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(e) IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador Scheme

Update on the IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador Scheme

Note by the Secretary-General

SUMMARY

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| <i>Executive summary:</i> | This document informs the Council on the status of the IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador (IMO-GMA) Scheme for 2024, and provides detailed activity reports from those active IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors in its annex. |
| <i>Strategic direction, if applicable:</i> | Not applicable |
| <i>Output:</i> | OW 2 |
| <i>Action to be taken:</i> | Paragraph 5 |
| <i>Related documents:</i> | None |

Background

1 IMO Member States, intergovernmental organizations in cooperation with IMO and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with IMO were again invited to participate in the IMO-GMA scheme for the period 2024 to 2025 by identifying and nominating an "IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador" and submit the requisite nomination forms that were made available on the IMO website. The deadline for the receipt of nominations was 30 November 2023.

2 Upon the close of the nomination period, and after a review of the applications received, the thirty-five IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors now represent twenty-three nominating authorities, currently seventeen Member States and six non-governmental organizations.

3 A list of the current IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors can be found on the IMO website at the following link: <https://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/ERO/Pages/Maritime-Ambassadors-list.aspx>

4 Reports received by those active IMO-GMAs during the period under review are set out in the annex.

Action requested of the Council

5 The Council is invited to note the information contained in this document and its annex.

ANNEX

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR ACTIVITY REPORTS
REPORT PERIOD 1 JULY TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Dr. Sajid Hussain |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Bangladesh |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presented a key-note paper titled 'Prospects of Maritime and Seafaring Professions' at MarineTech Bangladesh Expo 2023 Seminar held on 28 July 2023 at Dhaka (Capital). • Presented a key-note paper titled 'Maritime Education towards smart Bangladesh' at Bangladesh Marine Community (BMCS) Seminar held on 1 September 2023 in Singapore. • Conducted a lecture series for the young male & female Pre-Sea and Post-Sea Cadets (20 sessions having average 200 Cadets at a time). Lectures covered Leadership and Teamwork and various aspects of maritime & seafaring career, progression and world shipping practice. • As part of the Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University (Bangladesh), examined the Bachelor's Dissertation defence (sessions having five Cadets in each). • Visited local schools, colleges & universities; interacted and inspired the prospective young students about the various prospective maritime professions based on oceans. • Arranged media coverage of our Academy's activities in cooperation with the TV/Radio, newspapers and social media. |
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| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Propagated the World Maritime theme among the Cadets, Marine & Shipping personnel. Awareness activities continued with the spirit of the International Day for Women in Maritime (18 May 2023) among the prospective young students and Maritime Women.• Participated actively in promoting the themes of World Maritime Day (28 Sept), International Plastic Bag Free Day (3 July), Zero Emissions Day (21 Sept), World Rivers Day (24 Sept) and IMO activities through LinkedIn, Facebook, emails and WhatsApp to around 16,000 contact persons (Marine & Shipping professionals and Trainee Cadets), ship management companies, educational institutions, ports, shipping and marine offices. Also published magazines & supplements in various journals. |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initiated and installed a Full-mission Engine Control Simulator at Academy.• Continued keeping due role as a Member of the Board of Governors of World Maritime University, Sweden.• Continued keeping due role as a Member of Senate, Syndicate, Council & Finance Committee of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman Maritime University, Bangladesh.• Continued keeping due role as a Fellow of International Association of Marine and Shipping Professionals, Switzerland.• Selected as a Sea Ambassador of International Seafarers' Welfare and Assistance Network for 2023-2024.• Contributed in IMarEST London's activities; I am actively attached to IMarEST since 1990 and now a Trustee (since 2020), Fellow (since 2006), Council Member (since 2017), a Recognized Speaker (since 2021), a Chartered Marine Engineer (since 2006) of IMarEST and a Chartered Engineer of the UK Engineering Council (since 2017).• Maintained close links with various ship management companies for placement of the Cadets on ocean-going national/foreign-flagged ships. The 57th batch (272 Cadets) has passed out on 31 December 2023; will now proceed to sea for their 3rd Year (of 4-years' Bachelor [honours] degree programme) Practical Apprenticeship. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Alexander G. Alexandrov |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Bulgaria |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 events to promote maritime professions, in particular maritime law; raised awareness of maritime culture, referring to IMO's role and its legislative instruments to promote safer shipping and cleaner oceans (~60 students); • 1 festival under the EU initiative EMD in my country (projection of a maritime film ~40 participants); |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 radio interview on 08.10.2023 – National Radio Burgas Branch (IMO WMD): highlight the importance of shipping and seafarers (Q&A about this year theme, some approaches to maritime culture and new technologies); • 1 publication about the celebration of the international maritime days (IMO, EU, UN) and some practical steps how the Bulgarian maritime community can be more involved; • 2 presentations about the International Black Sea Day in order to stress attention about its geopolitical importance and IMO in the Middle East region (~50 students); • 1 webinar of Nautical Institute-Navigating the Future |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance IMO GWMA meeting and WMD in present; • 2 appointments with responsible staff of Ministries to discuss opportunities for proposals • Goodwill Ambassadors Idea to be implemented in Danube Commission and Black Sea Commission (November 2023). |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Dimitar Georgiev Dimitrov |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Bulgaria |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |
| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>2023-07-27 Participation and support to the establishment of the Marine Scientific Society in Bulgaria</p> <p>2023-08-12 Participation in the graduation ceremony of civil students of "Naval Academy "N. Y. Vaptzarov" in Varna, Bulgaria. Award was presented to a graduation student bachelor degree in Navigation on behalf of IMO GMA Capt. Dimitrov</p> <p>2023-08-13 Participation in the graduation ceremony of naval cadets of "Naval Academy "N. Y. Vaptzarov" in Varna, Bulgaria</p> <p>2023-09-15 Participation and welcome address to the students during the opening of the school year in Varna Maritime High School "Saint Nicolas"</p> <p>2023-09-28 Participation in the Norway Innovation Forum and World Maritime Day and MARPOL at 50 forum at IMO Headquarters in London</p> <p>2023-09-07 Participation and intervention on the final conference of ENDORSEME EU project in the "N. Y. Vaptzarov" in Varna, Bulgaria. Shared opinion on the outcome of the project</p> <p>2023-10-26/27 Participation in IFSMA BAGA in Tokyo, Japan. Presentation of the paper <i>"Is the profession of ship captain easier today?"</i></p> <p>2023-11-02 Participation and information share on Third International Partners Meeting ERASMUS+ Project „UMTMS (The Usage of Multipurpose Tasks in Maritime Simulation)</p> <p>2023-11-23 Participation in the conference "New generation simulators based on digital analysis, EI and virtual reality" in the Naval Academy Varna</p> <p>2023-12-04 Letter to the National Education Authorities in Bulgaria in support of maritime professions and the need of maritime specialities in high school education in Varna Maritime High School</p> <p>2023-12-07 Participation in "Naval Academy "N. Y. Vaptzarov" Patron Day in Varna, Bulgaria</p> <p>2023-12-14 Participation and address to the 75th anniversary of Varna Maritime High School "Saint Nicolas"</p> |

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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | 2023-10-10 Information about Norway Innovation Forum and World Maritime Day in Bulgarian Shipmasters Association Board |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. He Jianzhong |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | China |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> |
| | <p>In July 2023, China celebrated its 19th "China Maritime Day" with extensive support from the Ministry of Transport and the China Association for Science and Technology. I led the organization of a week-long series of activities centered around the "China Maritime Forum," themed "Sailing for the New Maritime Silk Road, Heading Towards the Development Paradigm." The aim was to facilitate exchanges in the maritime sector, foster consensus for development, and deepen cooperation.</p> <p>Throughout the week, we hosted various events such as the China Maritime Forum, Academic Conference, Science Popularization Week, Nautical Expo, and Maritime Culture Activity. These activities, involving over 230 institutions, set records in terms of scale, diversity, and participation.</p> <p>In addition to the main forums, we organized specialized discussions on topics like ship technology, safety, seafarers, port development, dredging, sustainable ocean shipping, and maritime culture. These thematic forums engaged the industry, promoting a holistic approach to maritime fields.</p> <p>The Nautical Expo showcased maritime technology achievements, drawing over 50,000 visitors. Main events were conducted both online and offline, with live-streamed press conferences and forums on multiple platforms. The launch of #ChinaMaritimeDay# on Weibo garnered over 100 million reads.</p> |

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| <p>2</p> | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p>On September 7, I attended the scholarship award ceremony for the 2021-2022 academic year of the China Institute of Navigation—Zhang Rongfa Foundation. I encouraged maritime students to excel in their studies while also contributing to society. I urged them to grasp knowledge, think critically, and stay updated on technology trends. It's essential to engage in scientific research, uphold the spirit of science, and foster innovation. Additionally, I emphasized the importance of developing a broad perspective, cherishing cultural heritage, and promoting the maritime spirit of the new era. This spirit reflects the values of maritime practitioners and serves as a driving force for industry advancement. I urged students to embrace their role as inheritors of this spirit and contribute to the industry's high-quality development.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>To deepen collaboration under the "Belt and Road" initiative, the China Institute of Navigation, along with 21 organizations, proposed joint efforts to promote international port and shipping technology cooperation.</p> <p>In terms of academic exchange, a committee of 17 experts selected and published the top ten cases in intelligent shipping, while keynote speeches offered insights into navigational trends and future directions. The conference's live broadcast reached 110,000 viewers through various media platforms.</p> <p>Additionally, the "Silk Road Maritime" International Cooperation Forum, established in 2018, has expanded to 317 member organizations, connecting 131 ports in 43 countries worldwide. Focused on infrastructure, rules, and cultural exchanges, the forum aims to advance international maritime cooperation.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Xu Zuyuan |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | China |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">On July 11, 2023, I participated in the events of "World Maritime Day" and "China Maritime Day" held in China, with 500 participants in-person and 30,000 online participants. In the afternoon, I delivered the keynote speech during the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the restoration of the lawful seat of the People's Republic of China in the International Maritime Organization, calling on all relevant parties to highly value the guiding direction and requirements of the International Maritime Organization in the healthy development of global maritime affairs. I emphasized active participation in initiatives for maritime safety, the protection of seafarers' rights, and green carbon reduction, and stressed the importance of strengthening cooperation and sharing results. 60 participants in person and 5,000 online participants attended the event. All events were broadcast live to the public worldwide.On July 12, 2023, during the "World Maritime Day" event in China, I attended the "Chinese Captains & Chief Engineers Salon" in Cangzhou City, Hebei Province, and delivered the keynote speech, highlighting the seafarers as the key to ensuring the smooth flow of international trade and the main force of maritime transportation. I called for societal respect for seafarers' labor, care for their lives, and protection of their rights. The event was broadcast live to the public worldwide, with 120 participants in person and approximately 20,000 online participants. |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">On July 25, I attended the High-Quality Development Forum for Inland Waterway Transportation in Wuhan and delivered the keynote speech. I proposed that we should fully pay attention to the training and rights protection of inland river and lake seafarers to cultivate the main force for the integrated development of river and sea transportation. The forum was broadcast live to the public worldwide, with 200 participants in person and 30,000 online participants. |

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| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• On October 26, I attended the Rescue and Salvage Forum in Shanghai and delivered the speech, emphasizing that the rescue of seafarers' lives should be the primary responsibility of governments participating in international maritime affairs and the important manifestation of fulfilling international obligations. It is crucial to ensure that shore-based support serves as the biggest resource for seafarers to escape when encountering any peril at sea. 200 participants in person and approximately 20,000 online participants attended the event. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Alexandros Josephides |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Cyprus |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Delivered a speech at an event organised by the Shipping Deputy Ministry of Cyprus to brief the new Cypriot cadets entering the Greek Merchant Marine academies. (30 attendees in total)Delivered 5 seafaring and maritime careers presentations at high schools (490 attendees in total).Delivered a career presentation at Public Institute of Higher Vocational Education and Training (20 attendees).Participated in a career fair organised by a public high school.Delivered a presentation at CMMI Regional Forum for Blue Skills, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2adoF51femg. (100 attendees in total)Participated in a career fair organised by the Career Counselling and Educational Services of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports and Youth. |
| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | My organization promotes, organises events and shares information, on all of the above IMO initiatives, with the shipping company members and also to the wider public, always issuing relevant Press Releases to local and international media. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Running of the "Adopt a Ship" Programme with the participation of 102 vessels and elementary school classes, a new record for the 2023-2024 academic year.Offered advice and shared information to help interested organisations to run the "Adopt a Ship" Programme abroad.Provided assistance to young cadets to find placements on ships for their required cadetship training. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Nugzar Bolkvadze |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Georgia |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization</p> <p>Please find below and attached files of all activities carried out by myself from July-2023 to Dec-2023:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awareness rising of IMO Ambassador's Scheme and importance of efficient shipping. Building up the awareness and working/safety culture of seafarers and Quality performance (During sea service period onboard). - My (as the Master's) detailed recommendation to the New Company's development to the right direction in new ERA related to Quality, effective training system and trustfull and common vision target based working culture. • Creation of 150 examination tests for 'ECDIS' (Can be used for Georgian seafarers OR any interested parties in Maritime industry). • Creation of additional 50 examination tests for 'Shiphandling' (Can be used for Georgian seafarers OR any interested parties in Maritime industry). (in total 250 tests in 'Shiphandling'). |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea</p> <p>As above</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July- Dec-2023 – Assistance, Online Communications (by social media and e-mail) and instructions for Georgian seafarers. • 25-July-2023 m/v "INA Lotte" (call sign- ZGHY1)- instructions (Online Communications by social media) for unexperience Cadet. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4-July-2023 Meeting with Consultation group (6 Georgian Masters) and new Director of Georgian Maritime Agency and discussion regarding challenges and planned optimizing actions to be stepped up for Georgian Maritime sector. = Duration- 2 hrs 45 min.• 18-July-2023 Meeting with Consultation group (8 Georgian Masters and Director of Georgian Maritime Agency) and Minister of Economic and discussion regarding main challenges, existing issues in Maritime sector and steps to be planned for timely implementation (especially in respect of MLC matters and building up the professionalism for Georgian Seafarers). = Duration 2 hrs / Total 13 persons. |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Sabine Zeller |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Germany |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>Ongoing – Education marketing – Maritimes Bündnis (German maritime alliance) - maintenance of the new website for education and career options in the maritime sector as well as a marketing campaign</p> <p>Ongoing – Education marketing – Development of social media campaigns and continuous posting, with two channels on Instagram (one for young people with no prior connection to maritime sector, one for young people receiving training in the maritime sector) and one channel on YouTube</p> <p>Ongoing – Education marketing – participation in career events on several occasions (digital formats as well as physical)</p> <p>14th/15th September – Exhibition of art prints of social media project for anniversary of dual apprenticeship system for "Schiffsmechaniker" (ship mechanics) during National Maritime Conference</p> <p>10th/11th October – Workshop – Bremer Schifffahrtskongress (Shipping Congress Bremen) – conference with approx. 150 participants, moderation of Workshop "The challenge of recruitment in the maritime industry "</p> <p>Presentation of Awards for Excellency as Trainer, as Teacher and as Company involved in the Education of Apprentice Ship Mechanics during the Bremer Schifffahrtskongress.</p> <p>14th November – Organisation of celebration of 40th anniversary of German maritime dual apprenticeship system</p> <p>15th November – Organisation and moderation of 2nd conference for all parties engaged in ship mechanic apprenticeship scheme (Company Training Officers, Ship Training Officers, Teachers from Maritime Schools)</p> <p>17th November – Participation in induction lecture for on-board training for students at Bremen University of Applied Sciences</p> <p>10th December – Participation in radio programme "Gruß an Bord", which delivers greetings and well wishes to seafarers on Christmas Eve</p> |
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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. 28th September – promotion of the world maritime day on social media accounts |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. Ongoing– WISTA project group network – participation with the aim to inspire young women to find their career in the maritime sector Two-weekly video conferences on the welfare of seafarers during the Pandemic with representatives of employers and seafarers' unions, seaman's missions, port authorities and health officials Ongoing – Participation in the Maritimes Bündnis (maritime alliance) as representative for vocational training for seafarers in Germany |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Leonidas Dimitriadis-Evgenidis |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Greece |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p>IMO's World Maritime Day</p> <p>"MARPOL at 50 – Our commitment goes on" Conference dedicated to reducing the environmental footprint of shipping, the importance of the 17 goals of the IMO and its role in global shipping, held on the celebration of World Maritime Day. The conference was organized by Isalos.net in collaboration with the British Embassy and the Norwegian Embassy and was held under the auspices of the Maritime Chamber.</p> <p>Participants 420</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>78th United Nations General Assembly "Opportunities: Renewable Oceans and Sustainable Maritime Industry Initiatives" Participation in the Science Conference of the 78th General Assembly of the United Nations. It was highlighted the role and contribution of the shipping industry in achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Dr. Estephan Assal |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Lebanon |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>July 17. As the Executive Director of MARSATI, the only maritime academy in Lebanon and in collaboration with the UK Department for Transport , the Directorate General of Land and Maritime Transport of Lebanon and with the participation of officers from the Lebanese Security Services, we have hosted the Port Facility Security Officer refresher course.</p> <p>August. Participated in the opening of the Lebanese Navy Academy in Jounieh- Lebanon where we had discussed and shared our ideas regarding the importance of different types of simulators which form an essential training tool for the students Maritime academies.</p> <p>September 10. Participated in the award ceremony of the annual tournament held by GAG Organization in Batroun. Since supporting youth and the community is one of my main priorities, being a part of this tradition is immensely rewarding.</p> <p>September 23. In Partnership with EDELWEISS I had the opportunity to launch a free vaccine campaign for our seafarers to protect them from the yellow fever disease. The free vaccine program for seafarers is a vital step towards safeguarding the health and well-being of those who keep our global trade networks afloat. This initiative ensures that they have easy access to vaccines, protecting their health and enabling them to continue their essential work with confidence.</p> <p>October 10- 11. Hosting a series of workshops whose aim is to provide the youth with a practical and engaging introduction to the maritime industry and the life of seafarers, and to equip them with essential survival skills, as well as to provide them with a glimpse of the challenging and rewarding life at sea. Those workshops focused on firefighting, first aid, and rescue.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p>July 25. Participated in "The Blue Humanities Leading the Way to Sustainability" round table event in the International Center for Human Sciences - UNESCO in partnership with Hanns Seidel Foundation and the Maritime Sciences and Technology Institute. In my intervention I</p> |

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| | <p>focused on how the empowerment of women positively impacts the overall work in the maritime sector, in addition to the requirements to update the laws and the administrative mechanization to strengthen this sector.</p> <p>December. I had the opportunity to visit the Minister of Public Works along with the General Director of Land and Maritime Transport where we had the opportunity to discuss several issues concerning the maritime sectors nowadays, as well as the decisions following their meetings in the IMO.</p> <p>October 31. Participated in Co-Evolve conference in Tunisia, where I had the opportunity to meet the Minister of Public Works and Transport, the Minister of Agriculture and Water, and other Tunisian resources. The event fostered dynamic networking, strengthening partnerships for a sustainable Blue Mediterranean region, encouraging harmony between human activities and nature, ensuring a vibrant future for all. I had the opportunity to talk through MARPOL convention which includes regulations that aim at preventing ship pollution. In this event, our booth stood out whose aim was to introduce attendees to the captivating maritime life, as well as to highlight the diverse career opportunities withing this sector.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>July 10 . Attending the first Arab-Hellenic Maritime Conference in Athens accompanied by the Lebanese Minister of Public Works and Transportation Dr. Ali Hamieh. This event was organized by the Arab-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce and Development, with the participation of ministers and ambassadors from around the globe, alongside more than a one hundred Arab and Greek companies specialized in transport. In my participation I have highlighted the importance of developmental integration between the Eastern and Western Mediterranean in the fields of maritime transportation as well as the importance of Lebanese ports in the maritime industry and the economics of maritime transport.</p> <p>September 28. Participating in the IMO Good Will Maritime Ambassadors' annual meeting in IMO London and meeting the Secretary General Mr. Kitack Lim when I had the chance to convey the concerns and requirements of the Lebanese maritime sector, as well as ways to strengthen this sector and activating the role of the youth in it.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Francisco de Jesús Riveros García |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | México |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>Meetings to raise awareness about seafarer's education and maritime industry were organized in different occasions (3); one with the Merchant Marine Professional Association of Ensenada; others with the Mexican Seafarers Honour Legion and the National Shipping Chambers Association.</p> <p>For the same purposes, four different conferences were provided; the first three with the architecture, economic, and law students of the Higher Studies Faculty Acatlán (UNAM) in Mexico City about "IMO International Regulations", and the second one to the National Fishing Industry Chamber (CANAIPECA) members and guests about "Shipping Management at the Fishing Industry"; an average of 250 presential attendees per conference were registered.</p> |
| | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea</p> <p>A campaign of 7 short promos was created and published through Twitter, LinkedIn and WhatsApp to support IMO's online campaigns and maritime issues (+20k direct contacts were reached).</p> <p>An effort to attend in-person, the IMO World Maritime Day Reception in London was successfully provided; substantial experiences and information was exchanged, and clear directions were received at our IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors meeting. At the same time, meaningful debriefings and insights were exchanged with members of the Permanent Representation of México team at the IMO Headquarters, Attorney at Law Adel Asrawi, and Merchant Marine Captain Mauricio Cruz.</p> |

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| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference |
| | Using chosen social media for the specific effort (IMO-GMA) I published four articles about the following topics: Hurricane Otis experience to improve maritime training, Maritime Law vs Law of the Seas; according with Linkedin 17,322 contacts were reached. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Ms. Susana Díaz Virgen |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | México |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">I had the pleasure of hosting the students of the Specialty in Sea and Maritime Law, diplomates of National Maritime Authority and Port Captains and Maritime and Port Protection Officer Promotions XV and XIII from the Naval Higher Studies Center. In the session they learned about the organization's innovation projects, the volume distribution by industry, shipping and about the importance of the maritime sector in general. |
| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Work and breakfast meetings were held with Customs Agents and transport directors in order to promote Day of women in Maritime in addition to highlighting its fundamental role in maritime trade. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Ms. Josephine J. Francisco |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Philippines |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>The IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador, in collaboration with NYK-TDG Maritime Academy, NTMA Alumni Societas Inc., and dedicated volunteer seafarers, executed a comprehensive series of Career Orientation Seminars across various provinces in the Philippines from September to December 2023. Aimed at inspiring and guiding youth towards a maritime career, the seminars covered a range of topics about the maritime industry. Active marine officers and engineers shared first-hand experiences during these discussions, providing valuable insights for the high school students. The campaign reached a total of 3308 students from different senior high schools, with the following breakdown from each location: 481 from Iloilo, 479 from Quezon, 423 from Oriental Mindoro, 379 from Camarines Norte, 635 from Mountain Province, 85 from Metro Manila, 707 combined from Ifugao and Nueva Vizcaya. This initiative aligns with the Ambassador's core mission of inspiring the younger generation to consider and pursue rewarding careers in the maritime sector..</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea</p> <p>The IMO-GMA has spearheaded an online campaign in promoting the World Maritime theme. Through online postings during the World Maritime Day, the Ambassador has shared insightful contents, engaging a global audience in discussions surrounding the maritime industry's importance and also important lessons in protecting the environment from pollution from ships.</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference</p> <p>Seafarers Dialogue and Dependents Assembly</p> <p>In the second half of 2023, the IMO-GMA continued her advocacy for the seafaring profession through both on-site and virtual dialogues and assemblies. Held in Manila and across various provinces, these sessions updated on-vacation seafarers and families on industry</p> |

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| | <p>developments, safety measures, green shipping, etc. The on-site activities, with 140 seafarers and 340 dependents, and virtual dialogues with 500 seafarers covered critical subjects like on-board safety, behavior, mental health, and environmental protection. The Ambassador, aligning with UN SDGs, emphasized sustainability and highlighted the crucial role of seafarers and dependents in community programs. This outreach strategy underscores her commitment to diverse audiences, even in remote provinces, reinforcing the positive impact of the maritime industry on families and communities, and maintaining the Philippines as a leading seafarer-producing nation.</p> <p>Seafarers and Dependents Christmas Party</p> <p>The IMO-GMA and her team recently organized two Christmas Party Programs for seafarers and their dependents, drawing a participation of 300 dependents and 150 vacationing seafarers. This facilitated direct engagement and interaction between the seafarers, their families, and the Ambassador. Attendees had the privilege of hearing insights from the Ambassador about the maritime industry, fostering a sense of community. Moreover, these events provide an avenue for families to come together, promoting a stronger bond within the maritime profession. The parties also featured valuable discussions where senior officers and engineers shared first-hand experiences, offering guidance and insights into career paths, lessons learned, and advice for junior officers and engineers.</p> <p>YWCA FFPI 97th Anniversary Celebration</p> <p>The Young Women Christian Association Founder's Federation of the Philippines, Inc. (YWCAFFPI), a non-profit organization dedicated to women empowerment and youth development, celebrated its 97th Anniversary with the theme "Accountability, Sustainability, and Connectivity." Attended by 500 members, the event featured a candlelight ceremony, a Nativity Story presentation by YWCA members, and the induction of newly elected officers, including the IGM Ambassador. This significant partnership, spanning many years, has allowed the IGM Ambassador to reach a broad audience, providing orientation on job opportunities, livelihood, marine environment protection, and educational support to the youth in various provinces.</p> |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Vice Admiral Eduardo Ma R Santos |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Philippines |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>I have continued my weekly television program for Seafarers which covered success stories of seafarers, the situation in the ship-manning industry; policies and programs of the government, the shipping/manning companies, the seafarer unions, livelihood projects for the families of seafarers, health tips etc. issuances of the IMO were also discussed. This year, we started tips on livelihood projects for seafarers' families.</p> <p>On September 5, 2023, as a prelude to the Opening of the Seafarers' Museum of the Associated Marine Officers' and Seamen's Union of the Philippines (AMOSUP), I gave an interview on the importance of museums in the life of organizations such as AMOSUP, the ITF and the labor movement in seafaring. Also, discussed the impact of IMO and ILO on the lives of seafarers especially Filipino seafarers.</p> <p>To Kick Off the Maritime Week Activities in the country, AMOSUP held a Catholic Mass for 600 AMOSUP members and staff. Then, I laid a floral wreath to honor departed seafarers. After the breakfast for all attendees, I gave a speech on keeping safe at sea not only for their physical well-being but for their long-term health as well.</p> <p>On October 5, I was a Panelist during the International Safety for Sea Conference. Talked about safety culture at sea and ashore. Answered questions on new issuances of IMO on Safety and as usual, developments on new engines and alternative fuels.</p> |
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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | <p>On July 10, 2023, World Youth Day, gave speeches to one youth group on a seafaring career and also to maritime cadets to motivate them to work harder in the pursuit of their dreams to become merchant maritime officers.</p> <p>During the Crew Connect Conference in Manila, attended the ITF Just Transition Task Force Meeting and brought up the role of Maritime Schools in preparing prospective seafarers for the developments in Digitalization and Decarbonization.</p> |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
| | <p>On 13 December, MAAP held its Commencement Ceremonies for the second batch of the Class of 2023 with <u>209</u> graduates adding to a total of 430 graduates for the year. All have shipping company sponsors and will report to their respective companies in July. These are the latest additions to the international merchant fleet.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Ambassador Carlos C. Salinas |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Phillipines |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued promotion of Project RISE: Resiliency Improvement Support and Education Philippines. Since the beginning of 2023, Project RISE has grown and is now active in 429 local government units, partnered with 128 educational institutions and trained 788 Master Trainers under the Master Trainer Program (MTP) and a total reach of 14,000 citizens engaged. • Engagement with the youth through Sea Mariners with an expanded reach of close to 283 mariners, recruited to pursue a career in maritime through continued learning sessions. Organized 5 coastal cleanups with Sea Mariner cadets to highlight environmental awareness. • Ongoing collaboration for My Ship, My World on innovations to continue to educate and inspire students to pursue maritime careers through awareness orientation sessions for grade 6 and 9. • School caravans across the country by our Talent Acquisition Group (TAG) which reached an audience of 70,500 students across several universities engaging in career talks, job fairs and mock interviews with a yield of 1,200 applicants. • Recognition of my company, Philippine Transmarine Carriers, as an Ocean Titan committed to sustainability and saving our oceans by raising awareness and the need for highly qualified global maritime professionals through continuous education and training. • Guest speaker for a roundtable discussion with WMU students on maritime policies and laws. • Partnership with print and digital daily The Manila Times and circulation of maritime social media posts with a reach of 300,000 |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognition of exemplary performance of global maritime professionals (GMPs) in honour of IMO's 2023 Day of the Seafarer through video messages featuring gratitude for GMPs and their contribution to the industry. • Recognition of the role and contribution of women in the industry on IMO's International Day for Women in Maritime, by inviting female cadets to a symposium with the theme "Women moving the world." • Celebration of National Seafarer's Week last September 2023. Organized wellness talks, financial literacy seminars, and a variety show with active participation of PTC global maritime professionals. Activities were aligned with the Maritime and Archipelagic Nation Awareness Month (MANAMo) 2023 theme, "Kapuluan, Kabuluhan, Kaunlaran" (Archipelago, Significance, and Development) which focused on the adverse effects of pollution in our oceans and outlining various interventions to address this. |

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| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awarded with Crew Management Award for Project RISE from Safety 4 Sea and Lifetime Achievement Award from WMOC Group of Companies with both events used as a platform to share our advocacy on the value of the global maritime professionals and elevating the maritime industry.• Participated in Expo Maritime Philippines alongside industry leaders to present support for maritime programs of President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr.• In our commitment to the UN Global Compact on sustainability in maritime our training facility, PHILCAMSAT has aligned our Capstone and Cornerstone (2C) program to the Maritime Just Transition initiatives in right skilling, upskilling and green skilling our global maritime professionals.• Participation in Seatrade Maritime Crew Global 2023. Organized a welcome dinner for the speakers and industry representatives last November 2023. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Ovidiu-Sorin Cupşa |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Romania |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>On August 9th, Ovidiu-Sorin Cupşa was invited to the "Administration and Politics" show of Antena 3 Constanţa Television, during which he spoke about the evolution of Romanian seafarers in the international maritime industry.</p> <p>On August 31st, CERONAV General Manager, Ovidiu-Sorin Cupşa was invited to the "Punctul pe I" show of Tomis TV, where he spoke about the labour market in the maritime field and about CERONAV investments.</p> <p>On September 12th, Ovidiu-Sorin Cupşa was invited to "Focus Press", a local media website, where he discussed the topic of CERONAV's activity.</p> <p>On September 18th, CERONAV General Manager was invited to Antena 3, in the show "On the subject" where he debated with the moderator the theme "War, a pressure on sailors?"</p> <p>On September 27th and 28th, CERONAV General Manager, Ovidiu Sorin Cupşa participated in the World Maritime Day 2023, which was celebrated at the headquarters of the International Maritime Organization. During the event, the 6th Meeting of IMO Maritime Ambassadors was also held. The World Maritime Theme of 2023 was "MARPOL at 50 - Our Commitment Continues".</p> <p>On October 25th, the meeting of the Transport Group Inland Surface Transport (TG IST) took place in Brussels, at NATO headquarters. During the works, Ovidiu Sorin Cupşa emphasized the important role that CERONAV has in the field of professional training in the naval sector and presented the opportunity for the military personnel to be trained at CERONAV in the field of safety and survival at sea.</p> |
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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | On September 27th and 28th, CERONAV General Manager, Ovidiu Sorin Cupşa participated in the World Maritime Day 2023. Ovidiu Sorin Cupşa stated that the MARPOL Convention is the main international convention aimed at preventing pollution of the marine environment by ships. This year's theme promotes the IMO's activity to further protect the planet and the oceans and underlines the importance of the International Convention for the prevention of pollution by ships, from operational or accidental causes. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Akanksha Batura Pai |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Singapore |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| NAME: | Choo Weixiang Jonathan |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Singapore |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>Notwithstanding a busy H2 2023 for both IMO GMAs, both Singapore IMO GMAs continue to actively promote and raise awareness of the maritime industry amongst the youth during H2 2024, participating and supporting the various youth programs and events organised by the Maritime Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) and the Singapore Shipping Association (SSA). Notable highlights for the H2 of 2023 include:</p> <p><u>SSA</u> Akanksha delivered her strong annual review at the SSA AGM as the Chairperson of the SSA Young Executives Group (YEG) for the 2021/2023 term. Under her tenure, YEG had organized a large number of activities and initiatives. She has now moved from being the Chairperson of the SSA YEG to being the Vice-Chairperson for the International Committee. She remains on the SSA Council.</p> <p>Both Singapore IMO GMAs continued their active participation as members of the Youth Executive Group Committee (YEG) of the SSA, with Akanksha and Jonathan serving in the EXCO where both continue to support the new Chairman of the YEG with various youth outreach and educational programmes. Notable events organised by the SSA YEG which Akanksha and Jonathan were involved in, as well as SSA events which both participated in, are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The annual flagship SSA Gala Dinner 2023, which facilitated the interaction of young emerging talent and young professionals with the more senior members of the industry. • Pink Ribbon Walk 2023 where youths in the maritime industry participated to support breast cancer awareness. • The YEG Year End Networking Event 2023 attended by approximately 180 young marine professionals. <p><u>MPA</u> Jonathan and Akanksha attended the #MaritimeSG Youth Ambassadors (MYA) Appointment Ceremony at the newly refreshed Singapore Maritime Gallery on 5 August 2023. They continue to</p> |
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| | <p>lend their support in various ways to this flagship student ambassadorship programme run by MPA.</p> <p>Lent their support to MPA's new marketing campaign 'Sea the Difference' by sharing the videos and messaging on social media after it officially launched on 24 November 2023. They remain constantly in touch with the Communications Department and the MPA team to lend their support for further collaborative efforts between the IMO GMAs and MPA.</p> <p>After having been the moderator for the official launch of the Smart Port Challenge at the Asia Tech Festival in June, Akanksha also lent her support to the Pier 71 Smart Port Challenge Accelerator Programme by attending various networking events and introducing more potential start ups to the programme.</p> <p>More importantly, Akanksha was also a semi-final judge at the PIER71 Smart Port Challenge – this is Singapore's flagship maritime start up competition.</p> <p>SMF</p> <p>Again, both Singapore IMO GMAs continued their support for SMF with the development of a talent pool that will support the maritime industry's growth. Notable highlights include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both Singapore IMO GMAs continue to support SMF's outreach to students, assisting with and supporting SMF's structured internship programme(s) as well as supporting SMF with speaking engagements at various schools, including a tertiary level engagement and a secondary school level engagement. • Specifically, Akanksha rallied colleagues at two of her companies – Sinoda Shipping Agency Pte Ltd & Raks International Pte Ltd – to take on interns from SMF's MaritimeOne programme in order to support the initiative and to offer higher exposure to students. • Likewise, Jonathan continues to assist the SMF with their outreach to law students to consider a career in maritime law. In August, he attended a networking lunch organised by the SMF for law students which provided opportunities for the law student attendees to understand that various options available to them in the maritime sector. In December, he worked closely with the SMF on their structured law internship programme which provided law students the opportunity to work with experienced maritime law practitioners and increasing their exposure to the maritime industry. • Akanksha and Jonathan gave talks to students and also were present at SMF's booth at the Worldskills ASEAN 2023 aimed at teachers, student career consultants and secondary/ high school students in order to increase their awareness of, and their exposure to the various career opportunities in maritime, and to answer any queries that they may have. • Continued support with SMF's MaritimeOne Scholarships by attending the Scholarship Ceremony which was attended by ministers and senior shipping executives and students; as well as assisting SMF with the scholarship documentation and risk management framework for maritime student activities. |
| <p>2</p> | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea</p> <p>In addition to the above, Akanksha moderated a panel session entitled "Talent and Wellbeing: How To Drive Innovation by Prioritising & Developing Human Capital." at the Smart Maritime Network when it took place in Singapore in November, 2024. Themes of diversity, work-life balance and mental health were discussed and IMO's various initiatives were discussed during the session.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference</p> <p>Other notable activities other than those organised by the MPA, SMF and SSA, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continued participation as active alumni of their alma mater – National University of Singapore (NUS) – both Akanksha and Jonathan continue to actively engaged NUS students to increase the student's awareness of the maritime industry and maritime careers. • Akanksha attended the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers Singapore Annual Awards Ceremony 2023 as IMO GMA and assisted to spread the word of the various lucrative career opportunities available in maritime. |

- Akanksha was awarded the NUS Outstanding Young Alumni Award by her alma mater. NUS recognized her contribution to maritime and also as IMO GMA and this further increased awareness of our industry with the current students and alumni of NUS. She is one of few awardees – from the inception of the awards – from the maritime industry.
- Akanksha contributed her experience and expertise gleaned from her work in an SME logistics company – Raks International Pte Ltd - to an article and thought piece published by the Singapore Logistics Association. The article discussed issues of diversity and women empowerment.
- Akanksha was awarded Woman Achiever of the Year by the Mariners Cricket Club, Singapore – a community of maritime professionals headquartered in Singapore. She spoke about the attractiveness of the industry and encouraged the many young people attending the event as well.
- Akanksha shared her thoughts as a young minority female in a fairly traditional and male dominated industry in an article by Maritime Fairtrade and was also featured as a Maritime Leader by the same publication.
- Akanksha was part of the dedicated Steering Committee of The 3rd Marine and Offshore Renewables Expo 2023 themed - "Navigating the Blue Transition: Advancements in Offshore Renewables from Oil & Gas" that took place on 20 September 2023. She emceed the entire event and also moderated one of the sessions regarding attracting and retaining talent not just in the maritime industry but in the renewables industry as well.

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Antonio M. Padron-Santiago |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Spain |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>27.SEPTEMBER.2023 – Attended the IMO-GMA Annual Meeting > 20 Participants</p> <p>17.OCTOBER.2023 – Conference. CENTRO DE INNOVACION E INTEGRACION DE COMPETENCIAS (CIIC), PANAMA. > 50 Participants</p> <p>27.OCTOBER.2023 – Conference. OPERADORA PORTUARIA CENTROAMERICANA (OPC). HONDURAS > 30 Participants</p> <p>27.OCTOBER.2023 – Conference. UCENM UNIVERSITY. HONDURAS > 50 Participants</p> <p>28.OCTOBER.2023 – Attended the Ceremony of first Graduates of the Port Management and Maritime Transportation Degree. UCENM UNIVERSITY. HONDURAS >300 Participants</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>BOARDING PROGRAM FOR MARITIME CADETS Collaborating entities 168 from 22 different countries Cadets in the job listing 782 (Awaiting for embarkation) from 18 different countries TOTAL CADETS involved 1.171 (since the creation of the Program in 2016) Facebook – 5.591 Followers Twitter – 1.385 Followers LinkedIn – 29.613 Contacts About 38.000 persons have been reached with the IMO-GMA Program in the period concerned https://www.facebook.com/Embajador.OMI.E/, https://twitter.com/Embajador_OMI_E https://linkedin.com/in/antonio-m-padrón-y-santiago-27b91832/</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Agustí Martin Mallofré |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Spain |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> |
| | <p><u>3 July, 2023</u></p> <p>Interview by Catalunya Radio about the fuels of the future and the role of the IMO</p> <p><u>5 September, 2023</u></p> <p>University extension classroom in Sabadell (Barcelona). Conference on sustainability in the marine world</p> <p><u>7 September, 2023</u></p> <p>Symposium in Vilanova i la Geltrú (Barcelona) on improving living conditions on board ships.</p> <p><u>12 September, 2023</u></p> <p>Promotion visit to the Jaime Balmes institute (Barcelona) to promote nautical studies.</p> <p><u>12 October, 2023</u></p> <p>Conference at the Barcelona Boat Show, on marine pollution and the importance of complying with the MARPOL Convention</p> <p><u>20 October, 2023</u></p> <p>Intervention at the IAMU AGA 23 conference in Finland. We presented our work at different work tables on the fuels of the future.</p> <p><u>21 November, 2023</u></p> <p>Intervention in the Governing Committee of the Port of Barcelona to discuss the importance of the electrification of the port's docks.</p> |

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| | <p><u>19 December, 2023</u></p> <p>Seminar about the SOLAS and IMO agreements addressed to the nautical fishing school of l'Ametlla de Mar (Tarragona)</p> <p><u>22 december, 2023</u></p> <p>Participation on Catalunya TV3 television in a program about the environmental problems of the Mediterranean Sea.</p> <p>During the period between july and december 2023, I direct a daily radio program called "Near the sea" where we interview specialists on maritime topics such as good environmental practices and how to improve the maritime environment.</p> |
| <p>2</p> | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p><u>September 20, 2023</u></p> <p>Meeting with Mr. Mike Herzog from the Carnival company. In the presentation I explained the importance of our role as an IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador to be able to embark our cadets.</p> <p><u>September 27, 2023</u></p> <p>During the inauguration of the 2023-2024 academic year in the Faculty of Nautical, I gave a conference on the mission of the IMO Goodwill Ambassador.</p> <p><u>September 28, 2023</u></p> <p>Celebration of World Maritime Day at the Nautical Faculties of Barcelona. Different activities: Information panels, reading of a manifesto about the need for cleaner seas and skies, exhibition of the work done by the students of the faculty.</p> <p>Blue lighting of the façade of the Barcelona Nautical Faculty building.</p> <p><u>November 20, 2023</u></p> <p>Day on awareness of the marine environment at the Stella Maris in Barcelona.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p><u>July 6, 2023</u></p> <p>Within the activities of the XIX Sea and Overseas Summer University organized in Vilassar de Mar (Barcelona), a presentation of the IMO and its main objectives was made.</p> <p><u>July 7, 2023</u></p> <p>A presentation was given to the students of the degree in nautical and maritime transport about the importance of the IMO Goodwill Maritime ambassador and our organization.</p> <p><u>July 21, 2023</u></p> <p>In my lecture in the Latin American Merchant Marine Industry Summit July 21 (Panama), on the future of ships and the role of the IMO in maritime transport.</p> |

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| | <p><u>July 24, 2023</u></p> <p>Presentation to the UPC (Universidad Politécnic de Catalunya) rector's team about the mission of the IMO Goodwill Maritime ambassador.</p> <p><u>September 13, 2023</u></p> <p>Presentation to all teachers of the Faculty of Nautical of Barcelona of Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) and the role of the IMO in the sector.</p> |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Dr. Aysha Albusmait |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | United Arab Emirates |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization. |
| | Date: 23rd October 2023 Time: 11:00-11:45 am Location: Dar AIMarefa, school theatre I had the privilege of being a guest speaker at the career talk event held for 8th and 9th-grade students at Dar AIMarefa School. During the session, I shared insights from my experiences in the field of Maritime Transportation, providing valuable information that greatly benefitted the students. Additionally, I organized a question and answer competition to enhance their knowledge of the Maritime sector. The event drew a total attendance of 90 students, including both genders. It was a rewarding experience to inspire and engage with the students on their career journeys. |
| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | "She of Caliber" initiative August 2023 Total Number of participants:186 participants As part of the efforts to empower women within the strategic plan for the International Maritime Organisation (IMO), and to mark the International Day for Women in Maritime, we launched the "She of Caliber" initiative, which aims to empower women across all fields, particularly in the maritime sector. The initiative also aims to prepare and qualify women who are experts and capable of making a difference in the industry. This will help promote the growth of the maritime sector in the UAE; building on its leading global position. Conducting workshops in empowering women in the maritime sector holds paramount importance for fostering growth and sustainability. Nurturing the expertise and capabilities of female talents, capable of making a significant impact in the industry, contributes to the advancement of the maritime sector in our country. This involves actively engaging in initiatives to qualify and empower women who can play pivotal roles in shaping the industry's future. Furthermore, building strategic partnerships with educational institutions is crucial to |

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| | <p>elevate awareness and interest in women's participation in the maritime sector. Collaborating with these institutions can aid in creating a supportive environment that encourages women to pursue careers in maritime-related fields. Additionally, raising awareness about the significance of maritime education and training is essential for instilling a sense of importance and urgency surrounding the development of expertise in this sector. Through these concerted efforts, we can lay the foundation for a more inclusive and dynamic maritime industry that benefits from the diverse perspectives and contributions of women.</p> <p>Salmen initiative July 2023 Total Number of participants:13000 seafarers</p> <p>Conducting training is a key aspect of the Salem initiative, aimed at elevating our standing among the pioneering nations that safeguard the rights of maritime crews. The foundational principles of the initiative focus on several key factors. Primarily, it involves opening pathways for seafarers to access adequate support, including facilitating optimal healthcare, providing suitable maritime education, and delivering training programs to enhance professional capabilities. Additionally, the initiative addresses the identification and removal of both material and social obstacles, contributing to an environment that supports the well-being and rights of maritime professionals.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Oleg Grygoriuk |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Ukraine |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>Arrangements were made for maritime school cadets in Ukraine to receive crucial insights into their rights, potential career trajectories, and valuable maritime expertise. Additionally, these activities aimed to familiarize them with the initiatives and work of IMO, ITF, and the Trade Union movement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 14 meetings held with the cadets of first and second courses of the National University "Odesa Maritime Academy";- 6 meetings arranged with future seafarers currently studying at the Danube Institute of the National University "Odessa Maritime Academy";- 11 meetings held with cadets of Kherson State Maritime Academy;- acquaintances and interaction with the NU "OMA" entrants during the Open Doors Day in August and January;- regular meetings with cadets from Ukraine, who are studying at the Lithuanian Maritime Academy. <p>Series of meetings was held in Odesa to acquaint cadets with the Virtual Reality facilities and provide them with the option to receive such training upon the necessity.</p> <p>Under the patronage of the Ambassador and with the endorsement of the MORTRANS charity foundation, aid was extended to educational institutions. Specifically, refrigeration equipment and sleeping bags for cadets were procured for NU "OMA."</p> <p>The Ambassador conducted a productive meeting with the President of the Association of Sea Captains' of Odessa, Captain Stanislav Nezavitin, and Captain Sergiy Dudchenko, facilitating the exchange of ideas and experiences among generations of maritime experts. This interaction proves highly beneficial for the development of our industry.</p> <p>The MTWTU Youth Forum and Summer Leadership Camp, conducted under the patronage of the ambassador, featured a presentation by Oleg Grygoriuk.</p> <p>Launched a new offline-meeting format - "Coffee with the Ambassador" with cadets of various courses of NU "OMA", where had the opportunity to share interesting facts and professional advice from my personal maritime experience in non-formal atmosphere.</p> |
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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea at Ambassador's social media. Attending the celebration timed the International Maritime Day at IMO headquarters. Informational activity on raising awareness about the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea, particularly via email briefing among partners and friends. Congratulation to Ukrainian seafarers on the occasion of the World Maritime Day, St.Nicolaus day and Christmas with the presentation of gifts in the form of product kits. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference Negotiations and planning for the MTWTU-ITF Seafarers' Trust-KSMA-LMA Joint Project, and fostering opportunities for more future seafarers to study both at the NU "OMA" and LMA for receiving two diplomas of European standards. In October 2023, 10 cadets have started their studies at LMA. Continuous coverage of the Ambassador's activities and promotion of IMO GMA's work in social networks and in the pro-union published and digital materials. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Oleksii Somin |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Ukraine |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participation in the professional orientation of students of two professional institutions: Kyiv High Professional School of Water Transport and Kyiv College of Maritime and River Fleet. |
| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support, promotion and posting information about the World Maritime theme on the Facebook page "Ships & Engines": https://www.facebook.com/FETSVT• Organization and participation of the annual international scientific and practical conference on maritime and inland water transport activities "Dnieper Readings - 2023", December 7, 2023. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participated as part of the working group for writing a Report to the Secretary General of the International Maritime Organization on Ukraine's fulfillment of the requirements of Regulation I/8 of the STCW 1978 regarding the assessment of the system of quality standards for education, training, competence assessment, and certification and medical examinations of sailors of Ukraine for the period from 2019 to 2023. |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Ms. Carleen Lyden Walker |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | United States of America |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>Between July and December, reached over 13,000 students through programs delivered at summer camps, Boys and Girls Clubs, and Career Fairs, spending more than 121 hours in the field. Ran an internship program for 7 students. Produced an awards program to recognize industry achievements, honoring the principal of the newly formed New York Harbor Middle School. Hosted students from Philadelphia Charter School, New York Harbor High and Middle Schools to visit SUNY Maritime College, tour their new Multi-mission Training Vessel, and attend our Conference. Mentored students on their pathways into the maritime industry.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea</p> <p>Awarded students who won the annual art contest surrounding the WMD theme of MARPOL. Conducted a beach clean-up on the occasion of WMD along with a ship operator. Attended the WMD conference at IMO.</p> <p>Developed a MARPOL Webinar Series deployed throughout 2023, along with incorporating CARIBMEPA to promote MARPOL adoption into Caribbean legislation.</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference</p> <p>Represented the maritime industry at community fora, incorporated Adopt a Ship into our education community, conducted a Marine Science Awards scheme, promoted an ESG101 program for industry to improve their environmental, DEI and governance performance, and supplied the US Coast Guard Auxiliary with 10,000 pieces of education materials to be distributed to the public.</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Rear Admiral Michael Alfultis |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | United States of America |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hosted over 240 U.S. Naval Sea Cadets on campus from across the United States over two weeks, during which my Admissions Department had the opportunity to discuss various paths to careers in the maritime and seafaring professions.• Hosted "Boogie Down to the Sound," our largest annual community event at Maritime College with over 1000 visitors. Participants were able to enjoy free boat rides, kayaking, sailing, marine science exhibits and projects, and raise awareness about the career opportunities a Maritime College education provides.• Established partnership and signed an agreement with the New York City Harbor Charter School establishing "Pathways in Technology (NYS P-TECH) Program" to enable high school students to take Maritime College Courses while still in High School, matriculate into Maritime College's Associate Degree program upon graduation from high school, and provide them a pathway to employment in the maritime industry.• Hosted monthly information and open house days to several hundred high school students, providing them an awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea and other areas of the maritime industry; career opportunities available through an education at Maritime College; and to highlight the importance of shipping. |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> |

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| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promoted increased local, regional, and national awareness of maritime industry and careers through social media and press announcements regarding delivery, commissioning, and maiden voyage of new state-of-art training ship. Hosted several hundred high school students for tours of ship. Hosted 150 students for tours and maritime careers presentation during recent Puerto Rico port visit.• Hosted visit by President and primary sponsor of Magsaysay Maritime Academy in the Philippines to discuss areas of cooperation and collaboration.• Supported World Maritime University's Field Study Program to New York City by hosting an on campus visit and Harbor Tour for 15 students from 12 different countries.• Continued work as a member of the U.S. Operation Mariner Task Force working group focused on outreach and marking to increase the number of U.S. credentialed mariners to reduce the workforce gap in qualified mariners. Provided recommendations on increasing number of students pursuing merchant marine licensure during presentation to the National Defense Transportation Association. |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. Jakov Karmelić |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | FONASBA |
| DATE: | July - December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>As a member of the Innovation Council, I participated in the international project "Inno2mare" (Horizon Europe Program) "Strengthening the capacity for excellence of Slovenian and Croatian innovation ecosystems to support the digital and green transitions of maritime regions". I was one of the panellists in the round table "Blue Innovation Hubs as the Catalyst for Sustainable Communities", held in Rijeka on September 15, 2023.</p> <p>As an initiator and member of the Review Committee, I participated in the selection of the best paper for the FONASBA Young Broker or Agent Award for the year 2023, which was awarded in October 2023 during the FONASBA Annual General Meeting. This award was introduced in 2015 with the aim of encouraging members of the ship agency and ship broking profession aged 40 or younger to further their academic and practical training and education by researching and writing a thesis standard paper on a maritime-related subject of their choice.</p> |
| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> <p>FONASBA circulated information of the IMO event The Day of the Seafarers (28th Sept 2023) to its members in 67 countries, encouraging them to join other organisations in their maritime sectors in celebrating this event.</p> <p>On Dec 1st I participated in the award ceremony of "The Vjesnik Blue Riboon", which has been established in Croatia in 1966, for saving life and property at sea. The award is given to individuals and teams that have contributed to life and property saving at sea. https://www.sph.hr/en/plava-vrpca-vjesnika</p> |

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| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>I gave a public lecture "Ante Viličić – Bol's fishing entrepreneur", about the fisherman who transferred the experiences of Californian tuna fishing to the Mediterranean in 1929, with emphasis on the importance of innovations in fishing and employment in the fishing industry. https://hrvatska-citaonica-bol.hr/?p=3580</p> <p>I participated in the public presentation of the book "Karlo Baumann, engineer, sailor, diver" by Dajna Glavočić, about an important versatile person who was a pioneer of deep diving and the recovery of sunken ships in Croatia. In my speech I emphasized the importance of this complex activity that requires the synergy of several specialized teams at sea. https://otok-krk.org/krk/u-malinskoj-predstavljena-knjiga-karlo-baumann-inzenjer-jedrilicar-ronilac-autorice-daine-glavocic</p> |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Ms. Kamyła Alejandra Barrientos Pineda |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | Iberoamerican Maritime Law Institute (IIDM) |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> | AUDIENCE |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning for the Hemispheric Congress on Maritime Governance, Public Policies and Legislation in coordination with the Inter-American Commission of Ports of the Organization of American States. • Introductory course in Maritime and Port Legislation, to be developed in collaboration with the World Maritime University. • Meeting with the Secretary of Social Welfare to follow up on the Youth of the Sea project • Meeting with officials from the Inter-American Commission of Ports for the coordination of the Hemispheric Seminar. • Conference about the Port Sector and Maritime Insurance for master's students at Galileo University of Guatemala. • Visit to the Port Facilities of Quetzal Port Company (Empresa Portuaria Quetzal) with students from Rafael Landívar University and Galileo University to promote the development of Maritime and Port Law and Conventions. • Participation as a Speaker in the Maritime Law Congress with the topic of Basic Concepts of Maritime and Port Law (IMO legal framework). | <p>150 people</p> <p>30 people</p> <p>50 people</p> <p>5 people</p> <p>20 people</p> <p>55 people</p> <p>20 people</p> |

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| 2 | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.</p> | <p>AUDIENCE</p> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization and participation in the 2023 University Seminar at Rafael Landivar University, under the theme "<i>50 years of MARPOL</i>" within the framework of the World Maritime Day of the International Maritime Organization. | <p>150 people</p> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dissemination and promotion of Maritime Law on social media platforms. • Contribution to the participation of women in the maritime-port sector through WISTA Guatemala and the foundation of a port and maritime committee. | <p>500 people</p> <p>100 people</p> |
| 3 | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> | <p>AUDIENCE</p> |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization and attendance of the XXIV International Congress on Maritime Law in the International Maritime Organization, promoting the key IMO topics. | <p>200 people</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Berislav Vranic |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | The Nautical Institute |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization. |
| | <p>26. October 2023, Faculty of Maritime Studies – Rijeka</p> <p>It was a pleasure to give a lecture at the Maritime Faculty in Rijeka alongside Capt. Ivo Santic. The topic of the lecture was MARPOL and its role in maritime world.</p> <p>About thirty students and around ten members of the Captain's Club from Rijeka attended the presentation.</p> <p>15. November 2023, Faculty of Maritime Studies – Rijeka</p> <p>It was a pleasure to deliver a lecture to the students of the Maritime Faculty in front of a packed auditorium on the topic of 'New Tendencies in the Reefer World.'</p> |
| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day and Parallel Event, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea |
| | <p>18. May 2022, Captains association of the North Adriatic</p> <p>A member of the Association of Captains of the Northern Adriatic, Captain Marica Njegovan, has published a list of all women who are currently sailing or have sailed in the local newspapers. The list demonstrates that an increasing number of women are choosing a career as officers at sea, which is a positive trend.</p> |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference |
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IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Mr. George J. Hoyt |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | The Nautical Institute |
| DATE: | July – December 2023 |

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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <p>At least 5 IMO GMAs are participating in versions of the Adopt A Ship (AAS) program created by the Cyprus Shipping Chamber (CSC) in 2006. With blessing from the CSC, and collaboration from my fellow IMO GMAs, I created, manage and fund some versions of AAS www.adoptaship.org in the Philippines, India and the Pacific. My Teams and I could not have achieved our success with AAS without the collaboration from my fellow IMO GMAs. I travel the equivalent to more than 4 "round the world" trips every year to promote and effectively manage AAS. AAS is "Gender Neutral". AAS <i>connects</i> Maritime and Non-Maritime Communities. AAS promotes the IMO and Maritime Professional Careers, especially Seafaring. It consists of a senior Seafarer onboard exchanging an email with elementary school age children in a classroom, orphanage or shelter, via their teachers, once a week. Children track their ship on a world map that is provided for FREE https://www.adoptaship.org/gallery/aas-launch-at-aaqes.aspx. They ask questions to Seafarers, via their teacher. AAS is flexible. AAS usually runs for 10 weeks. Most children are given pre & post tests/surveys. https://www.adoptaship.org/presentations-and-interviews/ Tests assess their international geography knowledge. Surveys assess their awareness of, and appreciation for, the Maritime Community prior to, and after, they participate in AAS. This objective data effectively documents dramatic increases. It can be a "stand alone" program or incorporated into existing programs. Most AAS participants are 10-12 years old, but that can vary. AAS helps participating countries to attract more boys and girls into Seafaring and other Maritime professions, by increasing Maritime awareness. Prior to 2017, no children were participating in AAS programs outside of Cyprus. We now have thousands of children participating in India and the Philippines. We adjusted AAS to include Orphanages and Shelters. We re-signed MOUs with our partners in the Philippines, and India, to resume their roles as AAS coordinators. PACWIMA are Coordinators in the Pacific. I fund and manage the AASI website, Facebook page and all AASI programs remotely and with in-person visits. We are also developing our new partnerships with India Maritime University and Port of Mumbai. They include AAS in outreach programs. In 2023 I met with a Superintendent of Schools in the Philippines. He requested we run AAS for all 20 of his Elementary Schools. I personally met with all principals, dozens of Teachers and hundreds of children. More than 16,000 Children in his Schools will participate in AAS programs in 2024. https://www.adoptaship.org/Philippines/GeorgevisittoSchoolsDivisionOfficeofSanPedro.aspx He will recommend AAS to Superintendents in other areas of the Philippines. At his request, I agreed to also run AAS pilot programs for 13-15 and 16-18 years old Children in his District in 2024. I spoke about AAS with Children in India. We exhibited AASI at CrewConnect conference in Manila. AASI was discussed very favourably at the IMO-GMA meeting during WM week at the IMO HQ.</p> |
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| <p>2</p> | <p>Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, etc.</p> <p>AAS International (AASI) is very closely aligned with some UN SDGs, IMO WMD annual Themes https://www.adoptaship.org/Brochures/Brochures.aspx in 2017, 2019, 2021, and IMO's current Gender Program; Women In Maritime. The 5 IMO-GMAs that already participate in AAS programs share all our AASI tools with our fellow IMO-GMAs, and others, in Africa and other areas. We are developing "formulas" that will allow others to calculate the approximate cost per Child in AAS programs. If AAS is given sufficient support, from the IMO, and others, it can help IMO-GMAs create programs related to Maritime into school curriculums globally. AAS strongly supports Women in Maritime, via "partnerships" with WISTA, IWSF, PACWIMA, and the Nautical Institute.</p> |
| <p>3</p> | <p>Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference.</p> <p>Increasing awareness of, and appreciation for, the IMO and Maritime Community's contributions, is needed to help Seafarers become "essential workers" in all countries. That requires us to expand AAS to raise public awareness of the importance the IMO and Maritime community plays in the quality of life of everyone on the planet. AASI coordinates and builds "partnerships" with existing, and new AAS participants, around the world to more effectively achieve our common goal of having "Maritime" included in curriculums of all elementary schools globally, as it is currently in Cyprus and Laguna, Philippines. That will bring sustainability to AAS programs. In 2024 and 2025 we aspire to expand AAS in Asia, Europe and America and also introduce AAS into Africa. 5 IMO-GMAs are actively participating. We look forward to helping other IMO-GMAs begin in 2024. I'm in continual personal contact with shipping and crewing company senior executives with in-person and virtual visits to keep them aware of options for them to participate in AAS and AaSOS. We continually search for new partnerships and new target audiences to participate in AAS "globally". We try to educate them on the importance of Maritime and the critical role of the IMO. Effectively sharing that information will help inspire new generations of male and female Maritime Professionals. When I communicate with administrators, teachers, and children, I always advocate for Maritime professions in their nation. I always share my passion about the many options for Maritime Professional Careers, especially to young boys and GIRLS www.facebook.com/AdoptAShipInternational</p> |

IMO GOODWILL MARITIME AMBASSADOR SCHEME

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| NAME: | Captain Nish Wijayakulathilaka |
| COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION: | The Nautical Institute |
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| 1 | <p>Visits to local schools, higher education institutions, community groups, career events as well as engagements with radio, television, print media; to promote the maritime and seafaring profession; to raise awareness of the positive benefits of choosing a career at sea or the maritime professions; to inform about entry routes and different seafaring education and training programmes; and to highlight the importance of shipping and International Maritime Organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I was honored to speak at the prestigious Singapore Maritime Conference, organized by the Nautical Institute, Singapore, discussing "Seafaring in the Modern Millennium." I also participated in a panel on "Sustainability: Fueling the Future," emphasizing its importance in maritime operations. • Engaging with Singaporean cadets was a highlight, inspiring optimism for the sector's future. The conference fostered dialogue, knowledge exchange, and collaboration, offering valuable insights for industry leaders and aspiring talents. • Participating in the Safety4Sea Conference in Singapore was a pleasure, offering valuable connections and insights. Topics like "Crafting a Future-Ready Crew" and "Strategies for Green Transition" were discussed, addressing industry challenges. "Smart Shipping and New Technologies" and "Managing Human Factors" sessions explored technology's impact and human element in maritime operations. The conference showcased innovative practices and emphasized industry commitment to safety and sustainability, fostering collaboration for a better future. • Serving as the Chair of the panel discussion at the Rashtriya Raksha University (RRU) in Gandhinagar, India, was a distinct honor. The symposium, focused on "Maritime Operations and Humanitarian Considerations," was organized by RRU and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), in collaboration with the School of Integrated Coastal and Maritime Security Studies (SICMSS). Engaging with experts in the field, we discussed critical topics surrounding maritime operations and humanitarian implications. • Interacting with RRU students was rewarding, offering insights and motivation for their academic and professional paths. The symposium facilitated meaningful discourse, knowledge exchange, and collaboration, emphasizing the importance of interdisciplinary cooperation in maritime security and humanitarian efforts. • Honour to participate in the IMO-UNEP-Norway, Innovation Forum 2023 at IMO Headquarters |
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| 2 | Promotion of the World Maritime theme, World Maritime Day, the International Day for Women in Maritime, the Day of the Seafarers online campaign and the IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea. Commemorating the World Seafarer's Day 20203, I was Chief Guest at a prize-giving ceremony hosted by Mercantile Marine Management (MMM), Colombo. The event celebrated seafarers through a contest aligned with the theme "MARPOL at 50: Our commitment goes on." As head of the selection committee, I oversaw Sri Lankan seafarers sharing marine environment pictures and captions contests organized by MMM. The ceremony honored their dedication and underscored the importance of World Seafarer's Day in recognizing their vital role in maritime operations and environmental stewardship. |
| 3 | Other activities consistent with the IMO-GMA Terms of Reference. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Honored to participate in the Annual General Meeting of IMO-GMAs at IMO Headquarters in person.• Grateful to attend the conference "Preparing Crew for New Fuels" organized by the Nautical Institute, London Branch.• Privileged to participate in a two-day Council meeting of the Nautical Institute in London.• Honoured to attend the farewell party of the outgoing Secretary-General of IMO at IMO Headquarters.• Delighted to engage with Deck Rating batches No. 04 and 05 at Mahapola Maritime Training Academy.• Happy to teach and engage with Fisheries and Aquaculture undergraduates at Ocean University of Sri Lanka.• Honored to serve as an external supervisor for a student of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences during their final training project.• Honored to commence and supervise a research project on Microplastic Pollution in Seas and Ports.• It was a great pleasure to participate in the Annual general meeting followed by the dinner of the Sri Lanka Chandlers` Association. |
