**VTS36** Input paper

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Develop Model Course (V-103) on 'Train the Trainer'

# Summary

The Australian VTS Working Group, as part of its Work Program, agreed to review and provide input to the IALA development of Model Courses (V-103) on Train the Trainer.

Members reviewed the model course and agreed that in the Australia context, this course was not necessary as there is a regulated national training framework to accredit individuals. In Australia, this qualification is a Certificate IV Workplace Training and Assessment which all trainers, irrespective of field, must hold prior to conducting training activities.

## Purpose of the document

To provide input to the VTS Committee for consideration when further developing Task 9 - Develop Model Course (V-103) on 'Train the Trainer'.

# Background

The Australian VTS Working Group (VTSWG) is a consultative group to facilitate communication and information sharing between VTS authorities and key stakeholders. Included in the terms of Reference for the Group are:

* Facilitate a common understanding of the delivery of vessel traffic services across Australia;
* Facilitate the promotion of a standardised approach to the delivery of vessel traffic services that reflect international best practices, obligations and guidelines;
* Provide a mechanism for VTS authorities to contribute to the preparation and review of relevant IALA guidance on VTS as identified in the IALA quadrennial work programme.

# Discussion

The Australian VTSWG acknowledges the work that has gone into developing the Train the Trainer model course. They identified a couple of areas the VTS Committee may wish to consider. These include that:

* The draft course is merged with the V-103/4 VTS On-the-Job Instructor training course as there are many similarities between the two courses;
* A paragraph is included within the model course that allows the VTS Authority to elect whether to train their VTS operators to the standards outlined in this model course or alternately use an already established national training framework within their country.

# Action requested of the Committee

The Committee is invited to forward the Input Paper to the Personnel & Training Working Group for their consideration.