



# INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY

Note No. ISA/OLA/2018/081

The Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority presents his compliments to the Members of the Authority and the observers referred to in paragraph 1 of rule 82 of the rules of procedure of the Assembly, and has the honour to recall the Assembly's decision of 18 August 2017 (ISBA/23/A/13) to request the Secretary-General, in view of the importance of a long-term plan defining the strategic direction and aims of the Authority, to submit a draft strategic plan to the Assembly for consideration at its twenty-fourth session, in 2018, and to regularly inform member States on progress with respect to this plan.

The Secretary-General further has the honour to inform members and observers that a first draft of a "*strategic plan for the International Seabed Authority for the five-year period 2019-2023*", is now available on the website of the Authority at [<http://bit.ly/2Co7VTt>] (EN) and [<http://bit.ly/2GMeQ6Y>] (FR) in the two working languages of the Authority. Further information relating to a formal consultation process in relation to the draft strategic plan will be conveyed in due course.

The Secretary-General avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the members of the Authority and observers the assurances of his highest consideration.

26 February 2018



To: All Members of the International Seabed Authority  
All Observers to the International Seabed Authority