## 3<sup>rd</sup> International ECDIS Conference

## Singapore, 19-21 October 2009

The 3rd International ECDIS Conference was held in Singapore from 15-17 October 2009. Captain Ward presented the keynote speech. The conference concentrated on the forthcoming requirement for an increasing number of vessels to use ECDIS for navigation.

Over 300 delegates were treated to a range of views and experiences from mariners and shipping companies already using ECDIS. The consistent message that they delivered was: ECDIS improves navigation safety, is welcomed by mariners and it saves money. Their principal words of caution were that mariners must be properly trained to use ECDIS.



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