

GEBCO Meetings held at Tokyo, Japan



The GEBCO Guiding Committee, Sub-Committee on Digital Bathymetry(SCDB) and Nippon Foundation/GEBCO Training Project Management Committee held at the offices of the Japan Coast Guard in Tokyo, Japan from 26th - 30th May 2008.

GEBCO's aim is to provide the most authoritative publicly-available bathymetry of the world's oceans. It operates under the joint auspices of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) (of UNESCO) and the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO).

The Guiding Committee was aimed at to direct GEBCO's work and the Sub-Committee on Digital Bathymetry **also supports GEBCO's work. GEBCO Training Project Management Committee operates GEBCO's training project to train a new generation of younger scientists and hydrographers in ocean mapping funded by the Nippon Foundation, based in Tokyo, Japan.**

Key participants are as follows:

Guiding Committee:

Mr. David Monahan [Chairman] (Canada)

Prof. Bob Whitmarsh[Permanent Secretary] (UK)

Dr. Christopher Fox (USA)

Dr. Nataliya Turko (Russia)

Dr. Kunio Yashima (Japan)

Dr. Juan Brown(UK):

Commander Paulo Lusiani (Italy)

Mr. Jose Luis FRIAS Salazar (Mexico)

SCDB:

Dr. Walter H.F. Smith [Chairman] (USA)

Dr Hans-Werner Schenke (GERMANY)

Mr. Norman Z. CHERKIS (USA)

Mr. Shin Tani (Japan)