

## Improved Data Exchange

The Nordic Working Group for Developing Improved Data Exchange through S-100 (IDEWG) delivered its final report to the 53<sup>rd</sup> NHC Meeting in 2009 [NHC/53/6.2A]. The Nordic countries have since then worked in accordance with the recommendations made by the working group [NHC/53/6.2B] reporting the status of implementation at every NHC-meeting.

- Implementation plan:

- If not already available then start to collect administrative information for the ENC Update Report 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 2009.
- Each country should on request be able to produce an ENC Update Report from the 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2009.
- Paper Charts should be based on the neighbouring countries ENC's according to the following time schedule.
  - Chart with scale larger than 1:150 000 completed 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2011.
  - Scale 1:150 000 – 1:400 000 completed 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2013.
  - Scale 1:400 000 – 1:750 000 completed 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2015.

### Time for a review

Sweden proposes that a review is made regarding the recommendations of the IDEWG in order to ensure that the recommended mechanisms and tools for improved data exchange are effective.

Sweden presented the recommendations to the IHO Chart Standardisation and Paper Chart Working Group, CSPCWG at the 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. A number of representatives were interested and Sweden promised to give a new presentation to the CSPCWG when the method was up and running. Other neighbouring nations within the Baltic Sea have also expressed interest and Sweden plans to give a presentation regarding the improved data exchange at the 16<sup>th</sup> BSHC meeting 2011. Since there is a wider interest in adopting the method of updating paper charts via ENC:s our experiences would be most valuable.

Sweden offers to compile and distribute a questionnaire to the NHC members focusing on the main issues.

1. Do the recommendations lead to improved data quality?
2. Do the recommendations lead to more efficient updating?
3. Do the current tools to support the improved data exchange meet the requirements
4. Are there suggestions for improvements?

Proposed time schedule:

- Sweden is to distribute the questionnaire to ENC Update Report Contact Persons and former working group members before 1 May 2011.
- Questionnaires are returned to Sweden before 13 May 2011.
- Preliminary results of the questionnaire are to be distributed to ENC Update Report Contact Persons and former working group members before 27 May 2011.
- Final results of the questionnaire are to be presented at NHC 56.