Celebrating 120 years of Ocean Discovery

32nd IOC Assembly
Evert Flier, Chair GEBCO Guiding Committee
Highlights since 31st IOC Assembly

• GEBCO 120 years of ocean discovery
• GEBCO strategy
• GEBCO Code of Conduct / GEBCO Charter
• GEBCO Governance Review
• High activity at and intense cooperation with Seabed 2030
• New GEBCO Sub-Committee on Education and Training
Meetings

• GGC39: Nov 2022: Southampton
• GGC40: Nov 2023: Monaco
• GGC41: Nov 2024: Fiji
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<td>IHO appointed GGC member</td>
<td>Ms Yerinelys Santos</td>
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• SCUFN had a significant number of naming proposals to consider in 2022, reaching a total number of 334.

• With a majority of naming proposals of features located in the South China Sea, the two SCUFN meetings in 2022 were affected by strong statements from the representatives of the Coastal States, claiming priority for naming features within the limits of their EEZ, and ECS, most of these limits being disputed by others.

• SCUFN35.2 agreed at the beginning of the meeting that on the decision-making process, which was in good spirit, to only use the Rules of Procedure and Guidelines in force, providing the acceptance of their intrinsic uncertainties.

• Out of 334 proposals, 263 names were finally accepted at SCUFN 35.2.
Technical Sub-Committee on Ocean Mapping Activities

- GEBCO Cookbook maintenance
- Development of an opportunistic mapping tool
- Study of discrete global grids
Developing a Vision for Improving the Discovery and Access of Bathymetric Data
Webinar Series & Working Meeting

- **Hosts:** The GEBCO Technical Subcommittee on Ocean Mapping (TSCOM), the IHO Data Center for Digital Bathymetry (DCDB) and the Seabed 2030 Regional Center for the Atlantic and Indian Oceans

- Discussions centered around developing inclusive and equitable strategies to improve discovery and access of bathymetric data.

- **Demographics:**
  - >30 attendees contributed perspectives from academia, industry and government representing 17 organizations from 7 nations.
  - Nearly two thirds identifying as female, one third male, and 3% non-binary.

**Vision**

Community progress towards coordination to avoid redundant effort, optimize efficiency and foster a culture of open sharing.
The last great mapping endeavor of our planet