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# IALA’s activities concerning

# e-navigation and related maritime domain developments

# A road map for 2016 and beyond

**Introduction**

This document is a high-level representation of how overarching concepts and strategies such as the IMO concept of a Sustainable Maritime Transportation System (SMTS) [1], IMO’s e-Navigation strategy and its implementation plan [2; 3; 4] and IHO’s Universal Hydrographic Data Model (UHDM; S-100) [5] can be applied in a coordinated manner to contribute to IALA’s vision in its overall strategy [6].

The relationships between the SMTS, e-Navigation, operational and technical issues in this road map are reflected in several IALA documents approved by Council (e.g. [7; 8; 9]).

Furthermore, there is a need for an overall, pan-IALA road map for IALA’s activities concerning e-Navigation and related maritime domain developments. The development of such a road map is an approved task in the work programme 2014-2018 (4.3.4) of the ENAV Committee. Consideration has been given to the fact that numerous e-Navigation-related activities are already incorporated in the work programmes (2014-2018) of IALA’s committees**[[1]](#footnote-1)**. IALA is coordinating numerous aspects of e-Navigation (those within IALA’s mandate). Close cooperation will be required with other IGOs and NGOs to ensure any gaps in the development of e-Navigation are addressed.

**Legend**

* Individual *circles* designate milestones when tasks indicated by the road map should be completed. Different colours of the circles are used to indicate different years.
* The *arrow* designates a continuous process, where the start and/or end points of the process is as yet unspecified.
* In future, the circles can be replaced by ellipses to contain the designation of the group or entity within IALA responsible. Several Ellipses and arrows can be combined to designate several meaningful milestones within a continuous process. This way of designation may be required for complex tasks.

*Note 1. The list of MSPs given in the SIP [3] is a proposed list of internationally recognised MSPs, and task 17 of the SIP specifically states that further development shall take place. Several (sub) domains with relevance to the maritime domain are not included yet. This is to be amended in due course. Hence these MSPs-to-be-added are postulated.*

*Note 2. For further introduction to the application of IHO’s UHDM/S-100 framework to the IALA domain, compare IALA Guideline 1106 on Producing an IALA S-100 Product Specification [10]. Also, it is necessary to identify the emerging S-1xx specifications of IHO and their relevance to IALA’s own product specifications S-2xx.*

*Note 3. It should be noted that for some activities in this high level road map, individual road maps will need to be developed in keeping with this high level road map.*

1. **Requirements derivation and traceability** ([9], Table 2, refers)
   * Contribute to the development of the Sustainable Maritime Transportation System (SMTS) (as source for requirements)

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* + Review user requirements as required

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* + Derive system requirements, as required, from user requirements

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* + Develop scope of IALA-administered S-100 products

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1. **Scope IALA’s share in the MSPs domain** 
   * Identify those MSPs to be developed and administered by IALA
   * Liaise with relevant organisations where IALA has a supporting role

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* + Develop objective, scope and description of MSPs within IALA’s remit
  + Define the generic request-fulfillment-relationships amongst operational and/or technical services, their generic interdependencies and their generic quality parameters

1. **Develop MSPs for Vessel Traffic Services** 
   * Develop guideline on the development of MSPs

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* + Define operational/technical services within these MSPs, their request-fulfillment-relationships, their interdependencies and their quality parameters

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* + Develop S-100 Product Specifications for VTS
  + Develop S-100 Product Specifications for “Inter VTS Exchange Format”
  + Determine VTS’s relationship with the Single Window concept
  + Determine VTS’s relationship with other stakeholders in the maritime domain
  + Develop guidance on electronic manuals for VTS equipment to harmonise their layout
  + Develop guidance on the display of accuracy and reliability of information in relevant VTS equipment
  + Develop guidance for the harmonised portrayal of information received from communications equipment in VTS and other relevant shore based equipment

1. **Develop MSPs related to Aids to Navigation** (ref. Note 1.)
   * Define operational/technical services within these MSPs, their request-fulfillment-relationships, their interdependencies and their quality parameters
   * Develop S-100 based Product Specifications, in particular on “Aids to Navigation information”
2. **Develop MSPs related to Resilient PNT** (ref. Note 1.)
   * Define operational/technical services within these MSPs, their request-fulfillment-relationships, their interdependencies and their quality parameters
   * Develop S-100 based Product Specifications for these MSPs
3. **Develop a Maritime Digital Infrastructure** 
   * Contribute to the development of the Common Maritime Data Structure (CMDS): S-200 domain management: S-200 product specifications: Session oriented services

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* + Explore the concept of System Wide Information Management (SWIM)
  + Explore the Maritime Cloud (MC) including concept (e.g.identities, the MC Identity Register (MIR), identity management, services, the service register, security and communication links) and governance model
  + Further develop Common Shore-based System Architecture (CSSA; [11]), including generic service description, generic M2M interfacing, application notes and guidance documents

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* + Explore the Maritime Architecture Framework (MAF) Cube
  + Update the IALA Maritime Radiocommunications Plan
  + Develop IALA Guidance on VDES

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* + Review IALA Guidance on AIS
  + Develop S-100 based product for VDEs, AIS and Application Specific Messages and manage ASM register (web catalogue)

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* + Monitor developments of the modernisation of GMDSS (IMO) and identify the communication commonalities with e-Navigation

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* + Liaison with ITU (WRC-19 preparation) and assistance to IALA membership for national matters

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* + Consider developing a vision for digital/voice communication in the maritime domain

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1. **Develop Resilient Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT)**
   * Develop Recommendation on PNT relevant services
   * Develop Recommendation on Resilient PNT
   * Develop guideline on high accuracy systems
   * Provide support on the development of techniques used for onboard PNT data processing
   * Review IALA radiobeacon DGNSS guidance, including coverage
   * Develop and maintain a road map for R-Mode
   * Develop guidance on the Ranging (or R-) Mode of operation
   * Develop guidance on maritime use of SBAS
   * Develop guidance on eLORAN
   * Consideration of additional uses of exsisting shore based infrastructure

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1. **Testbeds and implementation**
   * Revise guidance on planning testbeds and reporting of testbed results
   * Provide guidance and advice on developed solutions and services

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1. It is intended that this road map should be aligned with the tasks and work items as noted in the work programmes of all IALA Committees. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)