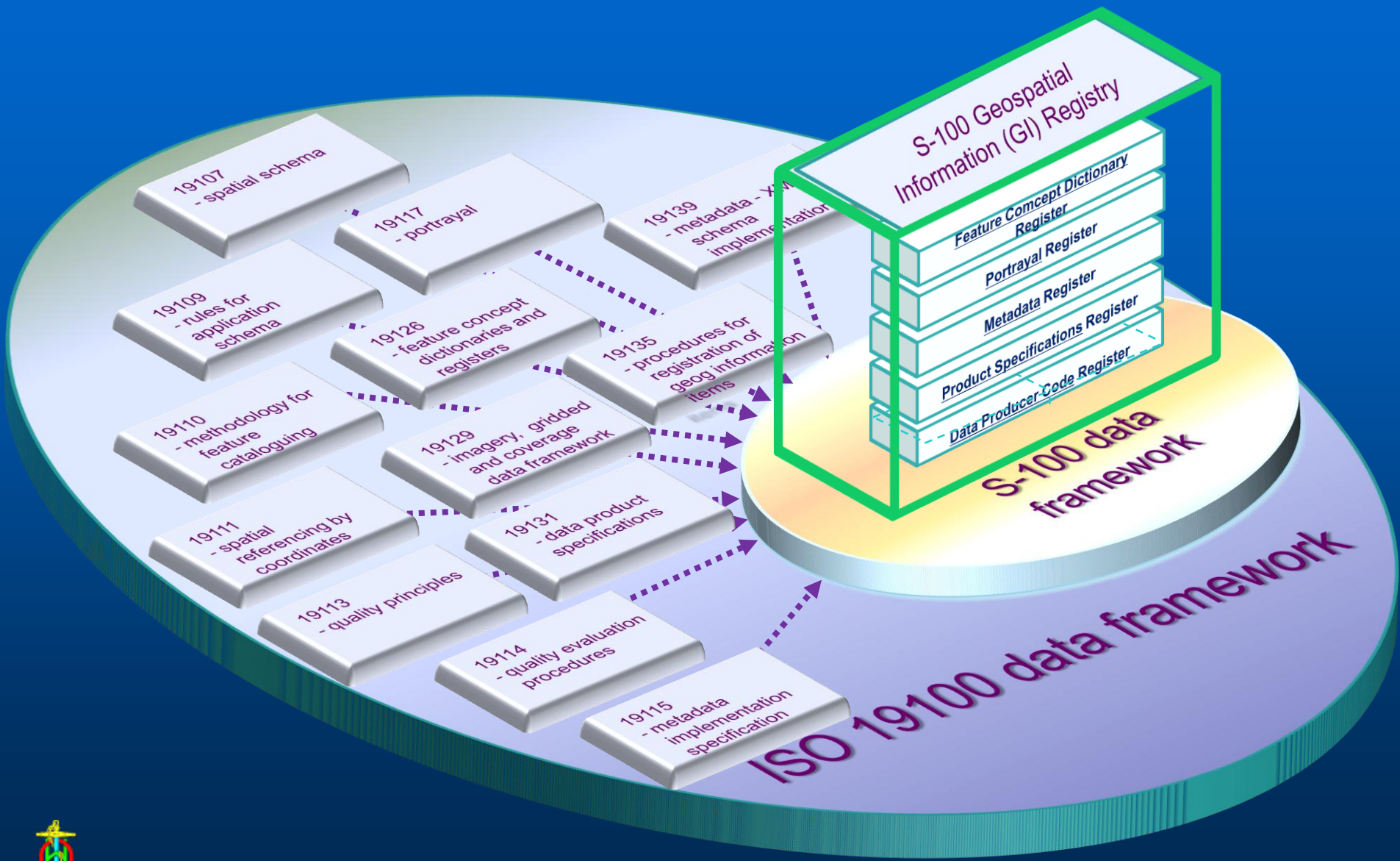
- Data content separated from the carrier (file format)

*Note: S-57 data model embedded in ISO/IEC 8211 encapsulation*

- Manageable flexibility that can accommodate change
- Alignment with ISO 191xx series of current geospatial information standards - interoperable with other domains
- ISO-conforming web-based registry
- Specifies methods and tools for data management, processing, analyzing, accessing, presenting and transferring data between different users, systems and locations



# S-100 – Based on ISO/TC211 Conceptual Standards

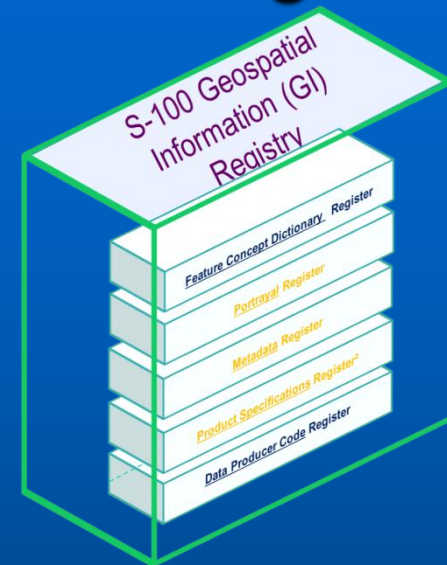




# S-100 Geospatial Information Registry

## ■ Registry

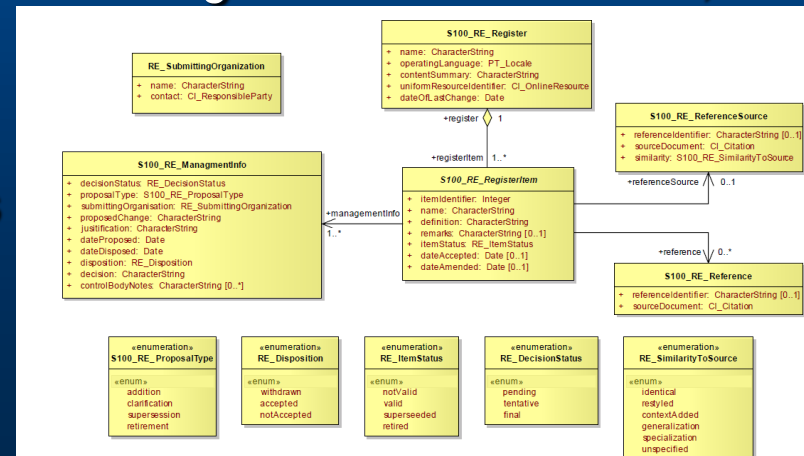
- A registry is the information system on which registers are maintained.
  - **Registry** = collection of **registers**



## ■ Registers

- A register is simply a managed list. It is easier to maintain than a fixed document, because new items can be added as needed to the register, and existing items in the register can be clarified, superseded or retired.

- **Register** = collection of **tables**



# S-100 Registers



## Feature Concept Dictionary (FCD) Register

- Register containing definitions on how to digitally describe and encode any piece of information
  - a buoy
  - a sounding
  - a ship position
  - a radio service
  - .....

## Portrayal Register

- Register containing the elements of portrayal schemes such as symbols (under development)

## Metadata Register

- Register containing the core set of metadata items and a structure for defining additional items (under development)



# S-100 Registers



## Product Specifications Register

- Description of which elements from FCD and other registers are used to define a data exchange standard
  - IHO ENC product specification
  - real-time tidal height exchange standard
  - sea ice product specification
  - ship reporting exchange standard
  - VTMS route definition product spec.
  - .....

## Data Producer Code Register

- Register containing the list of codes identifying the producers of a particular data product





# S-100 Product Specification

## ■ Product Specification

*A product specification is a description of all the features, attributes and relationships of a given application and their mapping to a dataset. It is a complete description of all the elements required to define a particular geographic data product.*

- product identification
- data content and structure
- coordinate reference system
- data quality
- data capture
- data maintenance
- portrayal
- encoding
- product delivery



# S-100 Product Specification

- Product Specification – main document defining the product
- Feature Catalogue (XML) – Application scheme, Features and Attributes
- Portrayal Catalogue (XML) - (optional) – Display rules and symbols
- Encoding - e.g. GML, ISO8211, WKT, KML etc ...
- Capture guide (optional) – Guidance/rules for capturing product data.



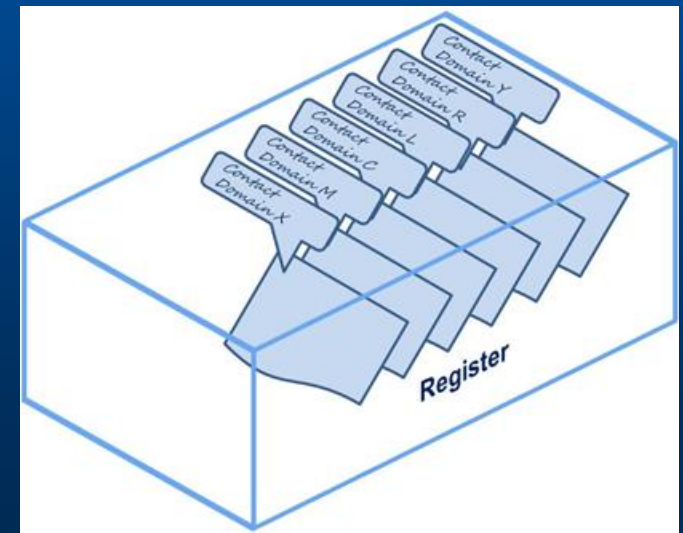
# S-100 Domains

## ■ Domains

*Within the Feature Concept, the Portrayal and the Metadata Registers each entry is assigned to a recognised domain. The purpose of designating domains and a related Domain Control Body is to ensure that the key stakeholders (as represented by the domains) are consulted in any subsequent proposals to adjust items contained in a Register.*

Domains of Feature Concept Dictionary Register:

- nautical charts
- nautical publications
- inland ENC's
- port ENC's
- sea ice coverage
- marine information overlays



# S-100 References

- S-100 - Universal Hydrographic Data Model  
Edition 1.0.0 - January 2010
- S-99 - Operational Procedures for the Organization and Management of the S-100 Geospatial Information Registry  
Edition 1.1.0 - November 2012
- S-100 on-line GI Registry: <http://registry.iho.int/>





# Status and Perspectives

## ■ S-100

- Edition 1.0.0 - January 2010
- Section on portrayal under development
- Approval of Edition 2.0.0 foreseen in 2014
  - Completion will enable an S-100/S-101 test phase to begin
- Further evolution required to support service-centric model

## ■ Product Specifications

- Focus on geospatial products



# Status and Perspectives

## ■ Product Specifications

### • IHO Product Specifications

- S-102 - Bathymetric Surface Product Specification : Edition 1.0.0 - April 2012
- Under development:
  - S-101 - ENC: draft 1<sup>st</sup> Edition expected in 2013
  - S-10x - Marine Protected Areas
  - S-10x - Digital Routeing Guide
  - S-10x - Surface Currents
  - Generic template to guide the development of product specifications

### • Product Specifications being developed with other organizations

- Maritime Boundaries Data (UN DOALOS)
- Sea Ice (JCOMM/ETSI)
- Ocean Forecasts (JCOMM/ETMSS)



## ■ GI Registry: IALA & IEHG involved in maintaining domains

# Development of S-100 Product Specifications

## Base Standards and Services (Building Blocks)

- S-100 - Geospatial Framework
- IHO GI Registry

## Product Specifications

- S-101 - ENC
- S-102 - Bathymetric Surface
- S-10x - Marine Protected Areas
- S-10x - Radio Signals
- S-10x - Tidal Information
- S-10x - Surface Currents
- S-20x - Inland ENC
- S-20x - Maritime Boundaries
- Other IHO Product Specifications
- Other non-IHO Product Specifications

## Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee (HSSC)

Transfer Standard Maintenance and Application Development WG (TSMAD)

Standardization of Nautical Publications WG (SNPWG)

Data Quality WG

Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure WG (MSDIWG)

Surface Currents WG

Data Protection Scheme WG (DPSWG)

Digital Information Portrayal WG (DIPWG)

Chart Standardization and Paper Chart WG (CSPCWG)

Tidal and Water Level WG (TWLWG)

Hydrographic Dictionary WG (HDWG)

Inland ENC (IEHC)

UN DOALOS

E-Navigation

Others ...



# Status and Perspectives

- Time scale for the take-up of S-100?
  - E-navigation
    - S-100 endorsed as the baseline for the “Common Maritime Data Structure”
    - Barriers to implementing S-101 in the near future
      - Overhead associated with dual S-57 and S-101 ENC
      - Cost of upgrading ECDIS
    - Key driver: availability and appeal of S-100 based products & services associated with e-navigation
  - MSDI applications
    - S-102 registered in the EU Inspire framework
    - Development of web map services to provide access to S-102 products
- Ability to use S-100 to model non-geographic information?
  - Successful exploration of the feasibility of an S-100 based PS for notice of arrival and pilot requests





# Transition to an S-100 ECDIS

Next Generation ECDIS



S-100 based  
Single Window

Challenges

S-100, S-101, S-10x  
Standards

S-101  
Next Generation  
ENC

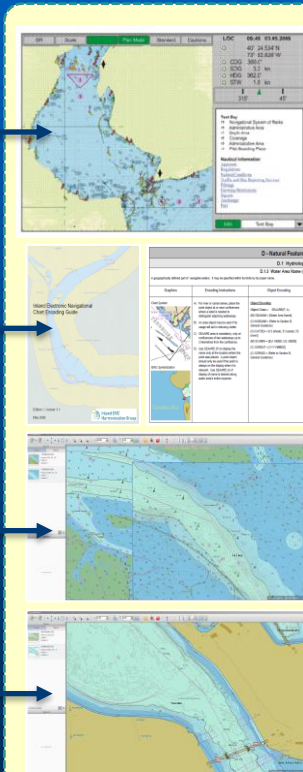
S-102  
Bathymetry

S-10x  
Inland ENC

S-10x  
Nautical  
Publication

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S-10x  
Marine  
Information  
Overlay



- ✓ S-57 to S-101 conversion
- ✓ S-101 Implementation
- ✓ S-101 Display
- ✓ S-10x Product Overlays
- ✓ Conventional ECDIS functions
- ✓ New ECDIS functions
- ✓ S-101 ENC Onboard Test
- ✓ S-101 ENC Quality Assessment
- ✓ S-101 ENC Protection
- ✓ S-10x Product distribution



# S-100 Howto

- Identify the requirement
  - What information does one want to exchange in a digital, standardised way ?
    - “*enter once – use many*” applications
- Are the definitions that one needs already in the S-100 Registry?
  - Yes => Go ahead
    - develop own Product Specification / Exchange Standard



# S-100 Howto

- No? (Definitions not in the registry):
  - Find or become a submitting organization to :
    - revise an existing entry
    - propose something new
  - Then develop own Product Specification / Exchange Standard
- IHO/HSSC will not create or control definitions or standards outside its scope
  - But it can help and advise if asked ...





# Questions?

For more information: <http://www.iho.int>

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