



Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee

HSSC-8

November 2016

HSSC Administration

Agenda item 4

Preparation of the 1st Session of the IHO Assembly (A-1)

IHO Secretariat

Main changes introduced by the revised IHO Convention

- Conference => Assembly
- Establishment of a Council (30 Member States)
- 5-year cycle => 3-year cycle
- Simplified accession procedure for UN Member States
- IHB => Secretariat
- Directing Committee => SG + subordinate Directors
- Eligibility conditions less strict for SG and Directors
- Consultation by correspondence
 - **Previous regime:** The majority is calculated on the basis of the **total membership** (Abstention = NO - Simple majority: 42, 2/3 majority: 55)
 - **New regime:** The decisions (when endorsed by the Council) shall be taken by a majority of the Member States **who cast a vote**, with the minimum number of affirmative votes being at least one-third of all MS (currently: 28)



HSSC contribution to the preparation of A-1

- ✦ Report and proposals related to the implementation of the IHO Work Programme 2013-2017
 - See HSSC8-04C
- ✦ Input to the review of the IHO Strategic Plan
 - See HSSC8-04A
- ✦ Input to the preparation of the IHO Work Programme 2018-2020
 - See HSSC8-04B



Implementation of the IHO Work Programme 2013-2017

- ✦ Submit HSSC report and proposals by 1 Dec 2016
 - Proposed outline in the annex to HSSC8.04C
- ✦ Member States' proposals related to Programme 2
 - List of proposals as of 2 Sep 2016 (see ACL 10)
 - One proposal related to Programme 2:
PRO 6 (Republic of Korea): Proposed amendment to the IHO Resolution 2/2007 for improving the validation procedure of making changes to specifications based on S-100
 - Timeline:
 - 15 Dec 2016: deadline for comments on the first set of proposals and additional proposals (if any)
 - 30 Jan 2017: deadline for comments on additional proposals
 - 10 Feb 2017: target date for issuing "Red Book"



PRO 6 Proposed amendment to the IHO Resolution 2/2007 for improving the validation procedure of making changes to specifications based on S-100

Recognizing the need to improve the test and validation procedure of making changes to specifications based on S-100, it is proposed to add the following to the IHO Resolution 2/2007:

1. Establish and run a test bed to test and validate the changes to S-100 based specifications.
2. Share the results of running the test bed on the IHO website.
3. A body for running the test bed is required to set detailed specifications for the following, which will subsequently need to be approved by the IHO technical committee.
 - a. Composition and tasks of the organization for running the test bed
 - b. Items and criteria of test phases
 - c. Guidelines on inter-operability between specifications
 - d. Any other specifications set forth by other technical committees



Implementation of the IHO Work Programme 2013-2017

✦ Action requested of HSSC

- consider the proposed outline of the HSSC Report,
- decide on HSSC proposals to be considered by A-1
- consider commenting on MS proposals related to Prog. 2
- decide on arrangements/timeline for the completion of:
 - HSSC report and proposals
 - comments on MS proposals related to Programme 2
- decide on arrangements for the oral presentation
 - overview of the report and proposals
 - focused presentations



Review of the IHO Strategic Plan

✦ Status

- As agreed at HSSC-7, the Chair Group met in June and provided its input to the IHO Secretariat:
 - A full scale revision is not required
 - Comments on the structure and proposed amendments
- Other inputs indicate that the Member States are generally satisfied with the overall aims and objectives of the IHO as set out in the current Strategic Plan, with the exception of one MS (UK) that proposed to initiate a full revision of the Strategic Plan



Review of the IHO Strategic Plan

- ✦ Next steps (see IHO CL 31/2016 and ACL 10)
 - Member States were invited to consider any alternative or additional proposal related to the Strategic Plan and its implementation in response to the call for proposals to be considered by A-1 (deadline: 15 December 2016)
 - A draft revised version of the existing Strategic Plan, taking into account the input received, will be circulated by the Secretariat with the other documents to be considered by A-1 (target date: 1 February 2017)
- ✦ Action requested of HSSC
 - consider additional input, if any, to the revision of the IHO Strategic Plan



Preparation of the IHO Work Programme 2018-2020

- ✦ Submit HSSC input by 1 Dec 2016
- ✦ Input from the Chair Group (see HSSC8-4B):
 - Risk assessment
 - Performance monitoring and reporting
 - Retain and adjust 4 of the 5 current WPIs
 - ↪ HSSC 1: number of targeted S-100-based product specifications approved
 - ↪ HSSC 2: number of annual targets of the Work Plan achieved
 - ↪ HSSC 3: number of Member States and Companies represented in the working groups and project teams
 - ↪ HSSC 4: number of remedial technical revisions of standards
 - Revert to annual reporting
 - Outline of Programme 2



Preparation of the IHO Work Programme 2018-2020

✦ Action requested of HSSC

- consider the proposals related to
 - risk assessment
 - performance monitoring and reporting
- consider the proposed outline of Programme 2 for 2018-2020 (including requests for contract support funds)
- decide on arrangements to finalize the submission to the IHO Secretariat

