

**FIRST MEETING OF THE IHO INTER REGIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE
IHO-IRCC1
Auditorium Rainier III, Monaco, 05 June 2009**

DRAFT 2010 IRCC WORK PROGRAM

TASK IRCC1/2010 Inter Regional Coordinating Committee (IRCC) Meeting.

Organize, prepare and conduct IRCC-2 in 2010.

Action : IRCC Chair + IHB

TASK IRCC 2/2010 ENC Coverage.

Monitor and advise IRCC on the development of adequate ENC coverage to meet the SOLAS V/19 carriage requirements for ECDIS (Ref Tasks 1.1.17 and 1.1.18)

Action : IRCC WEND Working Group

TASK IRCC 3/2010 Increase participation on IHO activities.

Develop a programme and strategy to increase the participation of Non-Member States in IHO activities, particularly from the EAthC, SWPHC, MACHC, SAIHC, RSAHC, NIOHC, BSHC and MBSHC. (Ref. Tasks 1.3.1; 1.3.2; 1.3.3; 1.3.4; 1.3.5; 1.3.6; 1.3.7 and 1.3.8).

Action : Working Group led by IRCC Vice Chairman

TASK IRCC 4/2010 Raising national awareness of Hydrographic obligations.

Prepare an IHO reference document or documents to assist in highlighting the obligations of all States to comply with SOLAS V Regulation 9 "Hydrographic Services". (Ref. Task 2.3.1)

Action: Working Group led by IRCC Chairman.

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PROPOSED TERMS OF REFERENCE AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

A) IRCC ENC Coverage Working Group (ECWG)

Terms of Reference

1. Develop initiatives, proposals and actions aiming at completing ENC Coverage to meet any carriage requirements for ECDIS.
2. Audit and monitor the state of ENC availability worldwide.
3. Report on ENC status to the next meeting of the IRCC and advise IRCC on appropriate measures for speeding-up the implementation process.

Rules of Procedure

1. The Working Group shall be composed of a representative from each RENC, representatives from the IRCC, and a representative from the IHB.
2. Expert Contributors may be invited to join the WG as required, according to the task at hand. Expert Contributors shall be invited by the Chair.
3. The Chair and Vice Chair shall be representatives from the IRCC and shall be decided by vote of the Committee members present and voting at a meeting. If the Chair is unable to carry out the duties of the office, the Vice-Chair shall act as the Chair with the same powers and duties.
4. The requirement for the continued existence of the WG shall be reviewed at each meeting of the IRCC and IRCC representatives elected or re-elected as appropriate.
5. The WG shall conduct its business by correspondence to the maximum extent possible.
6. Agreements of the WG shall be made by consensus.

B) IRCC Working Group on Increasing Participation in IHO Activities (Short Title: Participation Improvement WG (PIWG))

Terms of Reference

1. To develop a programme and strategy to increase the participation of Non-Member States in IHO activities, particularly from the following RHCs.: EAHC, SWPHC, MACHC, SAIHC, RSAHC, NIOHC, BSHC and BSHC.
2. To report to the next meeting of the IRCC.

Rules of Procedure

1. The Working Group shall be composed of IRCC Members.
2. Expert Contributors may be invited to join the WG as required, according to the task at hand. Expert Contributors shall be invited by the Chair.
3. The Chair shall be the IRCC Vice Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall be decided by vote of the Committee members present and voting at a meeting. If the Chair is unable to carry out the duties of the office, the Vice-Chair shall act as the Chair with the same powers and duties.
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C) IRCC Working Group on Raising Awareness of Hydrographic Obligations (Short title: Hydrographic Obligations WG – (HOWG))

Terms of Reference

1. To prepare an IHO reference document or documents to assist in highlighting the obligations of all States to comply with SOLAS V Regulation 9 “Hydrographic Services”.
2. Submit the document to the next IRCC meeting.

Rules of Procedure

1. The Working Group shall be composed of a representative from NSHC, EAHC, USCHC, BSHC and the CBSC.
2. Expert Contributors may be invited to join the WG as required, according to the task at hand. Expert Contributors shall be invited by the Chair.

3. The Chair shall be the IRCC Chairman and the Vice Chairman shall be decided by vote of the Committee members present and voting at a meeting. If the Chair is unable to carry out the duties of the office, the Vice-Chair shall act as the Chair with the same powers and duties.
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