

**To ARHC Members, Associate Members and IHO representatives**

**Division**  
Danish Hydrographic Office

**Date**  
18 November 2016

**Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission – Invitation to the 7<sup>th</sup> ARHC  
Conference in Ilulissat 22- 24 August 2017**

Dear ARHC Colleagues. It is my pleasure to invite you to the 7<sup>th</sup> conference of the Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission. The conference will take place in Ilulissat in Greenland August 22 - 24, 2017.

A block reservation has been made for the period 21 to 25 August (4 nights), at the conference hotel. If you want to use the conference hotel you have to send your binding reservation to Trine Vinther Schmidt in GST (mail to: [trvin@gst.dk](mailto:trvin@gst.dk)) before May 25, 2017. You have to pay for the room when you are in Ilulissat. We have a reservation for the following 25 rooms at the conference hotel; 7 Puiasi, 8 Qajaq, 2 Qajaq Suite, 1 Umiaq, 2 Umiaq Deluxe, 4 Umiaq Suite, 1 Puiasi Suite. See <http://hotelarctic.com/vaerelser/vaerelser/> for room description and prices. The rooms will be allocated on first-come.

You can travel to Ilulissat via Iceland or Copenhagen. It is high season in Ilulissat in August so; remember to book your flights well in advance.

The conference will start on August 22, with an open session forum, where regional users and experts will present topics related to arctic hydrography. A draft programme for the Open Forum will be published before the conference.

The ordinary ARHC conference will take place August 23 - 24, in accordance with the statutes of the ARHC. A draft agenda is attached to this invitation. You are invited to propose additional agenda items, preferably no later than August 2, 2017.

A registration form is attached below in annex A. It is to be completed by each participant and forwarded before May, 24, 2017 to Trine Vinther Schmidt in GST ([trvin@gst.dk](mailto:trvin@gst.dk)) with a copy to Jens Peter Hartmann ([jepha@gst.dk](mailto:jepha@gst.dk)) and Yves Guillam ([yves.guillam@iho.int](mailto:yves.guillam@iho.int)),

The event will take place at Hotel Arctic in Ilulissat, Greenland.

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## A Draft Overview of the Program for the ARHC 7 Conference

	Tuesday 22 August	Wednesday 23 August	Thursday 24 August
<b>Morning</b> 09.00 - 12.30	Open Forum	The ARHC 7 conference commences	The ARHC 7 conference continues
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
<b>Afternoon</b> 13.30 - 1700	Open Forum	The ARHC 7 conference continues	The ARHC 7 conference continues
<b>Evening</b> 19.00 ~ 2100	Ice breaker meeting.	ARHC 7 Dinner	


A draft agenda is attached as the document ARHC /7/1A. Please forward proposals and/or comments to the Agenda no later than 2 August 2017.

### Documents of the meeting

You are kindly asked to deliver your **National report** and **other documents** such as Explanatory notes, reports etc. to Jens Peter Hartmann [jepha@gst.dk](mailto:jepha@gst.dk) and Yves Guillam ([yves.guillam@iho.int](mailto:yves.guillam@iho.int)), no later than **2 August 2017**.

You are all warmly welcome to the meeting in Ilulissat.

Best regards



Pia Dahl Højgaard  
Chairman of the ARHC

Attachments:  
Annex A. Registration form

**Annex A**  
**ARHC 7 Registration Form**

**Registration Form for the 7<sup>th</sup> ARHC Conference**

**22-24 August 2017, Ilulissat, Greenland**

	<b>Information about participants</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>Country:</b>		
<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>E-mail:</b>		
<b>Phone (mobile if available):</b>		
<b>Arrival:</b> Date: Time: Flight:		
<b>Departure:</b> Date: Time: Flight:		
<b>Hotel:</b> Reservation from/to:		
<b>Hotel:</b> Preferred room: Alternative room:		
<b>Special dietary requirements:</b>		
<b>Comments, if any:</b>		
<b>Date:</b>		

Please forward to Trine Vinther Schmidt (trvin@gst.dk) with a copy to Jens Peter Hartmann (jepha@gst.dk) and Yves Guillam (yves.guillam@iho.int), before May 24, 2017.



## Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission

### Draft Agenda, Version 0.1

For the 7<sup>th</sup> Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission Conference

22-24 August 2017, Ilulissat, Greenland

*[with references to expected documents]*

[Version 0.1, 18 November 2016]

<b>Tuesday 22 August</b>		
0900 - 1230	Open Forum meeting	
1230 - 1330	Lunch	
1330 -1700	Open Forum meeting continues	
1900 - 2100	Icebreaker meeting	

<b>Wednesday 23 August</b>	<b>A. Opening Formalities</b>	
0900 - 1030	<b>Session 1</b>	
	A.1 Opening of Conference <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7 participants - ARHC7 List of Documents	Chair
	A.2 Welcome from the host country <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7_A2_ARHC7Program	Host
	A.3 Adoption of the Agenda <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7_A3_DraftAgenda	Chair
	A.4 Minutes and actions from ARHC6 <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7_A4a_ARHC6 Final Minutes	Chair

	- <i>ARHC7_A4b_Status of ARHC6 List of Actions</i>	
	A.5 Minutes and actions from Special ARHC 3 meeting <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_A5_Special ARHC3 Final Minutes</i>	Chair
	<b>B. IHO Work Programme 1 - "Corporate affairs"</b>	
	B.1 Report from the IHO <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B1_IHO_Report to ARHC</i>	IHO
<b>1030 – 1050</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>1050 – 1230</b>	<b>Session 2</b>	
	B.2 National Report of Canada <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B2_DK_National Report Canada</i>	Canada
	B.3 National Report of Denmark <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B3_DK_National Report Denmark</i>	Denmark
	B.4 National Report of Norway <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B4_NO_National Report Norway</i>	Norway
	B.5 National Report of Russian Federation <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B5_RF_National report Russian Federation</i>	Russian Federation
	B.6 National Report of United States of America <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B6_RF_National report United States of America</i>	United States of America
	B.7 National Report of Finland <i>Docs:</i> - <i>ARHC7_B7_FI_National Report Finland</i>	Finland
	B.8 National Report of Iceland	Iceland

	<i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7_B8_IC_National Report Iceland	
<b>1230 - 1330</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>1330 - 1500</b>	<b>Session 3</b>	
	B.9 Contribution to the preparation of the IHO Council <i>Docs:</i> <i>Documents expected</i>	IHO/all
	B.10 ARHC representation in the Council. <i>Docs:</i> <i>Documents expected</i>	IHO/all
	<b>C. IHO Work Programme 2 - "Hydrographic Services and Standards"</b>	
	C.1 Operational and Technical Working Group Report <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7_C1_OTWG report	United States of America
	C.2 Arctic International Charting Coordination Working Group Report <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7-C2a_AICCWG report - ARHC7-C2b_Presentation-AICCWG Status - ARHC7-C2c_Arctic_Nautical_Charting_Plan	Norway
<b>1500 - 1520</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>1520 - 1700</b>	<b>Session 4</b>	
	C.3 Arctic - Marine Spatial Data Infrastructure Working Group Report <i>Docs:</i> - ARHC7-C3a_Arctic MSDIWG report NGA - ARHC7-C3b_IHO MSDIWG report Denmark	United States of America/Denmark
	C.4 Outreach-Arctic Council/PAME/ARHC Report <i>Docs:</i> <i>Documents expected</i>	Chair

	<i>C.5 Outcome of WENDWG</i> <i>Docs:</i> <i>Documents expected</i>	All
	<i>[Additional topics expected]</i>	All
<b>1900</b>	<b>Dinner</b>	

<b>Thursday 24 August</b>	<b>D. IHO Work Programme 3 - "Inter Regional Coordination and Support"</b>	
<b>0900 - 1030</b>	<b>Session 5</b>	
	D.1 Outcome of IRCC9 meeting <i>Docs:</i> <i>- ARHC7_D1_IHO_IRCC9 Report/Actions</i>	IHO/All
	D.2 Outcome of HSSC8 meeting <i>Docs:</i> <i>- ARHC7_D2_IHO_HSSC8 Report/Actions?</i>	IHO/All
	D.3 Status of IHO-EUNetwork <i>Docs:</i> <i>- ARHC7_D3_DK Report of IHO-EUNetwork</i>	Denmark
	D.4 Information Papers <i>Docs:</i> <i>Documents expected</i>	All
<b>1030 – 1045</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	
<b>1045 – 1245</b>	<b>Session 6</b>	
	D.5 Capacity building <i>Oral reports on any ongoing activity/cooperation with CBSC etc</i>	All
	D.6 Any issues for IRCC10 and HSSC 9	All

<b>1230 -1330</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>1330 – 1500</b>	<b>Session 7</b>	
	<b>E. Any other business</b>	All
	<b>F. Election of new Chair and Vice-Chair</b>	All
	<b>G. Place and date of the next ARHC8 Conference</b>	All
	<b>H. Review of NHC61 List of actions</b>	Chair
	<i>Docs: - ARHC7_List of Actions</i>	
	<b>I. Closing the Conference</b>	Chair
<b>1500 – 1530</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>	