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**NEWS AND REMINDERS ABOUT THE IALA-2014 CONFERENCE**

**ABSTRACTS FOR PAPERS and BEST PRACTICE SUBMISSION**

The deadline for the submission of abstracts for papers for the IALA-2014 Conference was on 31st January 2013. Many abstracts from around the Globe have been received. The Papers Selection Committee should now make the selection according to the number of presentations available in the IALA-2014 Conference. The result of this selection will be published next July.

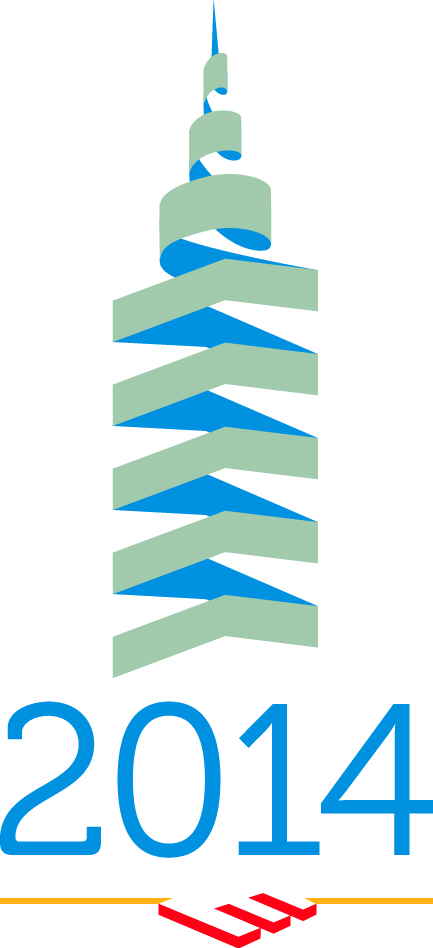
It is still possible however to participate in the Conference through the ‘Best Practices’ section. The aim of this initiative, which may have some kind of prize, is to facilitate the participation of technicians of the IALA members through sharing their experiences that have allowed solving specific technical problems. In many cases, these solutions have enabled significant savings of resources, in areas such as financial, human and improvements in the service.

Sharing these experiences with the IALA family will allow other technicians to learn from your experience and improve the efficiency of AtoN service.

**The deadline for the submission of ‘Best Practices’ is 30 June 2013** and all experiences received will be published, creating a knowledge Database. Ten submissions will be selected for presentation at one of the Conference technical sessions.

As outlined in the brochure ‘Call for Papers’ the form for the presentation of best practices should be requested from IALA via the email address [abstracts@iala-aism.org](mailto:abstracts@iala-aism.org). It can also be downloaded from the following link <http://www.puertos.es/ayudas_navegacion/conferenciaIALA.html>

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***See you on 25 to 31 May 2014 - A Coruña - Spain***