Liaison Note to IMO e-Navigation Correspondence Group

Maritime Service Portfolios

# Introduction

At e-NAV13, the Co-ordinator of the IMO e-Navigation Correspondence Group requested the Committee to link the e-Navigation potential solutions with Maritime Service Portfolios (MSPs) that may fall under IALA ‘s remit.

# Discussion

The IALA e-NAV has given consideration to the mapping of potential e-Navigation solutions to MSPs. However, this should only be considered as a preliminary review and will be considered further at e-NAV14 (September 2013) and whilst the Committee continues to develop MSPs.

At Annex A, IALA notes the list of solutions and the reduced prioritized list, as well as the revised list of MSPs. From the prioritized list of solutions, IALA noted that three fall directly within its area of responsibility. It was identified that IALA has expertise across several MSPs and that it is necessary to consider the ship – shore interfaces.

1. **Action Requested**

The IMO CG on e-Navigation is invited to consider the preliminary information at Annex A and decide as appropriate.

1. linkage of Msps to potential e-Navigation solutions under IALA’s remit
2. Introduction

This note has been prepared by the Chair and Vice Chair of the IALA e-Navigation Committee in response to a request from the Co-ordinator of the IMO e-Navigation Correspondence Group.

1. DISCUSSION
   1. e-Navigation Solutions

Potential e-navigation solutions have been grouped into the following broad categories:

* S1 Improved, harmonized and user-friendly bridge design;
* S2 Means for standardized and automated reporting;
* S3 Improved reliability, resilience and integrity of bridge equipment and navigation information;
* S4 Integration and presentation of available information in graphical displays received via communication equipment;
* S5 Information management;
* S6 Improved access to relevant information for Search and Rescue;
* S7 Improved reliability, resilience and integrity of bridge equipment and navigation information for shore-based users;
* S8 Improved and harmonized shore-based systems and services; and
* S9 Improved communication of VTS service portfolio.
  1. Maritime Service Portfolios

A Maritime Service Portfolio (MSP) can be defined as: An organised collection of operational and technical services provided from ashore to the mariner, in a given sea area, waterway, or port, as appropriate.

A comprehensive description of the following MSPs can be found in e-NAV12/81 Annex 4. However, that list has been modified by the Correspondence Group as follows:

* VTS Information Service (INS);
* Navigation Assistance Service (NAS);
* Traffic Organization Service (TOS);
* Local Port Service (LPS);
* Maritime Safety Information (MSI) service;
* pilotage service;
* tugs service;
* vessel shore reporting;
* remote monitoring of ships systems;
* Telemedical Assistance Service (TMAS);
* Maritime Assistance Service (MAS);
* nautical chart Service;
* nautical publications service;
* ice navigation service;
* real-time hydrographic and environmental information services;
* Search and Rescue (SAR) Service.

MSP areas are divided into the following:

* harbour operations;
* operations in coastal and confined or restricted waters;
* transocean voyages;
* offshore operations;
* operations in Arctic, Antarctic and remote areas.
  1. **Prioritization of Solutions**

A prioritization of the above solutions resulted in the following being selected as ‘higher priority’ solutions:

* S1 Improved, harmonized and user-friendly bridge design;
* S2 Means for standardized and automated reporting;
* S3 Improved reliability, resilience and integrity of bridge equipment and navigation information;
* S4 Integration and presentation of available information in graphical displays received via communication equipment;
* S9 Improved communication of VTS service portfolio;

IALA, as representative of Aids to Navigation service administrators and providers, sees the need to bridge ship – shore interfaces. It is believed that the current list of potential e-Navigation solutions and MSPs should only be considered preliminary. Of the prioritized solutions, IALA’s primary responsibilities may be applied to the following solutions and MSPs:

S1 Improved, harmonized and user-friendly bridge design (not a responsibility of IALA).

S2 Means for standardized and automated reporting:

* vessel shore reporting.

S3 Improved reliability, resilience and integrity of bridge equipment and navigation information (not a responsibility of IALA).

The IALA e-Navigation Committee considers that solutions S4 and S9 should be taken together and that the compendium of MSPs may be applied to each.

S4 Integration and presentation of available information in graphical displays received via communication equipment.

S9 Improved communication of VTS service portfolio.

## Basic Infrastructure

The current list of MSPs does not include the basic infrastructure required for e-Navigation to work, such as Resilient PNT and Communications. These are treated as Risk Control Options and should be covered in the cost benefit analysis in that way.

# Action requested

The Correspondence Group is invited to consider the information provided.