

Submissions to the Capacity Building Committee

In the IHO, capacity building is defined as the process by which the organisation assesses the status of current arrangements of, and assistance given to States to achieve sustainable development and improvement in their ability to meet hydrographic, cartographic and maritime safety obligations with particular reference to UNCLOS, SOLAS, and other international instruments.

The IHO Capacity Building Committee operates a Capacity Building Fund to support initiatives within the RHCs. From the BSHC the member states Latvia (Vice-Chairman) and Germany are represented in the CBC. The current management plan of the CBC includes from BSHC the project "Workshop on Port and Shallow Water surveys, S44" scheduled for 2009 (see attached document).

Germany suggests

- to discuss at the Conference whether BSHC shall apply for assistance from the CBF in general taking into account the need of each countries and other means of support within the region;
- to decide whether to hold the workshop mentioned in the attachment and whether to apply for assistance in this case.



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6th Meeting of the IHO CBC
Approvals of Projects submitted by the Baltic Sea Hydrographic Commission

THIS LETTER REQUIRES YOUR ACTION

Dear Chairman,

1. The IHO CBC met at the IHB, Monaco, from 27 to 29 May 2008 and reviewed its Management Plan containing all the submissions of projects requesting funding received from the RHCs Chairmen, as well as those included in the IHO 2008/2012 Work Programme. The Committee noted that there was no initiative included in the original Work Programme for 2008 or at a later stage coming from your region.
2. The approved 2009 Work Programme can be found in the IHO website (www.iho.int under Committees >>> CBC >>>> Miscellaneous>>> CBC Basic Documents) and includes:

Year	Project	Allocation/Comment
2009 APPROVED	Workshop on Port and Shallow Water surveys, S-44	€ 5k to support travel and subsistence of participants. The Chairman is requested to confirm this activity and to provide details to the CBC Chairman. In case the activity is confirmed, the Chairman shall coordinate the details of the execution of this activity not exceeding the allocation made.

3. The CBC Chairman would be grateful to receive your comments, if any..

On behalf of the IHO Capacity Building Committee
Yours sincerely

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