

East Asia Hydrographic Commission Capacity Building Committee (EAHC CBC)

Background

At the 9th EAHC Conference held in September 2006, the EAHC recognized the need for professional training to bridge the gap between technological advances and basic qualifications among EAHC Member States. A permanent EAHC CBC was formed to identify the capacity building needs for the region.

Objective

To assist the EAHC to coordinate capacity building plans, including the effective liaison with the IHO CBC.

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The TORs for the Committee are as follows:

1. To conduct a gap analysis of arrangements for hydrographic services within EAHC, using the information in S-55 and standard national reports.
2. To monitor the S-55 information and to encourage the update of S-55 of the EAHC member states.
3. To encourage the preparation and update of S-55 information of non-member states in the region.
4. To assist MS in which gaps exist to identify their requirements for training, training materials, field experience, expert advice, and provision of equipment in the area of hydrography, marine cartography and oceanography.
5. To produce an over-view of ongoing bilateral and multi-lateral capacity building programmes in the region, highlighting those requirements which will not be covered by these arrangements.
6. To produce an EAHC CB Management Plan with which to coordinate future regional planning, including the promotion of awareness of the importance of hydrography within the governments of regional states.
7. To identify, within EAHC, available subject experts for training and advisory work and opportunities for field experience.
8. To liaise with international, regional and national agencies that can provide funding support for capacity building.
9. To identify requirements that cannot be met from within the resources of EAHC, and to prepare submissions to the IHOCBC, including inputs for CB components of

the IHO 5-year plan (WP2).

10. To assist the chairman of EAHC with the analysis of reports arising from activities in region which have been funded by IHO CBC, the identification of follow-up action, and feedback to the IHO CBC.

Membership/Chairmanship

Membership is open to all EAHC Member States. Chairmanship of the Committee, and representation at the IHO CBC, will be the Chair of the EAHC.

Reference: Resolution No.4 of the 9th EAHC Conference [September 2006]