

**Dr. Geneviève Béchar**

Dr. Geneviève Béchar was appointed Hydrographer General of Canada and Director General for the Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS) with Fisheries and Oceans Canada in February 2018. She has joined CHS at an exciting time when there are profound changes in the world of hydrography as we go digital. She previously held executive positions with the Government of Canada at the Canada Centre for Remote Sensing, the Geological Survey of Canada and the Meteorological Service of Canada. Dr. Béchar was recently elected as the new Chair of the International Hydrographic Organization Council. She also serves as Vice-chair of the United States – Canada Hydrographic Commission, Vice-chair of the Arctic Regional Hydrographic Commission and as Canadian Co-Chair of the Lake Ontario St. Lawrence River Board of the International Joint Commission.