### Heritage

Aids to navigation have a valued heritage and the history of lighthouses has an attraction for many outside the world of aids to navigation service providers and users.

In many littoral countries lighthouses and similar aids to navigation and also artefacts and publications associated with them form an important part of the national heritage and are being recorded and preserved for future generations.

When heritage structures continue to be used as aids to navigation, the generation of guidance to advise on their maintenance and correct preservation will remain part of IALA’s work.

To support the preservation and maintenance of lighthouses of heritage interest, and also to consider the preservation of artefacts and documents, the IALA Heritage Forum will meet as Working Group 4 within the Engineering & Sustainability Committee. The Forum will provide an opportunity for the exchange of information and experience in this maintenance and preservation work and to promote an active approach to heritage management. It will be open to IALA members and to interested non-members by approval of the Secretariat.