



Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee

HSSC-5

Agenda item 7.2

Revision of IHO Publication S-66

IHB

Background

- ✦ 2004: 1st Edition of “Facts about Electronic Charts and Carriage Requirements” issued by Primar and IC-ENC
- ✦ 2007: 2nd Edition
- ✦ 2008: IHO Member States agree to adopt the booklet as an IHO publication (S-66) and to seek subsequently co-sponsorship of the document with IMO
- ✦ 2008: CHRIS20 agrees that S-66 would be maintained by the Primar / IC-ENC Joint Information WG (JIWG) on behalf of HSSC
- ✦ 2010: 1st Edition of S-66 issued (English version)



Analysis

- ✦ S-66 Ed. 1 does not account for a number of developments:
 - promulgation or amendment of a number of IMO Circulars related to the operation of ECDIS
 - development and implementation of the IHO ECDIS Data Presentation and Performance Check
 - revision of IHO Publication S-63 - IHO Data Protection Scheme
 - progress in ENC coverage, affecting the possible use of RNC or paper charts as alternatives
 - possible obsolescence of a number of practical information, such as the list of the websites of Flag State Authorities (section 2)
- ⇒ it is now a matter of priority to revise the current edition



Analysis

- ✦ Options for revising S-66:
 - [revision by a working group of HSSC]
 - [revision by the IHB]
 - activation of the JIWG by Primar and IC-ENC
 - revision by an ad hoc group of volunteers, (maybe drawn from the former JIWG)
 - revision through contract support, subject to the availability of the appropriate resources (expertise and budget)



Recommendation

- ✦ plan the revision of S-66 in the HSCC work plan 2014-2015
- ✦ invite Member States to propose to the IHB, directly or through Primar and IC-ENC, experts who could contribute to the task on a voluntary or contractual basis;
- ✦ request the IHB to implement the most suitable solution on the basis of the proposal of Member States
- ✦ consider in the longer term a sustainable maintenance procedure and include the appropriate tasks in the subsequent edition of the HSSC work plan

