

13th CHRIS MEETING
17-19 September 2001, Athens, Greece

THE 12TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE OF THE HYDROGRAPHIC SOCIETY
NORWICH, UNITED KINGDOM
27TH -29TH MARCH 2001
(Neil Guy)

The Conference was held at the University of East Anglia Norwich and was accompanied by a technical exhibition. The Conference covered a wide range of hydrographic data applications. RAdm Neil GUY represented the IHB and presented a paper on the international efforts to improve the provision of maritime safety information particularly in developing States in Group1 'The Future of Hydrography'.

There were eleven sessions as follows

Group 1	Future of Hydrography
Group2	Automated Underwater Vehicles
Group 3	Electronic Charting
Group 4	Bathymetric Applications
Group 5	Coastal Protection/Erosion
Group6	Laser Bathymetry
Group 7	Swathe Bathymetry
Group 8	Positioning
Group 9	The Cable Industry
Group10	Geographic Information Systems
Group11	Data Management.

In addition a number of Workshops were held during the Conference on:

- 'Airborne Lidar Hydrography-Theory and Applications'
- 'Electronic Charting and Publication Service' and
- 'New HYDROpro and GPS integration'

It is unfortunate that very few Hydrographic Offices were able to be represented at the Conference which had excellent papers, discussions and exhibits.