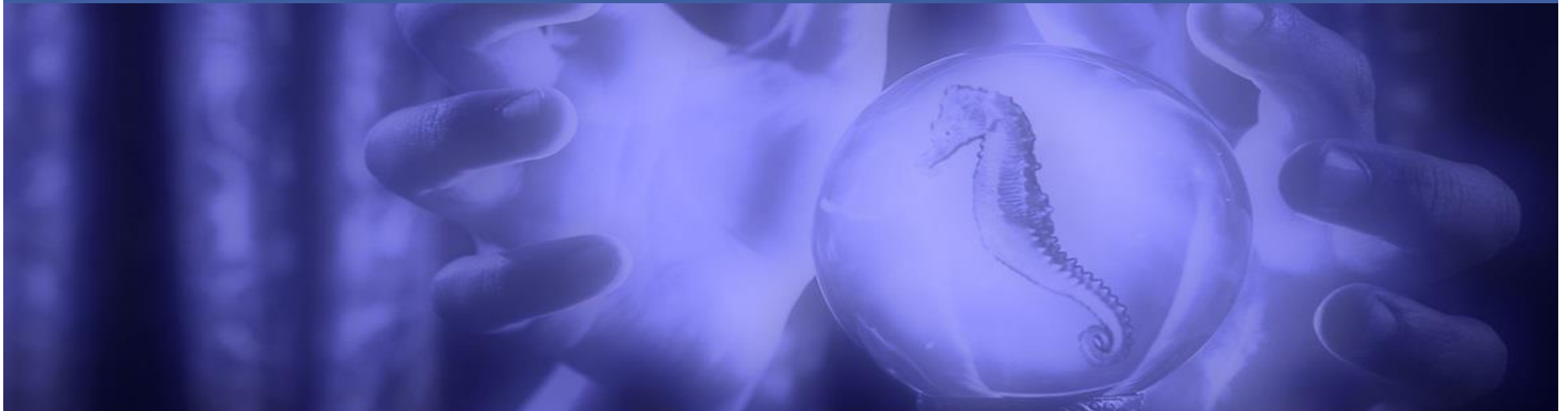
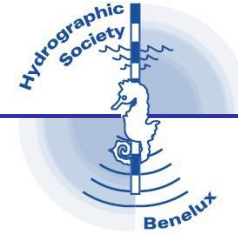


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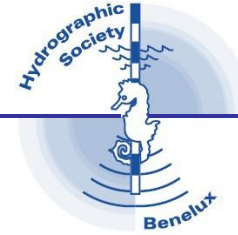
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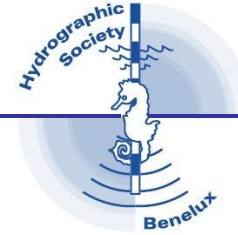
IFHS - International Federation of Hydrographic Societies

- Annual contribution is relatively high
- What is the return?
- What do we want to achieve with international cooperation?



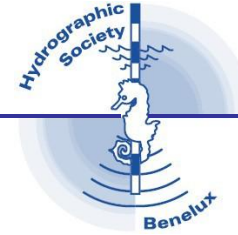
Four questions to explore the subject:

- What is the importance of conferences?
- What do we expect towards education and competences?
- Where do we get our information from?
- What else do we want to achieve with international cooperation?



What is the importance of conferences?

The national organizations organize annual conferences, the Hydro's, on behalf of the IFHS. Last year the HSB organized the Hydro17 on the SS Rotterdam. It took a lot of effort and risk to organize this. How do we look back at the event?



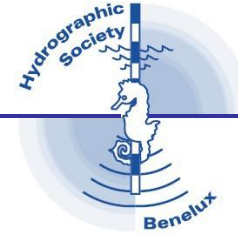
What is the importance of conferences?

Consensus: Congresses are important. Main reasons:

- Exchange and gain knowledge
- Networking, maintaining relationships
- Career orientation for students
- Inspire each other

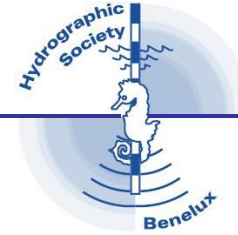
Other notes:

- The Hydro conferences are one of the few in our industry.
- Could Hydro's be organized at regional level
- Discuss financial management, risk sharing



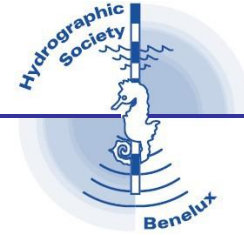
What do we expect towards education and competences?

The IFHS awards an annual prize to the best final thesis of a Hydrography student. Is this enough, or do we want a greater influence through HSB/IFHS on what education offers and competencies that a hydrographer must have?



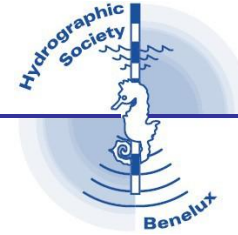
What do we expect towards education and competences?

Consensus: For the HSB, there could be a larger role as a link between the different programs in Belgium and the Netherlands. As far as education and competences are concerned, there is apparently no significant contribution from IFHS expected.



Where do we get our information from?

The IFHS stopped the publication of The Hydrographic Journal in 2010. To what extent are such publications important? Where do we get our information from now and could organizations like the IFHS and HSB play a role in this?

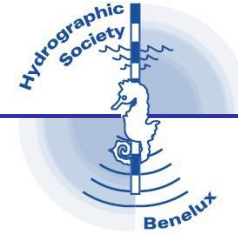


Where do we get our information from?

Literally:

- 35%: Personal contacts
- 30%: Gatherings like trade shows, conferences, workshops
- 25%: Internet
- 10%: Magazines

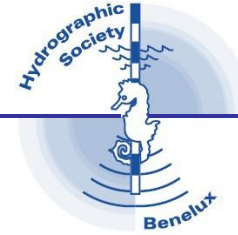
Consensus: Although by far the most information comes to us through personal contacts, gatherings and the internet, there remains a need for scientifically reviewed publications. In addition, there is interest in knowing what is happening at our sister organizations.



What else do we want to achieve with international cooperation?

Consensus: International cooperation is important, especially for the exchange of knowledge.

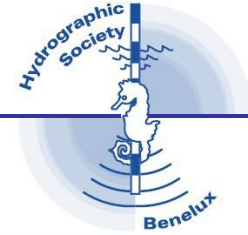
- Promoting contact between sister organizations
- Circulating publications
- Gather knowledge, make connections to learn what the market wants
- Communication: which message by which means
- Promoting student exchange



What else do we want to achieve with international cooperation?

Promoting hydrography is only possible in an international context. What can we contribute to this?

Is it necessary to redefine the "why" of the HSB and IFHS?



Thank you

