

Annex A: Factsheet on MPA Academy and programmes

MPA Academy (MPAA)

Established in 2012 by Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA), MPA Academy's vision is to be a leading training institution for maritime and port administration. With the growing demand for specialised training in the maritime sector, MPA Academy repositioned itself as a full-fledged academy with a dedicated facility and with a focus on global maritime leadership training in 2014.

Besides conducting training for MPA officers to enhance their specialist skills and knowledge, the Academy oversees the training needs under MPA's multilateral and bilateral technical assistance programmes. It also provides global maritime leadership training for overseas port and maritime officials through its flagship programmes. Through its programmes, the Academy seeks to share knowledge and experience for the benefit of the international maritime community with its partners

To date, the Academy has trained over 1300 individuals from senior maritime officials to industry practitioners and MPA staff.

The dedicated facility is located at PSA Building and was launched officially in October 2015.

MPA Academy's Objectives:

- To conduct training for MPA officers to enhance their specialist skills and knowledge
- To conduct training under MPA's multilateral and bilateral technical assistance programmes
- To provide global maritime leadership training for overseas port and maritime officials

A) Flagship Programmes:

The Academy provides global maritime leadership training for overseas port and maritime officials through its flagship programmes. These include:

- Advanced Maritime Leaders Programme (1st Advanced Maritime Leaders Programme from 16 to 20 Apr 2015)

The Advanced Maritime Leaders Programme is a flagship programme by MPA Academy, designed for senior maritime officials heading the maritime or port administration in their respective country (e.g. Chief Executive, Director-General and Commissioner) and their deputies. The unique and immersive executive development programme seeks to further hone the leadership skills of senior maritime leaders and build new capacity to transform their organisation, amidst an increasingly complex and globalised environment. With the emphasis on peer to

peer sharing and learning, dialogue with industry leaders as well as case studies, participants will gain insights on transformational leadership, effective policy-making, stakeholder engagement and strategic communications.

- Port Management Programme (2nd Port Management Programme from 17 to 21 Aug 2015)

The Port Management Programme is a flagship programme by MPA Academy, designed for port masters, harbour masters, and middle management personnel from maritime administrations or port authorities with 5-8 years experience in the maritime industry. The programme covered topics such as master planning for new ports, vessel traffic management using high technological equipment, crisis communications management and site visits in Singapore.

- Maritime Public Leaders' Programme (5th Maritime Public Leaders Programme from 19 to 24 Oct 2015)

The Maritime Public Leaders' Programme is jointly organised by MPA and Nanyang Technological University (NTU), supported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, under the Singapore Cooperation Programme (SCP). The target participants of the MPLP are senior officials in maritime administrations who are at least Director-level or equivalent. The non-examinable programme offers a holistic and interdisciplinary curriculum, covering maritime-related and public administration topics, and provides participants with an invaluable opportunity to network with their maritime counterparts from around the world. The format of the programme is a mix of lectures and site visits.

B) Singapore-IMO Third Country Training Programme

Aside from flagship programmes, MPA has been providing training to the international maritime community under the Singapore-International Maritime Organization Third Country Training Programme (TCTP) since 1998, which was the first-of-its-kind at that time. To date, more than 1,700 officials from over 80 countries have participated in this programme.

C) Training Programmes in Collaboration with International Partners

MPA Academy organises training programmes in collaboration with overseas training partners.

- In April 2015, the Academy signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the World Maritime University to strengthen the collaboration on global maritime leadership development, training and capacity building.
- In May 2015, the Academy worked with the Japan Coast Guard on the 8th Maritime Safety Management Course.

- In October 2015, the Academy hosted the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) Risk Management Seminar organised in partnership with the IALA World Wide Academy.

D) Training Programmes for MPA Staff

One of the Academy's key focus areas is the technical training of MPA Officers to enhance their specialist skills and knowledge. Since 2013, more than 450 MPA officers- marine surveyors, hydrographers, vessel traffic operators and port inspectors have attended technical training coordinated by the Academy.

E) Thought leadership Talks

MPAA works with industry partners and other institutions to hold public lectures to increase awareness of the maritime industry and promote thought leadership. Some of the talks that have taken place in 2015 include:

- Distinguished Visitors Programme Talk by Mr Binyah Kesselly, CEO Liberia Maritime Authority.
- MPA Academy Insight Series Talk by Mr Andy Lane Partner CTI Consultancy.

MPA Academy-Centre for Liveable Cities Joint Lecture with Mr Olaf Merk, Administrator, Ports & Shipping, International Transport Forum, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).