

IMO Update

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IMO

- Specialized UN agency
- 171 Member States, three associate members
- Headquarters in London, UK since 1958
- IGOs and NGOs participate as observers
- Annual budget £30+ million
- Secretariat – 300 staff, more than 50 nationalities



IMO at work - Structure

- Assembly
- Council – 40 Members
- Committees:
 - **Maritime Safety Committee (MSC)**
 - Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)
 - Legal Committee (LEG)
 - Facilitation Committee (FAL)
 - Technical Cooperation Committee (TCC)



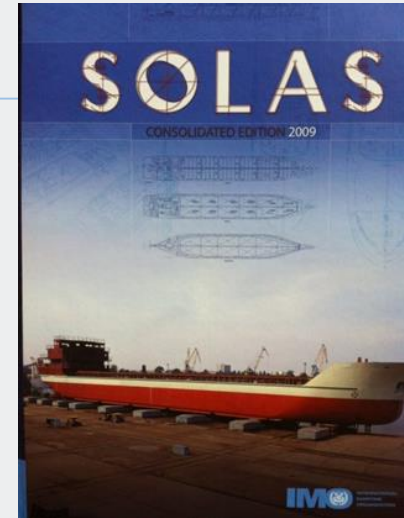
Sub-Committees – New Sub-Committee structure reporting to MSC & MEPC

- **Sub-Committee on Ship Design and Construction (SDC)**
- **Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and and Response (PPR)**
- **Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW)**
- **Sub-Committee on Ship Systems and Equipment (SSE)**
- **Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communication and Search and Rescue (NCSR)**
- **Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers (CCC)**
- **Sub-Committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III)**



Legal ground

- INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA (SOLAS), 1974
- Chapter V – Safety of Navigation



Regulation V/4 – Navigational Warnings

Each Contracting Government shall take all steps necessary to ensure that, when intelligence of any dangers is received from whatever reliable source, it shall be promptly brought to the knowledge of those concerned and communicated to other interested Governments.*

- * Refer to the Guidance on the IMO/IHO World-Wide Navigational Warning Service adopted by the Organization by resolution A.706(17), as amended.

Legal ground - World-Wide Navigational Warning Service

- Resolution A.706(17), as amended, on the World-Wide Navigational Warning Service (MSC.1/Circ.1288/Rev.1)

Enters into force from 1 Jan 2015

IMO/IHO World-Wide Navigational Warning Service Guidance Document

- WWNWS is the internationally and nationally coordinated service for the promulgation of navigational warnings.
- The purpose of this document is to provide specific guidance for the promulgation of internationally coordinated NAVAREA and coastal warnings. Its guidance does not apply to purely national warning services which supplement these internationally coordinated services.
- Operational guidance for handling and formatting navigational warnings is given in the Joint IMO/IHO/WMO Manual on Maritime Safety Information, the NAVTEX Manual and the International SafetyNET Manual.

GMDSS Master Plan

(GMDSS.1 Circulars – currently GMDSS.1/Circ.19, July 2016)

ANNEX 1 – STATUS OF SHORE BASED FACILITIES FOR THE GMDSS

ANNEX 2 – LIST OF VHF DSC COAST STATIONS FOR SEA AREA A1

ANNEX 3 – LIST OF MF DSC COAST STATIONS FOR SEA AREA A2

ANNEX 4 – LIST OF HF DSC COAST STATIONS FOR SEA AREAS A3 AND A4

ANNEX 5 – LIST OF INMARSAT LAND EARTH STATIONS (LESSs)

ANNEX 6 – LIST OF RESCUE CO-ORDINATION CENTRES (RCCs) USING SHIP EARTH STATIONS (SESs)

ANNEX 7 – NAVTEX SERVICE

ANNEX 8 – THE INTERNATIONAL SAFETYNET SERVICE

APPENDICES – TABLE OF INTERNATIONALLY COORDINATED BROADCAST SCHEDULES

ANNEX 9 – HF NARROW-BAND DIRECT PRINTING (NBDP) MARITIME SAFETY INFORMATION (MSI) BROADCAST SERVICE

ANNEX 10 –LIST OF COSPAS SARSAT MISSION CONTROL CENTRES (MCCs) AND LOCAL USER TERMINALS (LUTs)

ANNEX 11 –SATELLITE EPIRB REGISTRATION INFORMATION DATA

ANNEX 12 – LIST OF 24-HOUR POINTS OF CONTACT FOR MARITIME MOBILE SERVICE IDENTITIES (MMSI)

ANNEX 13 – REVISED QUESTIONNAIRE ON SHORE BASED FACILITIES FOR THE GMDSS (MSC.1/Circ.1382/Rev.2)

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Way forward ...

- Resolution A.1074(28)

NOTIFICATION AND CIRCULATION THROUGH THE GLOBAL INTEGRATED SHIPPING INFORMATION SYSTEM (GISIS)

RECOGNIZING the fact that, once the Organization has been notified through GISIS by a Contracting Government or Party, the related mandatory report would also become accessible to other Contracting Governments or Parties through GISIS, and the administrative burden of the Organization could be reduced.

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Way forward ... (continued...)

- COMSAR.1/Circ.55

GUIDANCE FOR ENTERING AND UPDATING INFORMATION ON SEARCH AND RESCUE SERVICES INTO GISIS AND ON HOW TO GET ACCESS TO THE INFORMATION FOR OPERATIONAL USE

GISIS module on SAR facilities has been up and running and has eliminated the need for SAR. 8 circulars on information on SAR facilities.

MSC 96 endorsed the development of the GMDSS Master Plan module in the GISIS for sharing information among all concerned. IMO Secretariat is developing the new module on GMDSS in the similar format to the COMSAR module.

IMO and relevant MSI meetings – 2017 and ahead (Interim/Preliminary)

- NCSR 4: March 6-10, 2017
followed by Docs Review meeting ?
- MSC 98: June 7-16, 2017
- WWNWS9: Aug-Sept 2017
- NCSR 5: 1st quarter 2018? (to be determined)
followed by Docs Review meeting ?
- MSC 99: May/June 2018 ? (consider recommendations
from NCSR 4 (Only?))
- WWNWS10: ?
- MSC 100: Nov 2018 ? (consider recommendations from
NCSR 5)



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