



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE INTERNATIONAL HYDROGRAPHIC
ORGANIZATION
AND
THE NIPPON FOUNDATION



The International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) and the Nippon Foundation (NF), recognising the benefit to establish a cooperative framework agreed this Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

Purpose

The purpose of this MoU is to provide a framework for continuing discussion and consultation between the IHO and the NF to consider projects between the NF and the IHO in their specific areas of common interest including enhancing human relations, capacity building, and awareness of the need to survey and map the world's seas, oceans and coastal waters for the mutual benefit of mankind and the preservation of the planet.

Scope of Activity

The IHO and the NF shall coordinate their activities as far as possible. The activities to be coordinated may be mutually agreed from time to time.

Legal Status

This MoU does not create any legal obligations or rights between the NF and the IHO or vice versa. This MoU shall be without prejudice to other agreements or arrangements which may exist between the NF and the IHO.

Validity

This MoU is valid until either of the NF or the IHO proposes its termination in writing to the other party. Each of the NF or the IHO has the right to propose changes to this MoU at any time in writing. Any change comes into effect upon the written consent of both the NF and the IHO.

**For the International Hydrographic
Organization**

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For the Nippon Foundation

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