



MACHC Letter 02/2017

Date, 06 January 2017

To: Mr Thomas Dehling
Chair of the IHO Capacity Building Sub Committee

Subject: MACHC Capacity Building Projects
Reference: IHO CBSC Procedure 1

Dear Mr Thomas Dehling,

1. The Meso American and Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission, at its last meeting (Dec 2016, Belem, Brazil), considering the IHO CBSC guidelines, approved a new Capacity Building Plan for 2018-20 which follows as Annex **A** to this letter. As can be seen, the MACHC CB Plan considers the IHO Objectives and Strategic Directions, together with the peculiarities of the MACHC region. Therefore the derived projects focus on achieving these objectives and are not just desirable events.

2. According to the referred procedures, I submit to the IHO CBSC three projects to be carried out during 2018, which may be found at Annex **B**.

On behalf of the MACHC membership, can I take this opportunity to thank the IHO CBSC for their continued support to this Regional Hydrographic Commission and to say that I'm at your and the CBSC's disposal for further information if required.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman, Meso American & Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission

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Annexes:

- A) MACHC Capacity Building Plan
- B) 3 (three) CB Projects (PROC 1)
- C) 3 (three) supporting PROC 4's