

REPORT

on work carried out by

Baltic Sea International Chart Committee (BSICC)

since the 11th BSHC Conference

1. Since the 11th Conference in Latvia only a few letters have been circulated among the members of the Committee giving information about the progress made and/or informing on issues that would require a response or acceptance.
2. Also since the last Conference the BALTINTCHART Catalogue has been updated and sent to the members for consideration and further updating. The most recent updated version can be obtained from Kort & Matrikelstyrelsen on request (hnb@kms.dk). Also the IHB has received updating information and a digital copy of the catalogue to be used for amending the IHO M-11 publication.
3. The most important issue since the 11th Conference has been the establishment of the Finnish INT Chart Scheme. The production of the Finnish charts is well underway and the latest information shows that Finland has completed 90% of their INT charts..
4. Also the BSICC has decided - upon request from the chairman of the NW-European Charting Group - to include 5 of the Latvian large scale charts into the INT chart series of the Baltic Sea. However no further information regarding these charts has yet been received.
5. Another question from the chairman of the NW-European Charting Group regards the possible inclusion of some Estonian large scale harbour charts. I have been in contact with Estonia about this but I am still awaiting their response.
6. During 2006 we also had some discussions on the titles given in the catalogue. The discussion was whether these titles should be in English or in the language of the producer nation. During a meeting in the CSPCWG¹ I was informed that IHB always gives the English titles in the publication M-11 Catalogue of International Charts in order to make the catalogue understandable to all nations. Therefore I have retained the current English titles in the BALTINTCHART catalogue as well.
7. Germany had asked for opinions about including a large scale harbour chart of Prorer Wiek. As I have received no objections to this proposal it was decided to include this chart in the catalogue and assign an additional INT number to Germany.
8. As you may all know by now I am retiring by the end of this year. Therefore it is time for the Baltic sea Hydrographic Commission to appoint a new chairman.
9. The Commission is invited to take note of this report.

Hanne Berg
(Retiring) Chairperson of the BSICC

¹ CSPCWG: Chart Standardization and Paper Chart Working Group