

GENERAL LIST OF WEBSITES FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The list provided below is a non-exhaustive compilation of the names and websites of international organizations which might have access to data and information of potential interest to coastal States during the preparation of submissions in respect of the outer limits of their continental shelf beyond 200 nautical miles. The Commission includes the names of these organizations in an attempt to foster international scientific cooperation. The list is not intended to identify the names of international organizations with which the Commission may cooperate with a view to exchanging scientific and technical information which might be of assistance in discharging its responsibilities according to annex II, article 3, paragraph 2 of the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

The list is arranged under five main sections. The first contains specialized agencies of the United Nations system. The second names other scientific bodies of the United Nations. The third section includes the names of relevant international members, scientific associates and other bodies of the International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU), a Formal Associate of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) since 1995. The fourth section contains the names of ongoing international scientific programmes conducted by a number of organizations whose data and research might prove valuable to coastal States. The fifth section includes the names of regional organizations and programmes. The sixth section includes specialised data portals.

Whereas the following international organizations have the responsibility of promoting the development of knowledge and research in their respective disciplines, according to Annex II, the Commission has the sole responsibility of making recommendations and providing scientific and technical advice in relation to submissions of limits of the extended continental shelf made by coastal States.

1. Specialized agencies of the United Nations system

- 1.1 International Maritime Organization (IMO)
<http://www.imo.org/>

1.2 United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

<http://www.unesco.org/>

1.2.1 Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)

<http://ioc-unesco.org/>

Committee on International Oceanographic Data and Information Exchange (IODE)

<http://www.iode.org/>

General Bathymetric Chart of the Oceans (GEBCO)

<http://www.gebco.net/>

<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/aboutmgg/oceanmapping.html>

Joint WMO-IOC Technical Commission for Oceanography and Marine Meteorology

<http://ioc.unesco.org/jcomm/>

2. Other United Nations bodies

2.1 Coordinating Committee for Geoscience Programmes in East and Southeast Asia (CCOP)

<http://www.ccop.or.th/>

3. International Council of Scientific Unions (ICSU)

<http://www.icsu.org/>

Members:

3.1 International Geographical Union (IGU)

<http://www.igu-net.org/>

Commission on Marine Geography

http://www.geog.umontreal.ca/Commission_maritime_geog/Accueil.htm

3.2 International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG)

<http://www.iugg.org/>

3.2.1 International Association of Geodesy (IAG)

<http://www.iag-aig.org/>

3.2.2 International Association of Physical Sciences of the Oceans (IAPSO)

<http://www.iugg.org/iapso/>

3.3 International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS)

<http://www.iugs.org/>

Scientific associates:

3.4 Fédération International des Géomètres (FIG)

<http://www.fig.net/>

Commission 4 Hydrography

<http://www.fig.net/commission4/index.htm>

3.5 International Cartographic Association (ICA)

<http://cartography.tuwien.ac.at/ica/>

Commission on Marine Cartography

<http://www.abdn.ac.uk/geospatial/ica/>

Commission on Generalisation and Multiple Representation

<http://ica.ign.fr/>

3.6 International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)

<http://www.iho-ohi.net/english/home/>

International Data Center for Digital Bathymetry (IHO DCDB)

<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/bathymetry/iho.html>

Advisory Board on Hydrographic and Geodetic Aspects of the Law of the Sea (ABLÓS) with the International Association of Geodesy (IAG)

<http://www.gmat.unsw.edu.au/ablos/>

3.7 International Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing (ISPRS)

<http://www.isprs.org/>

Interdisciplinary bodies:

3.8 International Arctic Science Committee (IASC)

<http://www.arcticportal.org/iasc/>

3.9 Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR)

<http://www.scar.org/>

3.10 Scientific Committee on Oceanic Research (SCOR)

<http://www.scor-int.org/>

Permanent services and panels:

- 3.11 Federation of Astronomical and Geophysical Data Analysis Services (FAGS)
<http://www.icsu-fags.org/>
- 3.11.1 Bureau Gravimétrique International (BGI)
<http://www.geodesie.ird.fr/bgi/>
- 3.11.2 International Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) Service
<http://igsceb.jpl.nasa.gov/>
- 3.12 World Data Center System (WDC)
<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/wdc/>
- 3.13 World Data Center for Geophysics & Marine Geology (WDC-GMG)
<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/wdc/wdcgmg.html>
- 4. International scientific programmes
 - 4.1 International Geological Correlation Programme
http://www.unesco.or.id/activities/science/earth_sci/46.php
 - 4.2 International Lithosphere Programme
<http://sclilp.gfz-potsdam.de/>
 - 4.3 Ocean Drilling Program (ODP)
<http://www-odp.tamu.edu/>
- 5. Regional organizations and programmes
 - 5.1 South Pacific Applied Geoscience Commission
<http://www.sopac.org/>
- 6. Specialised Data Portals
 - 6.1 Bundesamt für Seeschifffahrt und Hydrographie (Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency)
<http://www.bsh.de/de/Meeresdaten/Geodaten/index.jsp>
 - 6.2 Bundesanstalt für Geowissenschaften und Rohstoffe (Federal Institute for Geosciences and Natural Resources)
http://www.bgr.bund.de/cln_011/mn_323774/EN/Themen/GG_Geophysik/Marine_Geophysik/Seismik/Messgebiete/messgebiete_node_en.html?__nnn=true

- 6.3 Grid Arendal UNEP Shelf Programme
<http://www.continentalshelf.org/onestopdatashop.aspx>
- 6.4 Hawaii Mapping Research Group
<http://imina.soest.hawaii.edu/HMRG/index.php>
- 6.5 Institut français de recherche pour l'exploitation de la mer (IFREMER)
http://www.ifremer.fr/sismer/index_FR.htm
- 6.6 Japan Agency for Marine-Earth Science and Technology
<http://www.jamstec.go.jp/dataportal/viewer.htm>
- 6.7 L'Institut de Physique du Globe de Strasbourg
<http://cats.u-strasbg.fr/geomarines.html>
- 6.8 Marine Geoscience Data System (MGDS) Lamont Doherty (data portal for the Ridge 2000 and MARGINS programs, the Antarctic and Southern Ocean Data Synthesis, the Global Multi-Resolution Topography Synthesis, and Seismic Reflection Field Data Portal)
<http://www.marine-geo.org/>
- 6.9 National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC)
<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/geodas/geodas.html>
<http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/bathymetry/relief.html>
<http://map.ngdc.noaa.gov/website/mgg/trackline/viewer.htm>
<http://map.ngdc.noaa.gov/website/mgg/multibeam/viewer.htm>
- 6.10 Naval Research Laboratory
<http://www7320.nrlssc.navy.mil/DBDB2 WWW/NRLCOM dbdb2.html>
- 6.11 Scientific Ice Expeditions (SCICEX)
<http://www.ldeo.columbia.edu/res/pi/SCICEX/>
- 6.12 Scripps Institute of Oceanography (SIO) SIO Explorer Digital Library Project
<http://nsdl.sdsc.edu/>
- 6.13 University of Texas
<http://www.ig.utexas.edu/sdc/cruiseinfo.php>
- 6.14 Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Multibeam Bathymetry Data Archive
<http://mbdata.whoi.edu/mbdata.html>
