

**WG ON THE REVISION OF SPECIAL PUBLICATION 23  
“LIMITS OF OCEANS AND SEAS” (S-23 WG)  
First Meeting, Monaco, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2009**

*As agreed by the 1<sup>st</sup> S-23 WG Meeting*

**Terms of Reference**

**The S-23 WG shall:**

- 1.1 Produce a revised draft 4<sup>th</sup> edition of Special Publication S-23, Limits of Oceans and Seas, making use of :
  - a) the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of S-23 (1953);
  - b) the work that has been done in the past years;
  - c) the positions and comments expressed by States in response to CL 78/2008,
  - d) other views that may come forward during the deliberations of the WG;
  - e) the UNGEGN publication “Standardization of Geographical Names” and IHO publication M-4 (Section B-500); and
  - f) any other documents or material that may be considered appropriate.
- 1.2 Submit it together with a Report of the work of the WG to the IHB no later than June 2011, for the subsequent approval of Member States.

**Rules of Procedure**

- 2.1 Participation in the WG is open to all Member States;
- 2.2 The Chair and Vice-Chair shall be elected by the Members of the WG;
- 2.3 The IHB will provide secretarial support;
- 2.4 The WG should work primarily by correspondence. Face-to-face meetings may be arranged if considered necessary by the WG;
- 2.5 If needed, experts can be invited to participate with the agreement of the Members of the WG;
- 2.6 Decisions should generally be made by consensus.

**Note:** The IHB, under the guidance of the Chair, shall open a section on the IHO website where the List of Members of the WG as well as all the working documents will be posted.