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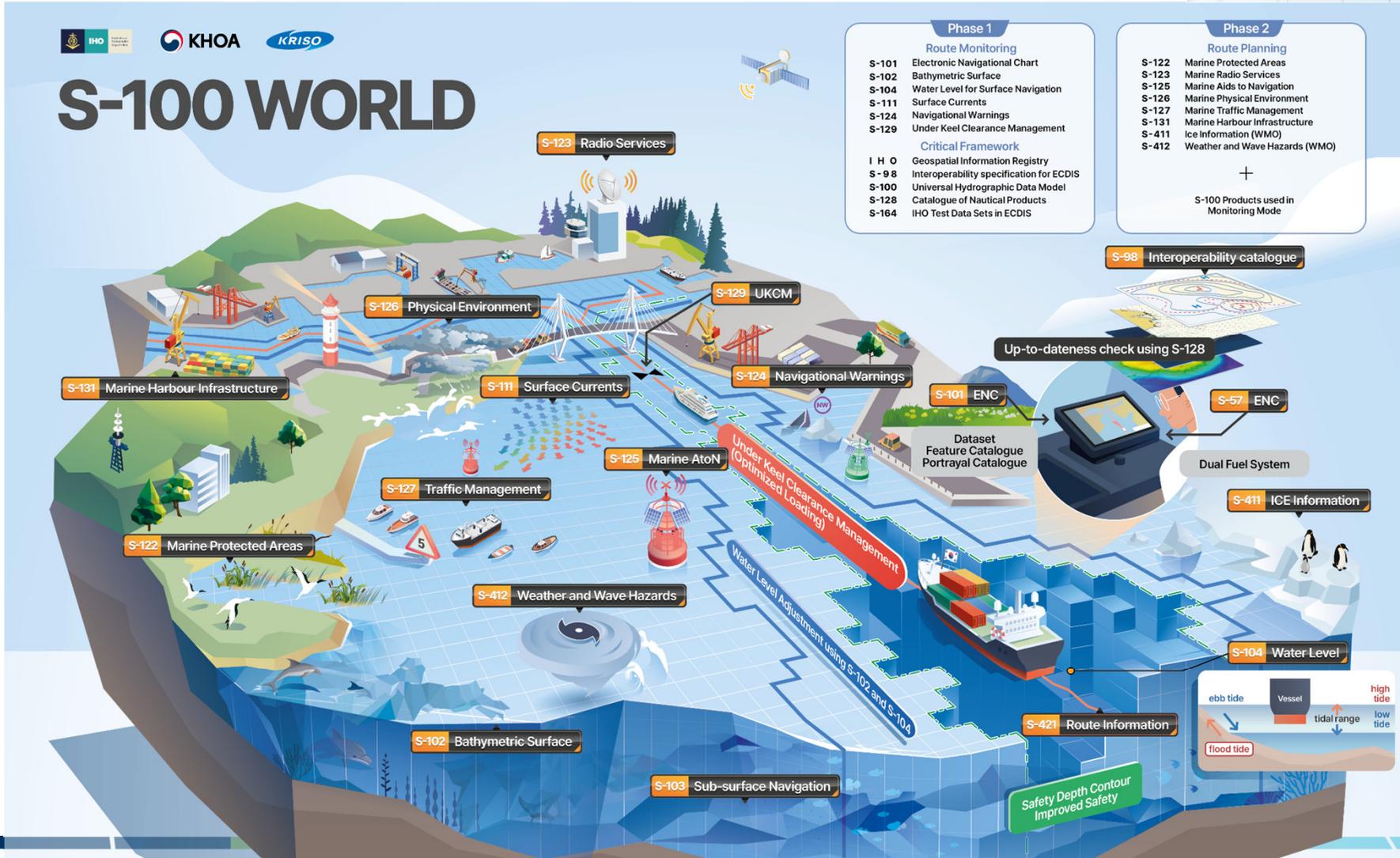
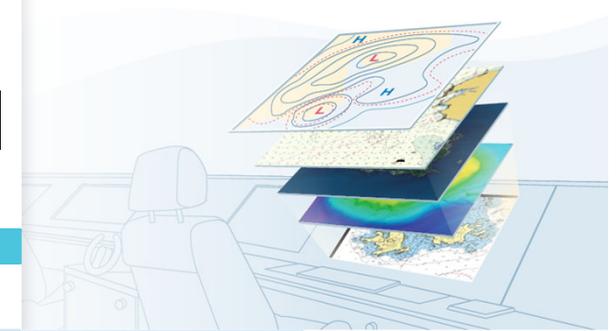
S-100 and eNavigation in Australia

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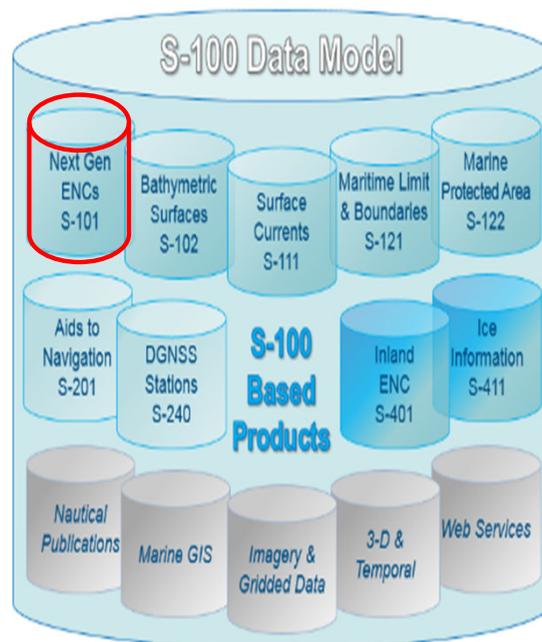
The S-100 Universal Hydrographic Data Model



S-97	Guidelines for Creating S-100 Product Specifications	S-98	Data Product Interoperability in S-100 Navigational System	S-99	Operational Procedures for the Organization and Management of the IHO GI registry	S-100	IHO Universal Hydrographic Data Model	S-164	Test Data Set for S-100 and ECDIS Type Approval	S-101 to S-199	International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
S-201 to S-299	International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse (IALA)	S-301 to S-399	Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)	S-401 to S-402	Inland ENC Harmonization Group (IEHG)	S-411 to S-414	WMO Service Commission (SERCOC)	S-421 to S-430	International Electrotechnical Commission - TC80 (IEC-TC80)	S-501 to S-525	NATO Geospatial Maritime Working Group (GMWG) for Additional Military Layers (AML)

S-100 Data Model

- The IHO S-100 Standard defines the new Universal Hydrographic Data Model
 - Primary aim: to support a greater range of hydrographic-related digital data sources, products and customers
 - Enables easier development of new applications that go beyond the scope of traditional hydrography
 - Aligned with ISO 19100 series of international geospatial standards, enabling integration of hydrographic data and applications into geospatial solutions
 - Provides the data framework for the development of the next generation Electronic Navigational Chart (ENC) products, as well as other digital products required by the hydrographic, maritime and GIS communities.



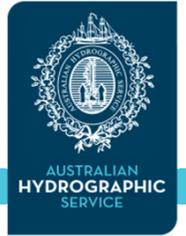
Why is S-100 important?

It has been identified as a 'KEY ENABLER'
to **eNavigation** by the International
Maritime Organizations (IMO)

What is **eNavigation**?



IMO e-Navigation concept

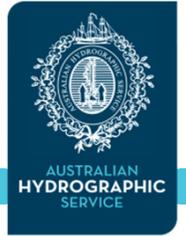


The International Maritime Organization (IMO) defines e-navigation as:

"the harmonized collection, integration, exchange, presentation and analysis of marine information on board and ashore by electronic means to enhance berth to berth navigation and related services for safety and security at sea and protection of the marine environment."



IMO's e-Navigation concept



The IMO developed the e-navigation Strategy Implementation Plan (SIP). The main objective of the e-navigation SIP is to implement the following five e-navigation solutions:

- S1: improved, harmonized and user-friendly bridge design;
- S2: means for standardized and automated reporting;
- S3: improved reliability, resilience and integrity of bridge equipment and navigation information;
- S4: integration and presentation of available information in graphical displays received via communication equipment; and
- S5: improved communication

The SIP proposes a list of transmission methods to [exchange of the relevant information](#)

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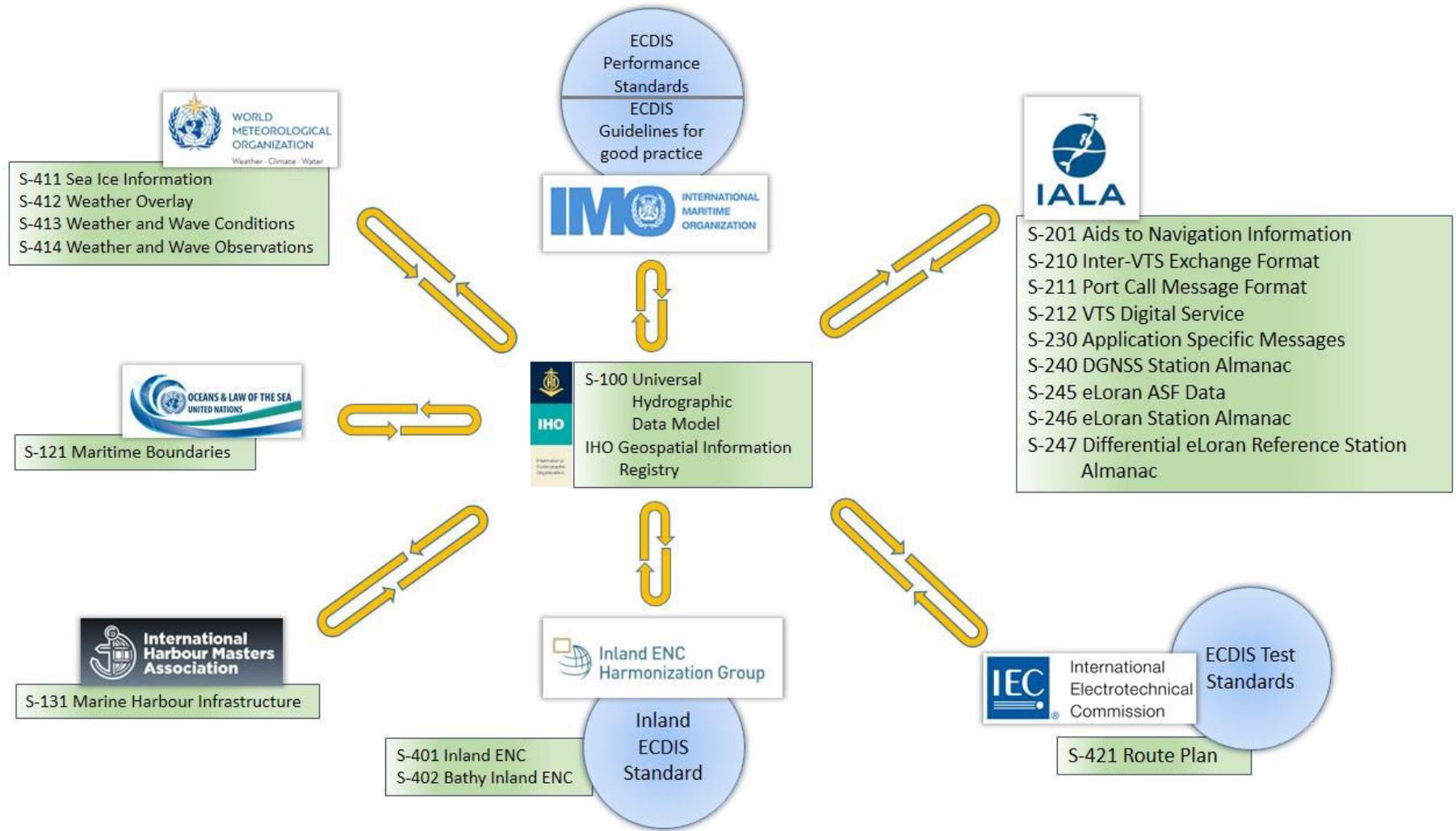
Relevant key enablers for e-navigation

30 During the development of the SIP, a number of actions have been identified as key enablers for e-navigation. Some of them are listed below.

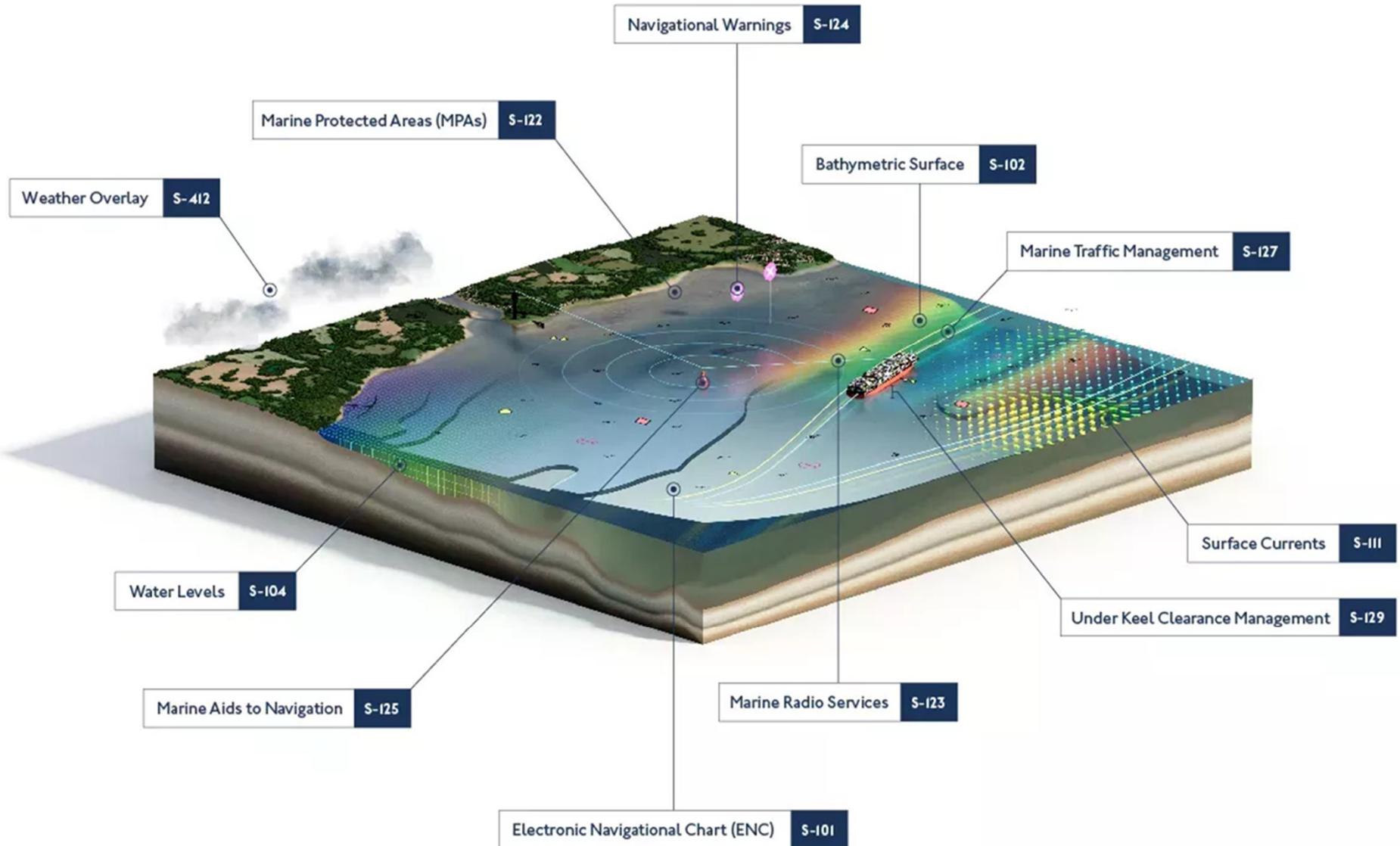
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Examples of key enablers of e-navigation**

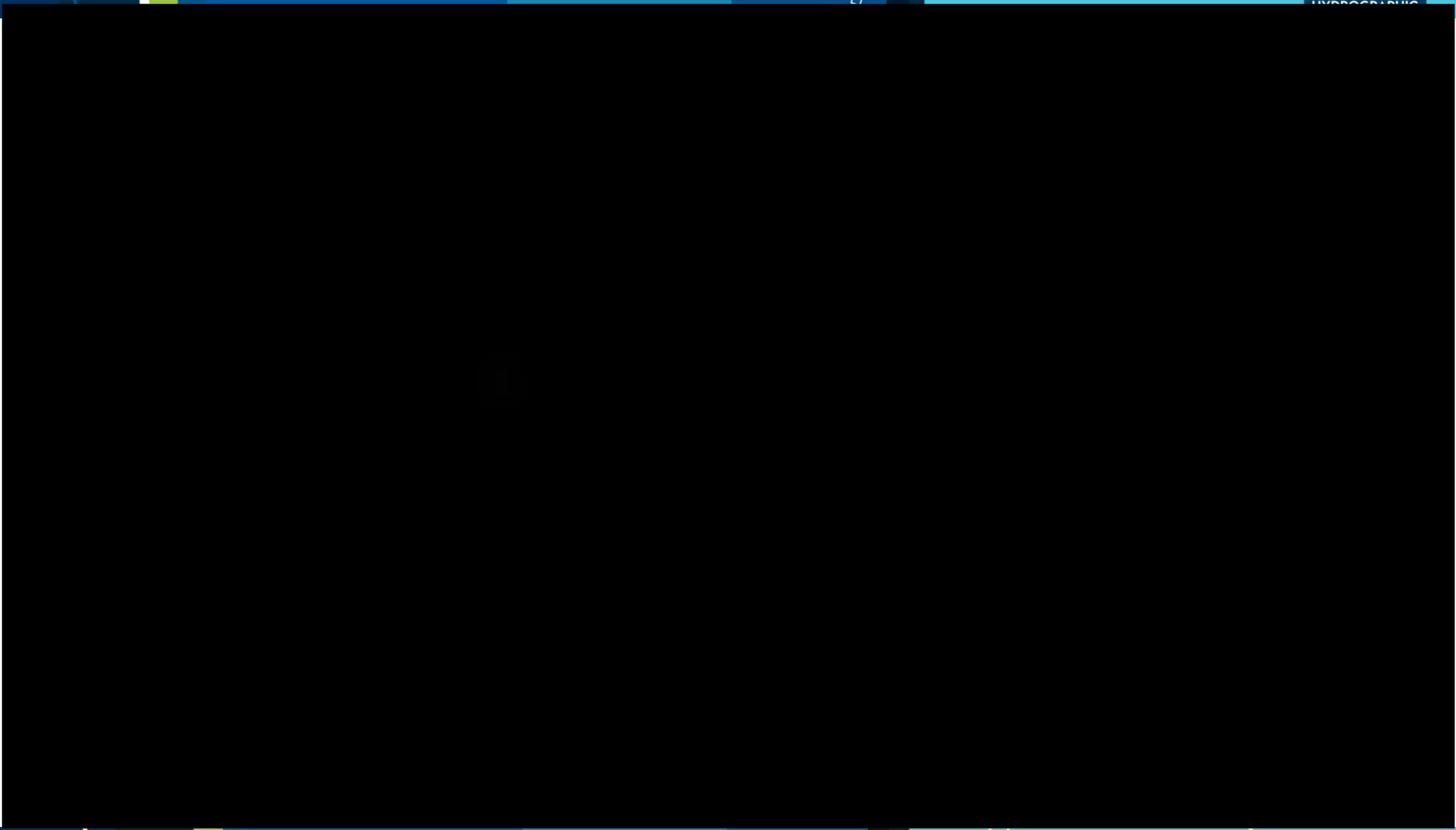
Key enabler	Initial action	Status
Globally Standardized Data Exchange	Data providers to adapt to IMO recognized data standards such as IHO's S-100 data model	IMO/IHO Harmonization Group on Data Modelling (HGDM), activated at MSC 98





Interoperability – the game changer

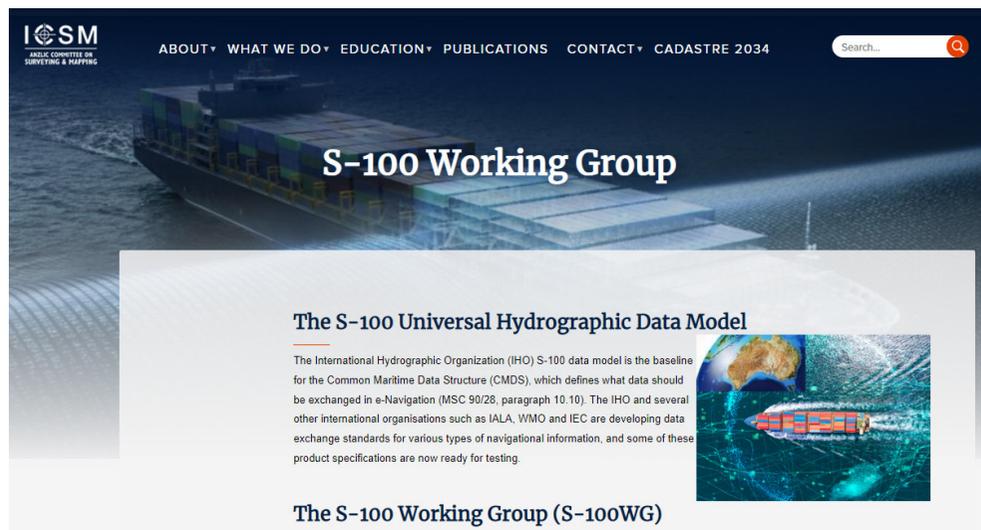
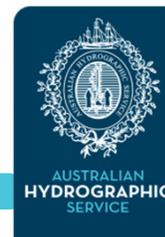




What are we doing in Australia?



S-100 Working Group

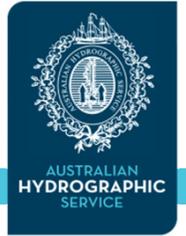


- The S-100WG is a working group under Intergovernmental Committee on Surveying and Mapping (ICSM) and is responsible for coordinating and managing the timely and effective implementation of a broad range of S-100 products and services in Australia and New Zealand.
- The S-100WG inaugural meeting was hosted by the Australian Hydrographic Office (AHO) in November 2022.

- The S-100WG members meet three times a year; two virtual meetings and one face-to-face meeting.
- Next meeting is scheduled for July 2025 (Hybrid – LTBD).



S-100WG Members



Australian Government

Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment
Australian Antarctic Division



Australian Government
Australian Fisheries Management Authority



Australian Government
Australian Maritime Safety Authority



Australian Government
Bureau of Meteorology



Australian Government
Geoscience Australia



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Department of Climate Change, Energy,
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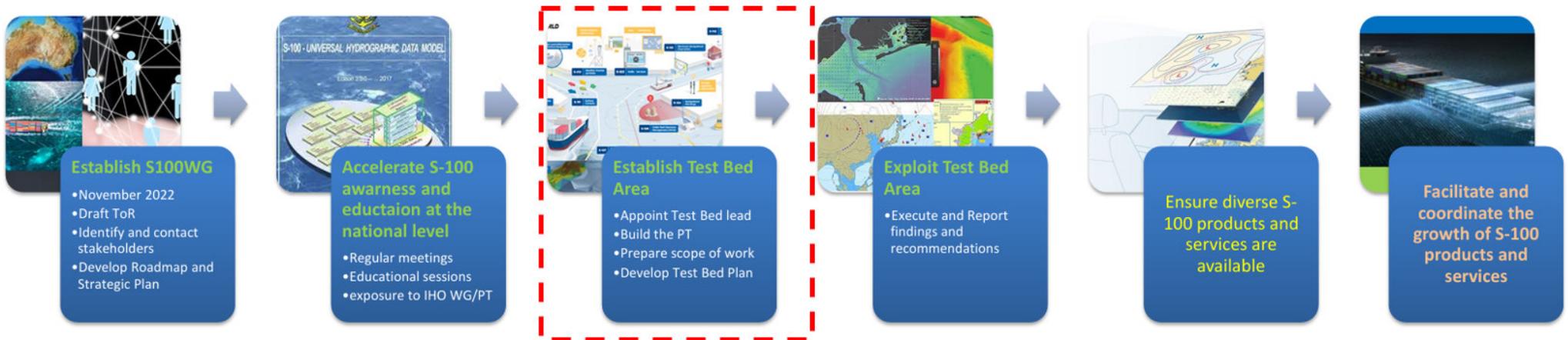
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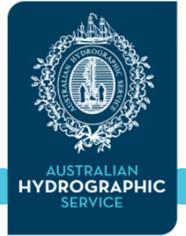
Australian Government
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ICSM S-100WG Roadmap

Planning our route for efficient navigation



S-100 Benefits



- **Underpins IMO's eNavigation strategy**
- **Is aligned with a contemporary International Geospatial standard (*ISO 19100*)**
- **Facilitates Interoperability between complementary products - value adding (*e.g. Water Level Adjustments*)**
- **Supports dynamic data layers - real or near-real data feed (*e.g. Weather; Water levels*)**
- **Enhances route planning and the optimisation of voyages -'just in time arrivals' and reduction of CO2 emissions**
- **Supports emerging technologies such as Autonomous vessels**
- **Enables *safer and more efficient navigation***
- **and MORE**



Thanks

