

First Expert meeting of the UN-GGIM & IHO Joint Working Group on Marine Geospatial Information
with the theme “Advancing Integrated Marine Geospatial Information Management”

Chiang Mai, Thailand
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Welcome Remarks



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Announcements

Hydrographic Department, Royal Thai Navy



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Introductions

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Agenda

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Agenda - Week at a Glance


MONDAY — Foundations

 **Shared understanding** *Secretariat updates, national reports*

TUESDAY — Collaboration

 **Strengthening global connections** *Partnerships & global initiatives, framework alignment*

WEDNESDAY — Strategy & Standards

 **Shaping the future direction** *Strategic vision, standards updates, good practices & case studies*

THURSDAY — Workplan

 **Turning ideas into action** *Initiatives, emerging technologies*

FRIDAY — Finalization

 **Bringing it all together** *Strategic vision & workplan review, reporting*



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Desired Outcomes

- Confirmed strategic direction and priorities
- Consolidated work plan
- Recommendations on the harmonization and future development of guidance, including the alignment of the IGIF-H and IHO C-17
- Shared knowledge and good practices reflecting national and regional experiences, challenges and capacity needs.



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Updated Working Modalities of the Joint Working Group

UN-GGIM and IHO Secretariat



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Report on the activities and progress of the former
**UN-GGIM Working Group on Marine
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Programme of Work of the UN-GGIM Committee of Experts

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IHO Marine Spatial Data Infrastructures Working Group

Caitlin Boatright



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National Reports



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Regional MSDI Reports



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