



Circular Letter 2026/05

17 February 2026

Subject: **Change of date for the 5th session of the IALA council meeting**

To: Members States

Dear IALA members,

We would like to inform you that, due to a scheduling conflict with new IMO Maritime Safety Committee dates, the 5th Session of the IALA Council Meeting in Guangzhou, China, must be rescheduled.

Accordingly, the dates previously agreed at the last Council meeting for Session 5 (7-11 December) are changed to **30 November–4 December 2026**.

The Secretariat is aware that this adjustment slightly affects the deadline for input papers from the final committee meeting of the season, ARM23. Please be assured that the Secretariat will make every effort to minimise any delay in publishing the outcomes of this committee meeting.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.