

A Maritime Week Event

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1330 Registration

1400 Opening Remarks

BG(NS) Choi Shing Kwok, Permanent Secretary, Singapore Ministry of Transport

BG(NS) Choi is the Permanent Secretary for the Singapore Ministry of Transport. The Singapore Ministry of Transport oversees the development and regulation of all transport sectors in Singapore, encompassing air, land and sea transport.

Mr David Edwards, Director of Technical Co-operation Division, International Maritime Organisation

Mr Edwards is the Director of the Technical-Cooperation Division at the International Maritime Organisation (IMO). This Division oversees the development and implementation of IMO's Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme aimed at increasing the capacity of developing countries to comply with international rules and standards relating to maritime safety and the prevention and control of marine pollution.

1430 Forum Discussions

This session invites the panellists to each present his views and observations on the challenges facing the shipping industry, and provide insights on ways to tackle the issues identified. Participants of the Forum are invited to share their perspectives at this session.

Forum Chairman: Mr Johan Franson, Chairman, IMO Council

Mr Franson is the Chairman of the IMO Council. The Council is the top decision-making body in the IMO; it is the Executive Organ of the IMO and is responsible for supervising the work of the Organization.

Striking a Balance between Regulation and Efficiency of Shipping - Mr Igor Ponomarev, Chairman, IMO's Maritime Safety Committee

Mr Ponomarev is the Chairman of the IMO's Maritime Safety Committee (MSC). MSC is the IMO's senior technical body that is responsible for developing international regulations and standards to improve safety at sea.

Quality Shipping and IMO Member State Audit Scheme - VAdm Francisco Martínez Villarroel, Director General, Chilean Directorate General of the Maritime Territory and Merchant Marine

Vice Admiral Martínez Villarroel is the Director General of the Chilean Maritime Territory and Merchant Marine. The Directorate General is responsible for keeping the Chilean seas clean and safe, and promoting sustainable use of marine resources.

Quality Shipping: Case for Industry Self-Regulation – Dr Peter Swift, Managing Director, INTERTANKO

Dr Swift is the Managing Director of INTERTANKO (The International Association of Independent Tanker Owners). INTERTANKO, representing the interests of more than 250 oil and chemical tanker owners and a further 300 associate members from related companies, is committed to lead the continued improvement of the tanker industry in striving to achieve the goals of zero fatalities, zero pollution and zero detentions.

The Rise of Asian Shipping – Mr Teo Siong Seng, President, Singapore Shipping Association

Mr Teo is the President of the Singapore Shipping Association (SSA). The mission of the SSA is to enhance the competitiveness of Singapore as an international maritime centre, and to protect and promote the interests of its members.

Achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) – Mr Ben Owusu-Mensah, Chairman, IMO's Technical Co-operation Committee

Mr Owusu-Mensah is the Chairman of the IMO's Technical Co-operation Committee (TCC). The TCC is responsible for the development of programmes designed to assist Governments that lack the technical knowledge and resources to operate a shipping industry successfully.

Manpower Development for the Maritime Industry – BG(NS) Tay Lim Heng, Chief Executive, Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore

BG(NS) Tay is the Chief Executive of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA). The mission of the MPA is to develop and promote Singapore as a premier global hub port and an international maritime centre, and to safeguard Singapore's strategic maritime interests.

The Image and Profile of Shipping – Mr Julian Bray, Editor, Lloyd's List

Mr Bray is the editor of Lloyd's List. Lloyd's List, a leading source of maritime news, is an international daily newspaper that provides details of vessel movements, marine casualties, and other information of interest to the merchant shipping community.

1600 Closing Remarks

By Forum Chairman

1615 Light Refreshments at the Roof Garden, The Fullerton Hotel