

**NOTA GBA No. 035/26**

Buenos Aires, March 25, 2026

**REF.** Propose the Republic of Argentina as  
host country for the Engineering Committee  
(ENG24)

International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation

Secretary General

Mr. Francis Zachariae

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Dear Mr Zachariae

We are writing to you as an Affiliate Member of the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation (IALA) to formally propose the Republic of Argentina as the host country for the Engineering Committee (ENG24) meeting in first half of 2027. This initiative has the strong institutional support of the Naval Hydrographic Service (SHN), IALA's Member State, and the competent authority, which guarantees the necessary technical support and security framework for an event of this magnitude.

As an Affiliate Member, we highlight our active, ongoing participation in the ARM and ENG Committees for more than 20 years, reflecting our commitment to the development of Aids to Navigation in accordance with international standards.

In line with this commitment, since 2017, we have established the HIDROVIA Academy for Aids to Navigation Training as an Accredited Training Organization (ATO) of the WWA-IALA, responsible for delivering nine (9) Level 2 Model Courses annually.

It is precisely within this pedagogical, academic, and technical framework that we have successfully organized international and regional milestones. We hosted the ARM 11 Committee in Buenos Aires in 2020. We have also hosted the 1st and 2nd Latin American Regional Seminars on Aids to Navigation in 2023 and 2025, with strong participation from representatives of Latin American countries.

We also highlight Argentina's strategic geographic location on the Paraguay-Paraná Waterway, considered the third most important waterway in the world in terms of length and cargo volume, which demands a highly complex aids-to-navigation service.

We believe that the city of Buenos Aires offers a world-class environment for this Committee. Its international connectivity, first-rate hotel infrastructure, and vast tourist and cultural attractions ensure a highly productive experience and a large turnout of delegates from around the world.

We are convinced that hosting the Engineering Committee (ENG24) in our country will strengthen technical ties in the region and allow the international community to learn firsthand about Argentina's capabilities in promoting safe navigation.



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We are at your complete disposal to send you a detailed dossier with the logistical and technical proposal.

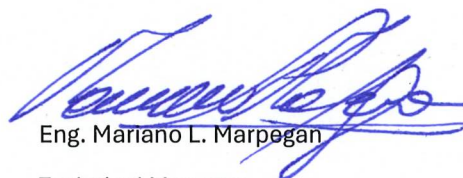
Thanking you in advance for your attention, we remain, with our highest regards.



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