

18th HSSC Meeting

18-22 May 2026, Gdansk, Poland

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Monday 18 May	HSSC-18 PREPARATION and HSSC-18 CHAIR GROUP MEETINGS
1000 - 1200	<i>Preparation Meeting – Closed Session (Host, HSSC Chair/Secretariat only)</i>
1400-1600	<i>HSSC Chair Group Meeting – Closed Session (Chair/Vice-Chair of HSSC, Chairs of HSSC Working Groups (WGs) and Project Teams (PTs), Secretary and Assistant Secretary of HSSC only)</i>

Tuesday 19 May	HSSC-18 – PLENARY SESSION 1
0900 - 0920	Opening Ceremony and Welcome Address
0920 - 0925	<p>1. Opening and Administrative Arrangements</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-01A <i>List of Documents (IHO Sec.)</i></p> <p> HSSC18-01B <i>List of Participants (IHO Sec.)</i></p> <p> HSSC18-01C <i>HSSC Membership List (IHO Sec.)</i></p> <p> HSSC18-01D <i>TORs for HSSC and related WG/PTs (IHO Sec.)</i></p>

0925 - 0930	<p>2. Approval of Agenda</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-02A <i>Agenda and Timetable (IHO Sec.)</i></p>
0930 - 1000	<p>3. Matters arising from previous Meeting</p> <p>3.1 17th HSSC Meeting (May 2025 – Stavanger, Norway)</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-03A <i>HSSC-17 Action List Status Update (IHO Sec.)</i></p> <p>3.2 9th IHO Council & 4th IHO Assembly outcomes affecting HSSC</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-03B <i>General overview of the outcome of C-9 and A-4 affecting HSSC (HSSC Chair/Secretary)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-03C <i>C-9 Summary Report</i></p> <p>HSSC18-03D <i>A-4 List of Decisions & Actions</i></p> <p><i>Pending actions to be considered under relevant agenda items in general.</i></p>
1000-1030	<p>4. HSSC Administration</p> <p>4.1 IHO Strategic Plan & Performance Indicators</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-04.1A <i>Implementation of the IHO Strategic Plan 2020 - 2026, Strategic Performance Indicators allocated to HSSC. Report (HSSC Vice-Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-04.1B <i>2027 – 2029 IHO Strategic Plan - Proposed Strategic Performance Indicators allocation to HSSC (HSSC Vice-Chair)</i></p> <p>4.2 Joint HSSC/IRCC Restructure Project Team (JHIRPT)</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-04.2A <i>Joint HSSC/IRCC Restructuring Project Team – status update (JHIRPT Chair)</i></p> <p>4.3 S-100 Infrastructure Centre Establishment Project Team (ICE PT)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-04.3A <i>Report and Recommendations of the ICE PT (ICE PT Chair)</i></p> <p>4.4 S-100 Security Scheme (S-100 SS PT)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-04.4A <i>Report and Recommendations of the SS PT (SS PT Chair)</i></p>
1030 - 1100	Group Photo - Coffee Break
1100 - 1200	4. HSSC Administration (Cont.)
1200 - 1300	Lunch Break



Tuesday 19 May	HSSC-18 – PLENARY SESSION 2
1300 - 1500	5. Reports by HSSC Working Groups and Project Teams
	<p>5.1 S-100 (S-100WG)</p> <p><i>Docs:</i> HSSC18-05.1A <i>Report and Recommendations of S-100WG (S-100WG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Aa <i>Proposed S-98 Edition 3.0.0 (S-100WG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Ab <i>Proposed S-97 Edition 2.0.0 (S-100WG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Ac <i>Proposed S-164 Edition 2.0.0 (S-100WG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1B <i>Comments on the S-100WG Report (AU/CA/NZ/UK)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1C <i>Report of the S-101 Project Team (S-101PT Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Ca <i>Proposed S-101 Edition 2.1.0 (S-100WG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1D <i>Report of the S-124 Project Team (S-124PT Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1E <i>Report of ISO 9001 Cell Report (HSSC Vice-Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1F <i>Lessons Learned from Past/Current IHO S-100 Sea Trail Area Initiatives (HSSC Vice-Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Fa <i>St. Lawrence River IHO S-100 Sea Trail Area (CA)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Fb <i>Torres Strait's IHO S-100 Sea Trail Area (AU)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.1Fc <i>Joint UK-FR Channel IHO S-100 Sea Trail Area (UK)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-10C <i>[INFO] A Technically Implemented Approach in Mitigating the Overlapping Issue (Türkiye)</i></p>
1500 - 1530	Coffee Break
1530 - 1700	5. Reports by HSSC Working Groups and Project Teams (cont.)
1600	<p>5.2 ENC Standards Maintenance (ENCWG)</p> <p><i>Doc:</i> HSSC18-05.2A <i>Report and Recommendations of ENCWG (ENCWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.2B <i>Proposed S-63 Edition 1.2.2 (ENCWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.2C <i>Proposed S-58 Edition 9.0.0 (ENCWG Chair)</i></p>
1700	END OF HSSC-18 DAY 1

Wednesday 20 May	HSSC-18 PLENARY SESSION 3
0900 - 1030	5. Reports by HSSC Working Groups and Project Teams (cont.)
0900	<p>5.3 Hydrographic Surveys Working Group (HSWG)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.3A <i>Report and Recommendations of the HSWG (HSWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.3B <i>C-13 Alternative Product & Publication (HSWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.3C <i>Proposed S-44 Edition 6.3.0 (HSWG Chair)</i></p>
0945	<p>5.4 Tides, Water Level and Currents (TWCWG)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.4A <i>Report and Recommendations of TWCWG (TWCWG Chair)</i></p>
1000	<p>5.6 Nautical Cartography (NCWG)</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-05.6A <i>Report and Recommendations of NCWG (NCWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-10A <i>Transition to Digital-Only Nautical Charting (Canada)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-10B <i>[INFO] Automated Paper Charts from ENC (France)</i></p>
1015	<p>5.7 Hydrographic Dictionary (HDCG)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.7A <i>Report and Recommendations of HDCG (HDCG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.7B <i>H-M Model for S-32 Data Update (HDCG Chair)</i></p>
1030 - 1100	Coffee Break
1100 - 1200	5. Reports by HSSC Working Groups and Project Teams (cont.)
1100	<p>5.5 Nautical Information Provision (NIPWG)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.5A <i>Report and Recommendations of NIPWG (NIPWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5B <i>Amendments to the ENDS Tree Diagram</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5C <i>Proposed S-158:S-128 Edition 1.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5D <i>Proposed S-122 Product Spec Edition 2.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5E <i>Proposed S-123 Product Spec Edition 2.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5Fa <i>Proposed S-125 Product Spec Edition 2.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5Fb <i>Proposed S-125 Guidance</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5G <i>Proposed S-127 Product Spec Edition 2.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5H <i>Proposed S-131 Product Spec Edition 2.0.0</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.5J <i>[INFO] MRN Interoperability (DE-DK-FR)</i></p>
1200 - 1300	Lunch Break

Wednesday 20 May	HSSC-18 PLENARY SESSION 4
1300 - 1500	5. Reports by HSSC Working Groups and Project Teams (cont.)
1300	<p>5.8 Data Quality (DQWG)</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-05.8A <i>Report and Recommendations of DQWG (DQWG Chair)</i></p>
1330	<p>5.9 Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) Navigation (MASS PT)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.9A <i>Report and Recommendations of the MASS PT (MASS PT Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-05.9B <i>Dynamic Overhead Clearance Proposal (MASS PT Chair)</i></p>
1400	<p>5.10 Polygonal Demarcation of Global Sea Areas (S-130 PT)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.10A <i>Report and Recommendations of the S-130 PT (S-130 PT Chair)</i></p>
1430	<p>5.11 joint IHO-Singapore Innovation and Technology Laboratory</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-05.11A <i>Update on the management and projects carried out by the IHO Singapore Laboratory (Singapore/IHO Sec.)</i></p>
1500 - 1530	Coffee Break
1530	6. Inter-Organizational Bodies
	<p>6.1 IHO-IAG Advisory Board on the Law Of the Sea (ABLOS)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-06.1A <i>Report and Recommendations of ABLOS (ABLOS Chair)</i></p>
1600	<p>6.2 IHO-IOC GEBCO Sub-Committee for the Undersea Features Names (SCUFN)</p> <p>Doc: HSSC18-06.2A <i>Establishment of a new S-100 Product (SCUFN Sec.)</i></p>
1630	7. Decisions of other bodies affecting HSSC
	<p>7.1 IRCC (incl. WENDWG)</p> <p>Docs: HSSC18-07.1A <i>IRCC activities affecting HSSC (IRCC Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-07.1B <i>WENDWG activity affecting HSSC (WENDWG Chair)</i></p> <p>HSSC18-07.1C <i>S-11 Part. C for Phase 1 Products (WENDWG Chair)</i></p>
1700	END OF HSSC-18 DAY 2

Thursday 21 May	HSSC-18 PLENARY SESSION 5	
0900	7. Decisions of other bodies affecting HSSC (cont.)	
	7.2 IMO	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.2A</i>	<i>Report on IMO activities affecting HSSC (including engagement for the S-100 implementation roadmap and NCSR13 Report inputs) – (IHO Sec.)</i>
0930	7.3 IALA	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.3A</i>	<i>IALA activities affecting HSSC (IALA)</i>
0945	7.12 WMO	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.12A</i>	<i>S-41x Developments update (WMO).</i>
1000	7.4 IEC	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.4A</i>	<i>IEC activities affecting HSSC (IEC)</i>
1015	7.5 CIRM	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.5A</i>	<i>CIRM activities affecting HSSC (CIRM)</i>
1030 - 1100	Coffee Break	
1100	7.6 ISO	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.6A</i>	<i>ISO activities affecting HSSC (ISO)</i>
1115	7.7 OGC	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.7A</i>	<i>OGC activities affecting HSSC (OGC)</i>
1130	7.8 DGIWG and NATO	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.8Aa</i>	<i>Report from DGIWG on activities affecting HSSC</i>
	<i>HSSC18-07.8Ab</i>	<i>Report NATO GMWG Technical Panel</i>
1145	7.10 ICPC	
	<i>Doc: HSSC18-07.10A</i>	<i>Report on ICPC activities affecting HSSC (ICPC).</i>
1200 - 1300	Lunch Break	

Thursday 21 May	HSSC-18 PLENARY SESSION 6
1300	<p style="background-color: #a6c9ec; margin: 0;">7.11 RENCs</p> <p><i>Doc: HSSC18-07.11A IC-ENC activities in support of the S-100 Implementation Roadmap, concerns and recommendations</i></p> <p style="background-color: #90ee90; margin: 0;">HSSC18-07.11B <i>PRIMAR activities in support of the S-100 Implementation Roadmap, concerns and recommendations</i></p>
1400	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">8. Review and Endorsement of HSSC Work Plan</p> <p><i>Doc: HSSC18-08A Proposed HSSC Work Plan 2026-2027 (HSSC Chair)</i></p>
1415	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">9. Elections of HSSC Chair & Vice-Chair</p> <p><i>Doc: HSSC18-09A Call for nomination for the positions of HSSC Chair & Vice-Chair (HSSC CL01-2026 Letter)</i></p> <p style="background-color: #90ee90; margin: 0;">HSSC18-09Aa <i>Nomination for the position of HSSC Chair (US)</i></p>
1500 - 1515	Coffee Break
1545	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">10. Any Other Business</p>
1615	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">11. Date & Location of the next meetings</p> <p>HSSC-19 (2027): IHO IC - Busan (Republic of Korea)</p> <p>HSSC-20 (2028): IHO Sec. - Monaco</p> <p>HSSC-21 (2029): Voluntary MS Venue (TBD)</p> <p>HSSC-22 (2030): IHO IC - Busan (Republic of Korea)</p> <p>HSSC-23 (2031): IHO Sec. - Monaco</p> <p>HSSC-24 (2032): Voluntary MS Venue (TBD)</p>
1620	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">12. Review of List of Decisions and Actions from HSSC-18</p>
1650	<p style="background-color: #ffcc00; margin: 0;">13. Conclusions - Closure of the Meeting</p>
1700	END OF HSSC-18 DAY 3

Friday 22 May	HSSC-18 CHAIR GROUP MEETING
0900 - 1130	<p><i>HSSC Chair Group Meeting (closed session)</i></p> <p><i>Debriefing, Consolidation of Decisions & Actions, Conclusions, Way forward.</i></p>
	END OF HSSC-18