

**8th MEETING OF THE IHO MARINE SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURES
WORKING GROUP (IHO-MSDIWG8)**

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INPUT FROM THE NETHERLANDS TO MSDIWG8

1. MSDI Task A, Identify and promote national and regional best practices. I would like to draw your attention to the following:

Mrs. Frederika Welle Donker (TU Delft, Architecture and the Built Environment Netherlands), PhD made a magnificent academic study with the title: "From Access to Re-use: a User's Perspective on Public Sector Information Availability". This extensive piece of work on Public Sector Geo-Information (mostly land based) deals with many aspects of SDI (legal frameworks, business models, etcetera) and Open Data. INSPIRE and other policies are listed and many documented case studies have been analyzed in an international context.

Document available at:

<http://abe.tudelft.nl/index.php/faculty-architecture/article/view/welle-donker/1481>

2. MSDI Task B, Assess the existing and new standards in the provision of marine components of spatial data infrastructures, I would like to draw your attention to the following:

In preparation of the S-100WG in our office, we noticed that there will be no input from the MSDIWG. In our office we consider the link between the S-100 developments and MSDI developments very important. We are glad that the OGC Marine Domain WG is connecting developments within the OGC realm. Within the IHO realm, the formal distance between the S-100WG and the MSDIWG is rather long (through the lines of HSSC and IRCC). Please consider whether you think it is fruitful to find if there are possibilities to liaise closer with the S-100WG, for example by reporting to the group as do other groups.

3. MSDI Task D, Facilitate MSDI communication, I would like to draw your attention to the following:

The Netherlands joined/supported the initiative (Proposal 7 for consideration by the 1st IHO Assembly) by the USA on "National Hydrographic Office implications regarding the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) Share Guiding Principles for Geospatial Information Management":
http://www.iho.int/mtg_docs/conf/19IHC2017/letters/ACL10e.pdf

We would like to encourage the MSDIWG Member States to help prepare this initiative (to be discussed in April 2017 at the First IHO Assembly) within their national HO's, and use this opportunity to bring MSDI to the footlight of their internal organization.

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