

HSSC OUTCOMES: Introduction

HSSC work is guided by the IHO Work Programme 2 “Hydrographic Services and Standards” and by the Council key Priorities

Meetings:

- HSSC 9 - Ottawa, Canada (6-10 November 2017)
- HSSC 10 - Rostock-Warnemünde, Germany (14-17 May 2018) – 6 month earlier due to the decision to adjust the timing of subsequent meetings in order to provide timely input to the IHO Council

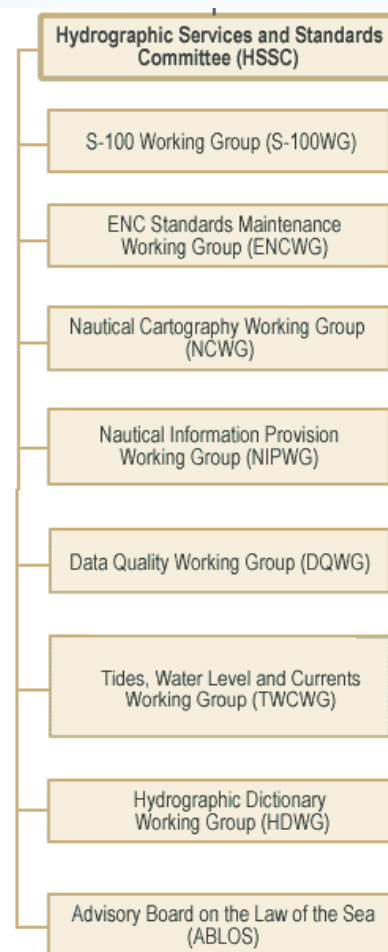
Next Meeting:

- HSSC 11 - Cape Town, South Africa (6-10 May 2019)



HSSC and Working Groups

Technical Programme; to develop, maintain and extend technical standards, specifications and guidelines that enable the provision of standardised products and services that meet the requirements of mariners and other users of hydrographic information.



Discussion – ToRs revision

- HSSC-10 endorsed the proposed amendments to the HSSC Terms of Reference with the aim that the TORs final version to be submitted to the Council for the subsequent adoption by A-2.
- Main amendments to the current HSSC TORs and ROPs reflect:
 - ✓ The presence and the role of the COUNCIL;
 - ✓ The possibility for the HSSC to decide on the need to go through the Council for recommendations on standards and publications before submitting them to Member States for approval.



Discussion – Resolution 2/2007

- HSSC initiated the revision of the IHO Resolution 2/2007 (**PRINCIPLES AND PROCEDURES FOR DEVELOPING IHO STANDARDS AND TO CONDUCT CHANGES**) in accordance with Decision A1/12 (guidance for impact assessment) and Action C1/05 (endorsement/approval procedure of standards listed in Appendix for instance);
- Two steps:
 1. Creation of “Guidance on conduction of an Impact Study” and identification of a new Review Cycle for WG/PT development phase of Product Specifications (approved at HSSC10);
 2. Development of the endorsement/approval procedure of the relevant standards taking into account the role of the Council in the approval process (Target HSSC11).



Discussion – Key Priorities

- Develop an S-100 Interoperability Specification;
- Develop S-121 Product Spec for Maritime Limits and Boundaries;
- Develop all the components needed to make S-101 a reality;
- Consolidation and clarification of standards in relation to ECDIS/ENC;
- Prepare Ed. 6.0.0 of S-44;
- Consider data quality aspects in an appropriate and harmonized way for all S-100 based product spec;
- Develop initial guidance on definition and harmonization of Maritime Service Portfolios.

