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**41th Meeting of the Vessel Traffic Services Committee (VTS41)**

The 41th meeting of the **VTS Committee** will be held from 7 – 11 March 2016, at IALA, St Germain en Laye, France.

The opening plenary will commence at 1300 on Monday 7 March 2016, and the closing plenary will end at approximately 1300 on Friday 11 March.

Committee Chair, Vice-Chair and Working Group Chairpersons are requested to meet at 0900 on Monday 7 March.

**Agenda**

1. Introduction
   1. Administration and Safety Briefing
   2. Approval of agenda
   3. Apologies and introductions
   4. Programme for the week
2. Review of action items from last meeting
   1. Review of action items from VTS40
   2. Final Report from VTS40 - for reference
3. Review of input papers
   1. Input papers
4. Reports from other bodies:
   1. IALA Council – 61th Session, December 2015
   2. Policy Advisory Panel, PAP30, November 2015
5. Reports from rapporteurs

* Usage of the World VTS Guide Paul Owen
* IALA Dictionary Cees Stedehouder
* Liaison with IALA WWA Kevin Gregory
* Liaison with ENAV Committee TBD
* IALA Bulletin Neil Trainor

1. Presentations (15 minutes)

* Update IALA activities Michael Card
* Update WWA activities Gerardine Delanoye
* VTS2016 and VTS42 Mohamad Halim Ahmed
* Audio technologies for maritime applications Jens Appell

1. Establish Working Groups
2. TD# 1 – Operations
   1. VTS operations, service standards, and performance measures
   2. Inter-VTS operations, interactions with allied and other services
   3. VTS communications
   4. Monitoring and evaluating developments in VTS and potential impacts on the recognised framework for VTS
3. TD# 2 – Technology
   1. VTS systems technology, Sensors, Presentation
   2. VTS equipment standards and performance requirements
   3. Inter-VTS data exchange
   4. Data populating for S-100
4. TD# 3 – VTS Training
   1. Qualification, training, and certification of VTS personnel
   2. Accreditation and approval process for VTS training
   3. Human factors
   4. VTS training for navigating officers
   5. Support for the WWA
5. Review of Current Work Programme (2014 – 2018)
6. Review of output and working papers
   1. Output papers
   2. Working papers
7. Any Other Business
8. Review of session report
9. Date and venue of next meeting
10. Close of the meeting

