
Information about issues of the IHO Council meeting

1 The 3rd IHO Council meeting

The IHO Council established by the 1st IHO Assembly in 2017 will have the meeting at the IHO Secretariat in Monaco from 15th to 17th October 2019. The meeting concludes a series of three annual Council meetings and mainly focusing preparation for the 2nd IHO Assembly on April 2020. The Assembly will announce a new Council (members) during plenary session of the IHO A-2.

2 Issues for the Council meeting

[The draft agenda](#) for the 3rd IHO Council meeting consist several agenda items that will be prepared as proposals to the 2nd IHO Assembly for approval. The Council meeting will discuss and consider following topics that may evoke interest of the member states of the BSHC:

- The proposal for the revised IHO strategy by SPRWG. Referring to the draft IHO Strategic Plan document ([.pdf](#)), the strategic goals with targets are visible in the Appendix A.
- Roadmap for the S-100 Implementation Decade (2020 – 2030) by IHO Sec., HSSC Chair and IRCC Chair ([.pdf](#)).
- Amendments to the IHO resolution 2/1997 by IRCC Chair ([.pdf](#)). A proposal for a substantive changes and updates to the resolution 2/1997 which defines guidelines or statues for regional cooperation when establishing or maintaining an Regional Commission.
- Worldwide Electronic Navigation Services (WENS) Drafting Group Progress Report by US and IRCC ([.pdf](#)). The Council is invited to report on this matter to the A-2.
- An "IHO Innovation and Technology Laboratory" to be established proposal by Singapore ([.pdf](#)).

3 The BSHC is invited to:

- a. **Note** this report
- b. **Discuss** about the Council meeting issues listed in this report
- c. **Discuss other issues** on the draft agenda, if deemed necessary
- d. **Take any other actions** as considered appropriate

Annex:

- A. Description of the goals and targets (with performance indicators) in the draft revised IHO Strategy.



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Annex A

Strategic Goal 1:

Evolving the hydrographic support for safety and efficiency of maritime navigation, undergoing profound transformation.

Targets for SG-1:

Target 1.1: Addresses the delivery of standardized, official data products and services for navigation (with three performance indicators).

Target 1.2: Focus on data assurance, i.e. the guarantee of quality, integrity and reliability of the data, which is of growing concern for data sharing and dissemination in the digital age (with two performance indicators).

Strategic Goal 2:

Increasing the use of hydrographic data for the benefit of society.

Targets for SG-2:

Target 2.1: Building on the accomplishment of the working group on marine spatial data infrastructure (MSDI) and by the IHO Secretariat, proposes to give more visibility to IHO in the field of MSDI, to strengthen coordination and cooperation (with one performance indicator).

Target 2.2: Addresses the need for new data gathering² to feed new applications of marine data (with two performance indicators).

Target 2.3: Stresses that data policy is a crucial framework for the activity of hydrographic offices. Although mainly shaped by national or regional regulations, it will take benefit from the effort of the international community to share principles in this field (with one performance indicator).

Strategic Goal 3:

Participating actively in international initiatives related to the knowledge and the sustainable use of the Ocean.

Targets for SG-3:

Target 3.1: Focus cooperation with other organization on capacity building and training (with one performance indicator).

Target 3.2: Takes into account the on-going or projected programmes for completing the knowledge of the seafloor (with two performance indicators).

Target 3.3: Highlights the digital strategy, for communication on the IHO and for facilitating access to the results of its work (with two performance indicators).

