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2.3 (E) – Cooperation with international organizations

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1. GENERAL

This paper describes the nature and purpose of cooperation between IALA and other international organizations, other than IMO and IHO. The cooperation between IALA and these two latter international organizations will be described in presentations by their respective representatives.

2. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Please refer to papers 2.1(E) and 2.2(E) on IALA cooperation with IMO and IHO.

3. COOPERATING INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

IALA has a working relationship with the following United Nations bodies.

- **IMO** - International Maritime Organization
- **ITU** - International Telecommunication Union
- **WMO** - World Meteorological Organization

IALA has a Memorandum of Understanding with and cooperates with each of the following international organizations.

- **IHO** - International Hydrographic Organization
- **PIANC** – The World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure
- **CIRM** - Comité International Radio Maritime
- **IHMA** – International Harbour Masters Association
- **NI** – Nautical Institute
- **IMSO** – International Mobile Satellite Organization
- **IMPA** – International Maritime Pilots Association
- **MOWCA** - The Maritime Organization for West and Central Africa
- **SPC** - Secretariat of the Pacific Community

IALA also cooperates with the following international organizations.

- **BIMCO**
- **BIC** - Bureau International des Containers et du Transport Intermodal
- **CIE** - Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage
- **EC** – European Commission
- **FERNs** – Far East Radionavigation Service
- **IAIN** - International Association of Institutes of Navigation
- **IAPH** - International Association of Ports and Harbors
- **ICS** - International Chamber of Shipping
- **IEC** - International Electrotechnical Commission
- **IFSMA** - International Federation of Shipmasters' Association



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- **INTERCARGO** – International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners
- **INTERTANKO** – International Association of Independent Tanker Owners
- **INTERMANAGER**
- **IOC** – Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission
- **ISO** - International Organization for Standardization
- **RTCM** – Radio Technical Commission for Maritime Services

4. SOME EXAMPLES OF COOPERATION

4.1. IMO - International Maritime Organization

IALA has consultative status with IMO and participates in the work of the Maritime Safety Committee (MSC), the Sub-Committee on Navigation, Communications and Search and Rescue (NCSR), and the Technical Cooperation Committee (TCC).

4.2. IHO - International Hydrographic Organization

IALA works closely with the IHO, especially in the matter of data modelling for maritime information. IALA manages the S200 data domain within the IHO S100 Geographic Information System and Capacity Building (World-Wide Academy).

4.3. ITU - International Telecommunication Union

For many years IALA has advised the ITU on the maintenance of ITU publications on the Automatic Identification System (AIS) which is mandated by IMO for most ocean-going vessels.

IALA is presently working with ITU-R on development of the new VHF Data Exchange System (VDES), an IALA initiative to provide a new digital data system for maritime use.

4.4. FERNS – Far East Radionavigation Service

FERNS is an Intergovernmental Organization established for the coordination of maritime radionavigation services. The Member States are the Peoples Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Russian Federation. IALA and its objective “of safety of navigation services in the oceans of the world” are mentioned in the International Convention of FERNS.

IALA participates in the work of the FERNS Council and its Technical Working Group.

4.5. EC – European Commission

IALA is a partner in the EC funded “EfficienSea 2.0” project being carried out under the Horizon 2020 initiative. The European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) with which IALA has a close cooperation is an Associate Member

4.6. IMPA – International Maritime Pilots Association

IMPA and IALA have a close working relationship, with IMPA providing specialist advice to IALA on aspects of IALA’s work. The two organizations have recently been co-sponsors of papers to the IMO NCSR Sub-Committee.

5. THE CONFERENCE IS REQUESTED TO

Note the information provided.