

INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC ORGANIZATION MESO AMERICAN & CARIBBEAN SEA HYDROGRAPHIC COMMISSION



MACHC Letter 12/2015

Date, 3 July 2015

To: MACHC Members, Associate members and Observers

Subject: MACHC CAPACITY BUILDING WORK PROGRAMME: 2015/16

Dear Colleague,

The 13th Capacity Building Sub-Committee of the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO CBSC) met in Mexico City, Mexico on 27-29 May 2015, and reviewed its Management Plan containing all candidate bids for funding which had been received from RHC Chairmen. The following bids from MACHC were re-confirmed for 2015 and approved for 2016:

ADOPTED 2015 CB WORK PROGRAMME: MACHC	
EVENT	RESPONSIBLE
Phase 1 Skills Course (for Spanish Speakers) Venue: TBD	MACHC, CB Fund
Seminar on Raising Awareness of Hydrography for MACHC Associate and Non Members Complete	MACHC, CB Fund
Technical Aspects of Maritime Boundaries and Baselines Workshop Venue: Suriname, 10-14 August 2015	MACHC, CB Fund

ADOPTED 2016 CB WORK PROGRAMME: MACHC	
EVENT	RESPONSIBLE
Seminar on Raising Awareness of Hydrography for MACHC Associate and Non Members This activity will precede the 17 th MACHC meeting	MACHC, CB Fund
MSI and Hydro Governance Workshop	MACHC, CB Fund
Satellite Derived Bathymetry Workshop	MACHC, CB Fund
MSDI Workshop for Spanish Speakers Venue will be Mexico	MACHC, CB Fund

It should be noted that dates and venue for one 2015 event - the Phase 1 Skills course for Spanish Speakers - has not been determined as close interaction will be required with Hispanophone MACHC states. It is requested that consideration be given to the following questions and feedback be provided at the 16th MACHC Conference.

- Will you be willing to host the MSI and Hydro Governance Workshop?
- Will you be willing to host the Satellite Derived Bathymetry Workshop?

Early identification of venues will assist greatly in ensuring a successful outcome of these fully funded training opportunities as it will allow for invitations to be issued long in advance of the event. More notice will ensure that the most suitable candidates can be identified and all logistic arrangements be finalised in good time to allow better use of scarce learning opportunities and IHO Capacity Building funds.

It will be appreciated if receipt of this letter can be acknowledged to the MACHC CB coordinator, Mr. Jeff Bryant. You are most welcome to contact him if anything is unclear or if more time is required to respond to the questions.

Yours sincerely,

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