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**MBSHC LETTER N° 02/2019**

**Object:** 21st Conference of Mediterranean and Black Seas Hydrographic Commission (MSBHC)  
- Call for proposals to Draft Agenda

**Reference:** MBSHC Letter N° 1/2019 - 21st Conference of Mediterranean and Black Seas  
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**Annex:** Draft Agenda of the 21st Conference of MBSHC

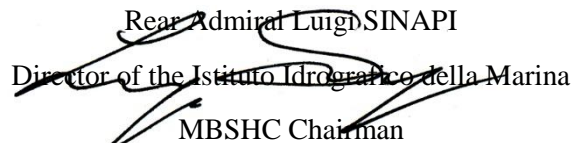
Dear Colleagues,

As Chairman of this Commission, with the letter in reference I was pleased to announce that the **21st Conference of Mediterranean and Black Seas Hydrographic Commission (MSBHC)** will take place in Cadiz (Spain) from **11 to 13 of June 2019** in accordance with action MBSHC20/28.

The **draft agenda of the meeting is provided in annex**. I would like to invite you to contribute with your suggested topics and proposals not later than the **20th of March 2019** in order to allow the dissemination of the agenda in due time.

Taking this opportunity it is kindly requested that the Members States and Observers confirm their participation to the meeting as soon as possible using the registration form provided on MBSHC21 webpage of the IHO web site.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon.

Rear Admiral Luigi SINAPI  
  
Director of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina  
MBSHC Chairman

**21<sup>st</sup> Conference of the Mediterranean and Black Seas Hydrographic Commission (MBSHC)  
11 - 13 June 2019, Cádiz, España (Spain)**

**Draft Provisional Agenda & Timetable**

<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>Monday 10 June 2019</b>
<b>20:00 – 21:30</b>	<b>Ice-Breaker at the terrace, Hotel Playa Victoria (business casual) to be confirmed</b>
<b>Time Frame</b>	<b>DAY 1 : Tuesday 11 June 2019</b>
<b>08:30 – 09:00</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>09:00-10:30</b>	<p><b>1. Opening and Administrative Arrangements</b></p> <p><b>1.1 Opening Address (Chair, IHM Director, IHO Director)</b></p> <p><b>1.2 Administrative Arrangements</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-01.2B List of Participants (Chair)</i>  <i>MBSHC21-01.2A List of Documents (Chair)</i></p> <p><b>2. Approval of the Agenda</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-2A Agenda and Timetable (Chair)</i></p> <p><b>3. MBSHC Administration</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Chair's report</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-03.1 Chair's report (Chair)</i></p> <p><b>3.2 Matters arising from Minutes of 20<sup>th</sup> MBSHC Meeting</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-03.2A Minutes of MBSHC20 (Chair)</i>  <i>MBSHC21-03.2B Status Report on the MBSHC20 Action List (Chair)</i></p> <p><i>A review of the MBSHC20 actions and decisions by the MBSHC Chair/MBSHC Secretariat.</i></p>
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11:00-12:30</b>	<p><b>3.3 Review of MBSHC Statutes</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-03.3 Revised version of MBSHC Statutes (Chair)</i></p> <p><i>The MBSHC Chair will introduce proposed changes to the MBSHC Statutes to be considered.</i></p> <p><b>4. IHO Work Programme 1– “Corporate affairs”</b></p> <p><b>4.1 General update on IHO activities that may affect MBSHC</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-04.1 IHO Secretariat's Report (Secretary)</i></p> <p><i>The IHO Secretariat will report on the main activities since the last MBSHC</i></p>

	<p>Conference.</p> <p><b>4.2 Information Management (IHO web site, ENC Catalogue, INTogIS II, etc.)</b></p> <p><i>The IHO Secretariat will report on the developments regarding the IHO Information Management system, and the new IHO website (to be confirmed).</i></p>
<b>12:30-12:40</b>	<b>Group Photo</b>
<b>12:40-14:10</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>14:10-14:40</b>	<p><b>5. IHO Work Programme 2– “Hydrographic Services and Standards”</b></p> <p><b>5.1 HSSC Activities that may affect MBSHC (HSSC Chair)</b></p> <p><i>The HSSC Chair, supported by the IHO Secretariat will provide a short overview of HSSC activities and report on the outcomes of the last HSSC meeting.</i></p>
<b>14:40-15:30</b>	<p><b>6. IHO Work Programme 3– “Inter-Regional Coordination and Support”</b></p> <p><b>6.1 Inter-Regional Coordination Committee (IRCC)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.1B Overview of MBSHC report to IRCC11 (Chair)</i>  <i>MBSHC21-06.1A IRCC11 Main Outcome that may affect MBSHC (Chair)</i></p> <p><b>6.2 Cooperation with Member States</b></p> <p><b>6.2.1 IHO Membership</b></p> <p><i>The IHO Secretariat will provide an overview on the status of IHO Membership within the region.</i></p> <p><b>6.2.2 National Reports</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.2.2.X National Report</i></p> <p>Each Member State will be invited to provide a ~ 5 minutes verbal or ppt presentation emphasizing on the main inputs of its national report, and highlight Actions to be considered by MBSHC, if any.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Algeria</li> <li>b) Bulgaria</li> <li>c) Croatia</li> <li>d) Cyprus</li> <li>e) Egypt</li> <li>f) France</li> <li>g) Georgia</li> <li>h) Greece</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Israel</li> <li>j) Italy</li> <li>k) Lebanon</li> <li>l) Malta</li> <li>m) Monaco</li> <li>n) Montenegro</li> <li>o) Morocco</li> <li>p) Romania</li> <li>q) Russian Federation</li> <li>r) Serbia</li> <li>s) Slovenia</li> <li>t) Spain</li> <li>u) Syria</li> <li>v) Tunisia</li> <li>w) Turkey</li> <li>x) Ukraine</li> </ul>
<b>15:30-16:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>16:00-17:00</b>	<b>6.2.2 National Reports (Cont'd)</b>
<b>17:00-17:45</b>	<b>Industry Presentations (tbc – speaker order and presentation title to be defined)</b> <i>ESRI – Presentation (To be confirmed)</i> <i>Teledyne-Caris – Presentation (To be confirmed)</i> <i>Kongsberg – Presentation (To be confirmed)</i>
<b>18:00</b>	<b>End of DAY 1 Session</b>

Time Frame	DAY 2 : Wednesday, 12 June 2019
09:00-09:30	6.2.2 National Reports (Cont'd)
09:30-10:30	<p><b>4. IHO Work Programme 1– “Corporate affairs” (Cont'd)</b></p> <p><b>4.3 Cooperation with European Union (EU)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-04.3 IHO-EU Network WG Report (IENWG)</i>  <i>Greece (tbc) will report on the IENWG activities since the last conference.</i></p> <p><b>4.4 Cooperation with the Mediterranean Science Commission (CIESM)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-04.4 CIESM Activities that may affect MBSHC (CIESM) (to be confirmed).</i></p> <p><b>4.5 Cooperation with Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-04.5 IOC general activities that may affect MBSHC and NEAMTWS developments (IOC) (to be confirmed)</i>  <i>An overview on NEAM Tsunami Warning Services developments with a focus on the MBSHC region.</i></p> <p><b>4.6 Cooperation with International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-04.6 IALA Activities that may affect MBSHC (IALA)</i>  <i>A presentation of IALA capacity building activities within the MBSHC region (to be confirmed).</i></p> <p><b>4.7 Mediterranean Initiatives relevant to the Commission</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-4.7 Mediterranean Initiatives in Marine Environmental protection and Blue Economy activities.</i>  <i>XXX will provide an overview on the Mediterranean Initiatives in Marine Environmental protection and Blue Economy activities.</i></p>
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break
11:00-12:30	<p><b>3. MBSHC Administration (Cont'd)</b></p> <p><b>3.4 Outcome of the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the IHO Council (C-2) and Preparation of C-3 and A-2 (Chair/IHO Director)</b>  <i>The MBSHC Chair and IHO Director will provide a verbal report with an overview on the outcome of C-2 and main milestones for the MBSHC for the preparation of C-3 and A-2.</i></p>

	<p><b>3.5 Black and Azov Seas Working Group – BASWG</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-03.5 Report of BASWG (Chair)</i></p> <p><i>The BASWG Chair will report on the activities of BASWG since MBSHC20.</i></p> <p><b>6. IHO Work Programme 3 – “Inter-Regional Coordination and Support”</b></p> <p><b>6.3 WEND Principles and Governance</b></p> <p><b>6.3.1 Activities of WENDWG</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-6.3.1A WENDWG9 Outcome, and Actions and Decisions that may affect MBSHC</i></p> <p><i>France will report on the outcomes of the 9<sup>th</sup> WENDWG meeting that was held in Brest, France, in February 2019.</i></p> <p><b>6.3.2 Regional ENC Coordination Centre (RENCs) Operations</b></p> <p><i>IC-ENC and PRIMAR will provide a joint presentation of their activities since MBSHC20, and of the evolution of their strategies, if any.</i></p>
<b>12:30-14:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>14:00-14:30</b>	<p><b>6. IHO WP3 – “Inter-Regional Coordination and Support” (Cont’d)</b></p> <p><b>6.4 Coordination of Global Surveying and Charting</b></p> <p>6.4.1 Hydrographic survey status in the MBSHC area</p> <p><i>Spain will report on the status of hydrographic surveys in the MBSHC area.</i></p>
	<b>Interruption Plenary Session</b>
<b>14:30-16:15</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> International Chart Coordination Working Group (ICCWG) Meeting (Dedicated agenda and timetable to be provided)</b>
<b>16:15-16:30</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
	<b>Back to Plenary Session</b>
<b>16:30-17:30</b>	<p><b>6. IHO WP3 – “Inter-Regional Coordination and Support” (Cont’d)</b></p> <p><b>6.4 Coordination of Global Surveying and Charting</b></p> <p>6.4.2 Region F ICCWG Activities-MEDINTCHART Catalogue (INT Charts and ENCs)</p> <p><i>France will provide the recommendations and the outcome from the ICCWG5 side-meeting alongside MBSHC21, for decision-making.</i></p>
<b>17:30</b>	<b>End of DAY 2 Session</b>
<b>19:00-21:30</b>	<b>Hosted Conference Dinner (to be confirmed)</b>

DAY 3 : Thursday, 13 June 2019	
<b>09:00-10:30</b>	<p><b>6. IHO WP3 – “Inter-Regional Coordination and Support” (Cont’d)</b></p> <p><b>6.5 Maritime Safety Information (MSI)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.6 Report of NAVAREA III</i></p> <p><i>The NAVAREA III Coordinator will report on the MSI activities and developments within the MBSHC region.</i></p> <p><b>6.6 Maritime Spatial Data Infrastructure (MSDI)</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.7 Report of MSDIWG</i></p> <p><i>Italy, supported by other MBSHC Members of the MSDIWG, will report on the activities of the MSDIWG.</i></p> <p><b>6.7 Capacity Building</b></p> <p><b>6.7.1 Capacity Building activities within MBSHC</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.7.1 MBSHC Report to CBSC17</i></p> <p><i>The Regional CB Coordinator (Turkey) will report on the outcomes of CBSC17 and the past CB activities within the MBSHC region.</i></p>
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11:00-11:45</b>	<p><b>6.7 Capacity Building (Cont’d)</b></p> <p><b>6.7.2 MBSHC Three-year Capacity Building Work Plan</b>  <i>Docs: MBSHC21-06.7.2 3-year MBSHC CB Plan</i></p> <p><i>The Regional CB Coordinator will present the 3 years CB work plan for the 2019-2021 period.</i></p> <p><b>6.8 GEBCO/Seabed 2030 Project/Crowd-Source Bathymetry Activities</b></p> <p><i>The IHO Secretariat will provide an overview on the latest developments of GEBCO/Seabed 2030 Project and Crowd-Source Bathymetry activities</i></p>
<b>11:45-13:00</b>	<p><b>7. Any Other Business</b></p> <p><b>8. Closure</b></p> <p><b>8.1 Date and Venue of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p><b>8.2 Review of Actions, Decisions and Recommendations</b></p> <p><b>8.3 Designation/Transfer of the Chairmanship</b></p> <p><b>8.4 Closing Remarks (End of Conference)</b></p>

13:00

End of the MBSHC21 Conference