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Working Group WG2 TG4

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**Incheon Declaration: Purpose, Key Content and Action Plans**

1. **Purpose**

As historic lighthouses are the unique and strong symbol of the world maritime heritage and hold great significance to local and national communities, it should be treated differently from other cultural assets. The lighthouse heritage is a meaningful legacy from the past, which we live with today, and which we pass on to future generations. Our cultural heritage of lighthouses is irreplaceable source of life and inspiration.

In this respect the Incheon Declaration will encourage humanity’s efforts for the preservation and sustainable management of historic lighthouses as world heritage, and create an international consensus in support of the content of the document.

However, the Declaration shall not convey any legal power or responsibilities and in itself create any binding obligations.

1. **Key Content**

* Understanding of the value of the historic lighthouse
* The preservation and sustainable management of the historic lighthouse as world heritage
* Promotion of knowledge and fact-based understanding about the historic lighthouse
* Promotion of the world-wide aspects of lighthouse heritage by encouraging a network of information sources
* Participation of citizens in pursuing the preservation and sustainable management of the historic lighthouse
* International cooperation to preserve and use historic lighthouse as an irreplaceable source of life and inspiration
* International cooperation to revitalize the IALA Heritage Forum and develop a mechanism for managing tentatively named “World Lighthouse Heritage List”

1. **Action Plans for 2017-2018**

As an international manifesto, the Incheon Declaration will be jointly developed by Drafting Committee comprised of lighthouse heritage experts from all over the world, especially including those from IALA ENG TG4 (HERITAGE) members. Drafting Committee will start the first meeting at the ENG6 in March, 2017.

The draft created by the first quarter of 2017 will be elaborated by a number of IALA committees. In year leading up to the Conference, the Incheon Declaration will be presented and reviewed by the IALA Councils, and also opinions will be collected from all the IALA national and non-national members to raise its visibility and build a consensus in them in support of the content of the document. The final draft of the Declaration will be completed after various amendments and improvement at the end of April, 2018.

1. **Action requested of the Committee**
   * + - 1. Organize the Incheon Declaration Drafting Committee under ENG WG2 TG4.
         2. Elect the Chairperson of Incheon Declaration Committee.
         3. Distribute the draft Incheon Declaration to LAP, PAP, and ARM to review its contents in line with the time frame.
         4. Report the Incheon Declaration to Council.

APPENDIX A

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| Initial Draft created and prior consultation between IALA ENG TG4 and host country |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **1st Drafting Committee**  **(IALA ENG6)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA LAP18) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA PAP33) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA ARM6) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interim report  (IALA Council64) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **2nd Drafting Committee**  **(IALA ENG7)** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA LAP19) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA PAP34) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions  (IALA ARM7) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interim report  (IALA Council 65) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Hearing of opinions on the Draft from all the IALA members |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **3rd Drafting Committee**  (provisional) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Incheon Declaration  (19th IALA Conference) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

APPENDIX B

(Initial Draft) **INCHEON DECLARATION**

On Historic Lighthouses as World Heritage

(Adopted on 2 June 2018 in Incheon, Republic of Korea)

As of 20 March, 2017

**Under the theme of “Successful voyages, sustainable planet”**, we, the organizers, participating countries, international organizations, specialized agencies, and experts, gathered at the 19th IALA Conference, held in Incheon, Republic of Korea, from 28 May to 2 June 2018 under the auspices of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities;

**Respecting** the objectives embodied in the sub-theme of “A new era for Marine Aids to Navigation in a connected world”;

**Recalling** the principles put forth in the Convention concerning the Protection of the World Cultural and Natural Heritage (1972), the ASEAN Declaration on Cultural Heritage (2002), the Xi’an Declaration on the Conservation of the Setting of Heritage Structures, Sites and Areas (2005), and the Florence Declaration on Heritage and Landscape as Human Values (2014);

**Noting** the relevant provisions in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, the Global Programme of Action for the Protection of the Marine Environment from Land-based Activities, and other important multilateral conventions, agreements, and action plans related to maritime community and environment;

**Emphasizing** that historic lighthouse is the unique and strong symbol of the world maritime heritage and hold great significance to local and national communities;

**Understanding** that the cultural heritage of lighthouses is a meaningful legacy from the past, which we live with today, and which we pass on to future generations;

**Hoping** to revitalize the IALA Heritage Forum and develop a mechanism for managing a world lighthouse heritage list;

**Having** discussed a new vision for the preservation and sustainable management of historic lighthouses as world heritage;

**Declare the following:**

1. Our cultural heritage of lighthouses is irreplaceable source of life and inspiration. We call for global leadership to raise the awareness of governments on the need to set out a new vision for the preservation and sustainable management of historic lighthouses as world heritage.
2. We call for the international community to preserve and maritime cultural space based on historic lighthouse heritage in order to enlighten all elements of civil society on the need for greater enjoyment of the maritime culture.
3. We call upon all nations of the world that the cultural heritage of lighthouses extends beyond the architectural value of the building, to the whole area of maritime traditions and history, including shipping trading patterns, navigational safety and wrecks; this needs to be explained and evidence documented for the benefit of future generations.
4. We call for increased assistance to developing nations in addressing their lighthouse heritage concerns and sustainably managing their historic lighthouses through development assistance and investment, and international cooperation projects.
5. In this regard, we welcome Incheon Project, aimed at providing developing nations with capacity building support on aids to navigation-related issues through professional training and technology-transfer, as an important legacy of the 19th IALA Conference Incheon Korea 2018.
6. We look forward to the revitalisation of the IALA Heritage Forum and the development of a mechanism for managing a world lighthouse heritage list, aimed at strengthening the capacity of IALA to act in a coordinated manner in harmonising all aspects of lighthouse heritage.
7. In the spirit of this Declaration to provide the world with a new vision for “the preservation and sustainable management of historic lighthouses as world heritage”, we call for all governments and civil society to work together in achieving our common goals for the historic lighthouse heritage.