Dear Colleagues,

1. I am pleased to confirm that the **next meeting of IENWG- IENWG-9** will take place in Brussels at DG AGRI — Directorate-General for Agriculture and Rural Development- Rue de la Loi 130 / Wetstraat 130 /1000 Bruxelles / Brussel /ROOM L130 2/SMF1

2. Actions arising from IENWG-8 The current status of actions arising from IENWG-8 are available on the respective sections of the IHO website. Some actions are still pending. Those nominated for actions that remain outstanding are kindly requested to take action as necessary and report the status to the IENWG Secretary (corine.lochet@shom.fr) as soon as possible.

3. **Draft Agenda and Timetable for IENWG-9:** The draft agenda for IENWG-9 (file IENWG-9-2A) is joined to this letter. Associated documents, where known, are listed. Member States are kindly requested to review the draft agendas and timetables of the meetings and provide any comments or proposals for new or amended agenda items to the IENWG Secretary by 26 October 2018. If necessary, revised draft agendas and timetables for IENWG-9 will be prepared and posted on the IHO website.

4. **Submission of documents for IENWG 9**. Documents intended for consideration at IENWG-9 should be submitted to the IENWG Secretary (<u>corine.lochet@shom.fr</u>) as follows:

Substantive papers – new items Proposals for new work items and any submissions requiring consideration and a decision by IENWG Subsequent Comments and Contributions Subsequent papers (which should be no more than 4 pages) commenting on submissions or proposals submitted as above Not later than **26 October 2018** (three weeks before commencement of the meeting)

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5. All documents for the meetings will be posted on the IHO website under IHO <u>IRCC</u> - IHO-EU Network (IENWG) as soon as they are available. Member States are invited to consult the IHO website regularly.

6. Members. The lists of the members of the IENWG is maintained on the IHO website under IHO <u>IRCC</u> - IHO-EU Network (IENWG). This meeting is a plenary session, opened to the representant of all EU member states.

7. Logistics. Hotel reservations and visa requests are the responsibility of each participant.

8. **Registration**. Members of the IENWG, wishing to attend the meeting, are requested to register online as soon as possible and **not later than 30th October 2018**. <u>http://hansol.inplan.kr/\_cbm/conference/conference.asp</u>