

**Decision No. 3 of the 5th Extraordinary International Hydrographic Conference
PRO5-Rev 1:**

The Conference approved the following:

That the Conference reinforces the existing reporting requirements for committees, sub-committees, and WGs, and underlines the importance of submitting these reports in order to offer the IHB and Member States a tool to both estimate and provide the necessary resources as well as assess results and progress.

That the chairs of committees, Sub-committees and WGs be directed by the IHB to, twice annually at year-end and mid-year, report on the overall status of their respective work programmes by completing a simple, two-part template that requests brief lists of

- 1) current goals and priorities, and
- 2) current or expected gaps and needs.

That the IHB communicate these brief summary reports in a circular letter, as well as noting any groups that did not report, with a view to offering Member States a snapshot of the status of the work of the IHO.

That in the same circular letter, the IHB requests contributions and/or volunteers to help meet any gaps or needs.

That the IHB use these biannual reports to inform the drafting of the annual IHO Work Programme, as well as the 5-year Work Programme.

That progress towards more results-based programming is important, and is supported by robust reporting on performance, including results and needs, as well as valid estimates of resource needs.

That Member States will consider this issue in the context of the 2018 - 2021 Work Programme and Budget.