**Restructuring S-98**

The original S-98 specification had the following structure

1. S-98 Main Document - Data Product Interoperability in S-100 Navigation Systems. Main Specification – All Interoperability Levels
2. S-98 Annex A - Annex A (Informative) Operational Contexts, Scenarios and Use Cases
3. S-98 Annex B - Annex B (Informative) Validation Checks
4. S-98 Part A - Level 1 Interoperability
5. S-98 Part B - Level 2 Interoperability
6. S-98 Part C - Level 3 Interoperability
7. S-98 Part D - Level 4 Interoperability

To this was added S-98 Annex C, which comprised the S-100 ECDIS interoperability specification and the detailed requirements for S-100 ECDIS. Over time, the importance of S-98 Annex C was acknowledged and, as agreed at S100WG a restructure of S-98 was approved by the S-98 PT and the S100WG.

This, essentially means that “interoperability” is referred to from the ECDIS requirement, rather than the ECDIS requirement being an Annex of an interoperability implementation. This is also reflected in the change of title from “**Data Product Interoperability in S-100 Navigation Systems**” to “**S-100 ECDIS and Interoperability Specification**”

A revision of S-98 for Phase 2 will look at the full requirement for the ECDIS and interoperability.

This means that S-98 now has the following structure

1. **S-98 Main Document - S-100 ECDIS and Interoperability Specification**

*This contains the original S-98 Annex C, reformatted and heavily updated to reflect the S-100 ECDIS specification of S-100. It contains no explicit links to the full interoperability mechanisms; these will be added in the Phase 2 revision as required.*

1. **S-98 Annex A – Interoperability**

*This contains the original Main Document, and Annex A (Operational contexts). The informative validation checks section is not included. Validation checks are already drafted in S-158:98*

1. **S-98 Part A – Level 1 Interoperability**

*Contains the original Level 1 interoperability specification unchanged*

1. **S-98 Part B – Level 2 Interoperability**

*Contains the original Level 2 interoperability specification unchanged*