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MARINA PRESENTS MARITIME PROGRAMS BEFORE PBBM



PBBM poses for a photo with DOTr, MARINA officials after a meeting that tackles the agency's industry plan, and the measures to resolve issues concerning the welfare of seafarers.

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) presented before President Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. and the members of the Cabinet the status of Philippine compliance with the International Convention of Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) for Seafarers 1978, as amended, during a Cabinet Meeting on 11 October 2022.

The MARINA has particularly noted grievances by the European Commission and by third party international maritime experts who conducted recently the first phase of the country's Independent Evaluation (IE), which is also the first stage to IMO White Listing.

Further, the MARINA presented the 10-Year Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP) where the President broadly supported the implementation of the 10 Priority Programs.

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PHL Conveys Accomplishments under Marine Environment Protection Project



The MARINA team, led by Deputy Administrator for Operations Engr. Nanette Dinopol poses for a photo during MEPSEAS third high-level regional meeting.

As the Marine Environment Protection of the Southeast Asian Seas (MEPSEAS) Project will mark its end in December 2022, the Philippines, as one of the Lead Partnering Countries (LPCs), shared its accomplishments from the said project during the Third High-Level Regional Meeting on MEPSEAS held on 25 to 27 October 2022 at Ha Long Bay, Viet Nam.

The Philippine delegation, headed by the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Deputy Administrator for Operations (DAO), Nannette Z. Villamor – Dinopol, provided the country's benefits and plans of sustaining the gains from the MEPSEAS Project.

"The Philippines aims to mobilize a whole-of-nation approach cooperation in protecting, conserving, and managing the marine environment and natural resources for the present and future generation," DAO Dinopol highlighted.

In her presentation, she shared the institutionalization of a National Task Force dedicated to facilitate the ratification of, accession to and implementation of maritime conventions through the establishment of the Inter-agency Coordinating Committee to

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PHL Conveys Accomplishments...

Facilitate the Ratification of and Accession to and Implementation of Maritime Conventions (ICCFAIMC), which was created through Executive Order No. 159.

Likewise, she reported the improved procedure for ratification and implementation of International Maritime Organization (IMO) Instruments through the adoption of a Roadmap for the Ratification and Implementation of Maritime Conventions by each concerned agency.

Further, DAO Dinopol presented the following issuances by the MARINA as the National Focal Point for the MEPSEAS Project: a) MARINA Quality Procedure No. 04-01, series of 2021 or the Procedures on the Ratification and Implementation of Maritime Conventions; and b) MARINA Administrative Order No. 16-22, series of 2022 or the Guidelines on the Formulation, Revision and Referencing of Memorandum Circulars, Proposed Bills, Draft Executive Orders, Draft Department Orders, Implementing Rules and Regulations of a Law and Circulars.

DAO Dinopol also informed the attendees that the country is preparing its National Strategic Action Plan Framework, following the eight (8) key components in the implementation of other Maritime Conventions.

Meanwhile, Engr. Ramon C. Hernandez, Director of the MARINA Shipyards Regulation Service, shared the operationalization of the Maritime Training Institute (MarTi) which serves as the implementing and administrative entity for the

development of human resources in MARINA and the maritime sector as a whole.

MarTi also aims to increase the number of competent and qualified maritime professionals/workforce in the country through the conduct of training, workshops, and other related formal and informal educational programs in compliance with the national and international best standards.

He also reported about the implementation of the Ballast Water Management (BWM) and Anti-Fouling Systems (AFS) Conventions as part of the Marine Environment Protection Strategy, which is under the Program 10 of the 10-year Maritime Industry Development Plan (MIDP) and the strengthened partnership with relevant government agencies and funding institutions.

He likewise provided the updates on the activities undertaken by the Government of the Philippines based on the National Strategic Action Plan (NSAP).

The Philippine delegation is composed of the MARINA Deputy Administrator for Operations Nannette Villamor – Dinopol, MARINA – SRS Director Engr. Ramon C. Hernandez, Officer-in-Charge of the MARINA – Overseas Shipping Service (OSS), Ms. Precila C. Jara, and MEPSEAS National Consultants.

The MEPSEAS Project is a 5-year project (2017-2022) of the IMO in cooperation with the Norwegian Agency for the Development (NORAD) providing assistance to East Asian countries in ratifying and implementing IMO Instruments for the protection of the marine environment.



MARINA PRESENTS MIDP...

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The Agency also committed to the President the updating of the MIDP and alignment to the 8-Point Priority Economic Agenda of the Administration.

The MARINA was represented by its Administrator, Atty. Hernani N. Fabia, OIC-Deputy Administrator for Planning, Ms. Sonia B. Malaluan, OIC-STCW Office Executive Director Mr. Samuel L. Batalla, and Planning and Policy Service (PPS) Director Mr. Luisito U. delos Santos.

As the Department responsible for the MARINA, Secretary of Transportation Jaime Bautista and DOTr Undersecretary for Maritime Elmer Francisco Sarmiento were also present to extend utmost support to the Agency.



MARINA officials, headed by Administrator Atty. Hernani Fabia inside the Malacañang preparing to brief the President regarding its plans and programs for MARINA stakeholders.



MARINA Regional Directors Annabell Lagas, and Engr. Emmanuel Carpio discuss the establishment of satellite offices to officials of Camiguin, Ozamiz, Ubay, and Iligan.



MARINA EXTENDS SERVICES TO MUNICIPALITIES, PROVINCES

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) continues to extend its services to stakeholders in municipalities, and provinces across the Philippines.

This, as the MARINA is set to open an extension office in Ubay, Bohol next month, while offices in Camiguin, Ozamiz, and Iligan are underway.

Currently, MARINA Regional Office VII (MRO 7) Regional Director Engr. Emmanuel B. Carpio has lobbied with Ubay Mayor Constantino H. Reyes the possible office space for MARINA at the said municipality.

In response, Mayor Reyes has offered to the MARINA for free, an office space in the Municipal Hall of Ubay, which include utility charges and a

manpower support. Engr. Carpio has expressed his utmost gratitude to Mayor Reyes for its generosity and full support to MRO 7.

Meanwhile, MARINA Regional Office X (MRO10) will be signing agreements with the local governments of Ozamiz this year, and with Iligan in 2023.



MARINA PRIDE!

Congratulations to three (3) MARINA employees who successfully completed their Master of Science (MSc) degrees at the World Maritime University (WMU) in Malmo, Sweden on 31 October 2022!

First of which is Mr. Herbert V Nalupa who pursued his Master of Science in Maritime Affairs, with specialization in Maritime Education and Training (MET), graduated with distinction and bagged a record number of prizes such as the Chancellor's Medal for having the highest student grades, the CP Srivastava Award for embodying the highest sense of international fellowship and camaraderie and the MET Prize for graduating with the highest grades in the Maritime Education and Training specialization.

On 28 October 2022, Mr. Nalupa also received as one of the recipients the Kalmar Award for being the class' student role model.

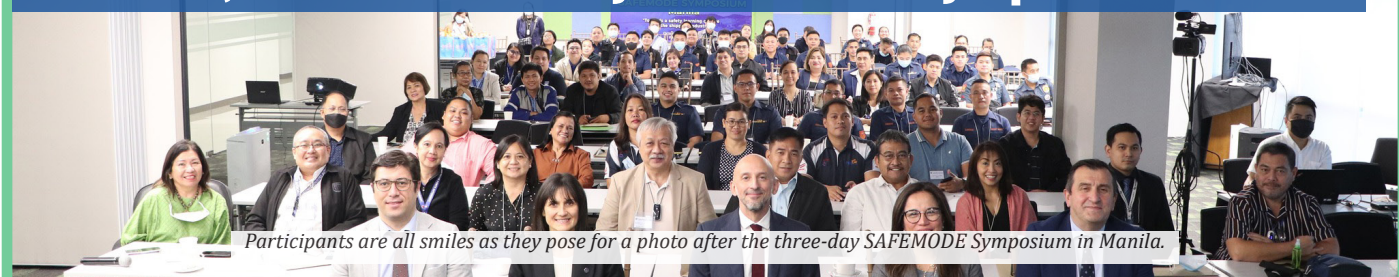
Mr. Nalupa is actually the first student, and a Filipino scholar at the WMU who received three (3) awards in a graduation ceremony of the University. His UN Fellowship sponsor is the TK Foundation.

Meanwhile, MARINA's Planning and Policy



Service (PPS) Ms. Pfarlin I Cortes has gained her Master of Science degree in Shipping Management and Logistics through a fellowship award from the International Chamber of Shipping, while Ms. Rochyl M Villamor, the pride of MARINA Regional Office 7 in Cebu City has completed her Master of Science in Maritime Safety and Environmental Administration through a fellowship award from the Australian Maritime Safety Agency (AMSA).

MARINA, APFC hold 3-day SAFEMODE Symposium Manila



The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), through its Shipyards Regulation Service (SRS) and Maritime Safety Service (MSS), in collaboration with the lead organizer Archipelago Philippine Ferries Corporation (APFC), conducted the SAFEMODE Symposium Manila at PPA Building, Port Area, Manila on 19-21 October 2022.

With the theme "Towards a safety learning culture for the shipping industry", the MARINA and APFC hosted the three-day activity, in line with the goal of SAFEMODE, which is to correct

problems brought about by human factors (HF) via improved assessment and management of human risk factors within a risk-based design and operation framework for maritime and aviation industries. This will facilitate the involvement of human factors disciplines and techniques in the design and safety assessment stages.

SAFEMODE is a 3-year research and innovation action project funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020 that brings together a strong consortium consisting of industry, academia,

MARINA, APFC HOLD...

within the aviation and maritime sector, with the aim of consolidating best practices for human factors (HF) input to transport safety.

During the event, MARINA Administrator Atty. Hernani Fabia delivered a speech virtually to officially welcome the participants and guests from different government agencies and private organizations.

He also reiterated the importance of enhancing safety in maritime and aviation operations in the country. Aside from the SAFEMODE, he also mentioned the programs and policies set by the government to ensure the quality of the services provided for the Filipino people.



Among the speakers invited by the APFC are professionals from European countries including the SAFEMODE Technical Coordinator Dr. Simone Pozzi, Scientific Coordinator for SAFEMODE Maritime Prof. Osman Turan, World Maritime University Research Associate Dr. Maria Carrera and University of Strathclyde-Department of Naval Architecture, Ocean and Marine Engineering PGT Recruitment Director Dr. Emek Kurt.

The said speakers presented the tools that designers and risk assessors may use in daily operations for addressing gaps in the current design and operational process, as far as the consideration of Human Factor risks are concerned.

Further, APFC Chairperson Ms. Mary Ann Pastrana facilitated the entirety of the symposium that was attended by the representatives from MARINA, Philippine Coast Guard, PNP-Maritime Group, Philippine Ports Authority and the representatives from maritime schools, shipping companies and other private stakeholders.

SAFEMODE also provided training and workshop for limited participants during the second and third day of the event.

MARINA STAKEHOLDERS EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR ADMIN FABIA LEADERSHIP

OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT FERDINAND "BONGBONG MARCOS, JR.
October 17, 2022

His Excellency FERDINAND R. MARCOS, JR.
President
Republic of the Philippines
Manila

Re: EXPRESSION OF SUPPORT TO MARINA ADMINISTRATOR ATTY. HERNANI N. FABIA

Dear President Marcos, Jr.,



We the shipowners, shipping companies and associations, shipyard companies and associations, maritime schools and maritime training institutions, fishing companies and associations and the maritime industry in general express our full support to Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Administrator Atty. Hernani N. Fabia.

We thank His Excellency for his concern for the maritime industry. We Congratulate His Excellency for appointing seasoned and able leaders and executives from the private sector who understands the maritime industry and the intricacies of domestic shipping and logistics with the appointment of DOT Secretary Jaime J. Basildan, Undersecretary for Maritime Emer Francisco U. Samarin and MARINA Administrator Atty. Hernani N. Fabia.

The several issues concerning the country's transportation industry needs leaders with intimate knowledge of its workings and listens to the concerns of the stakeholders. In the maritime sector, Marina Administrator Atty. Hernani N. Fabia has been providing able and visionary leadership by listening to the concerns of the maritime stakeholders and delicately balancing the sometimes divergent interests of the private sector, government and the general public towards a well-designed policy geared for the development of the maritime industry.

Furthermore, Administrator Hernani N. Fabia consults not only with the private sector but also with seasoned professionals within the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) on the pragmatic application of MARINA's mandate in the development of the shipping industry. Coming from the private sector and the academe, Administrator Hernani N. Fabia has intimate knowledge of the issues of the maritime industry and the effect of public policy in the growth of the shipping industry.

In light of the foregoing, we express our **FULL SUPPORT** to the MARINA Administrator Atty. Hernani N. Fabia. With Administrator Hernani N. Fabia at the helm, we are confident that MARINA will be steered towards a more responsive and world class government maritime agency.

MARITIME STAKEHOLDERS EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR MARINA ADMINISTRATOR FABIA THROUGH AN OPEN LETTER TO PBBM

Numerous maritime stakeholders have expressed their support to Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Administrator Atty. Hernani Fabia through an open letter to President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. on 28 October 2022, released by the Philippine Daily Inquirer.

The open letter has highlighted the trust and support of the undersigned to the Administrator, stressing his "intimate knowledge of the issues of the maritime industry, and the effect of public policy in the growth of the shipping industry."

"Atty. Hernani Fabia has been providing able and visionary leadership by listening to the concerns of the maritime stakeholders," the letter expressed.

The said letter of support was signed by ship owners, shipping companies and associations, shipyard companies and associations, maritime schools and maritime training institutions, fishing companies and associations.

MARINA POSTS GUIDELINES ON SPEEDY PROCESSING OF STCW CERTS

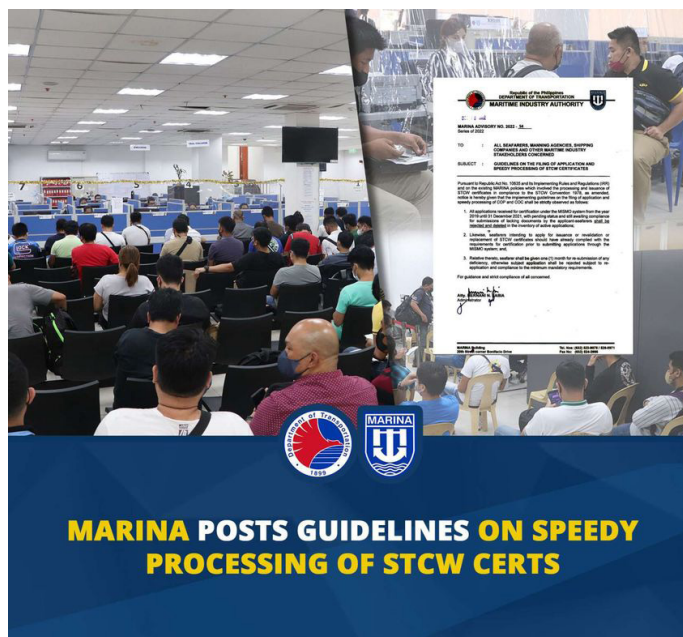
MANILA – The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) released on 10 October 2022 the MARINA Advisory 2022-54, providing guidelines on the filing of applications and speedy processing of Certificate of Competency (COC) and Certificate of Proficiency (COP).

Under this advisory, all applications for certification received through the MISMO system from 2019 until 31 December 2021 with pending status and still awaiting compliance for submissions of lacking documents by the applicant-seafarers will be rejected and deleted from the inventory of applications.

Likewise, the Advisory reiterates that seafarers intending to apply for the issuance, revalidation, or replacement of STCW certificates should have already met the certification requirements before submitting applications through the MISMO system.

Furthermore, seafarers shall be given one

(1) month to comply with any deficiency and re-submit correct documents. Otherwise, the application shall be rejected subject to re-application and compliance with the minimum mandatory requirements.



MARINA POSTS GUIDELINES ON SPEEDY PROCESSING OF STCW CERTS



MARINA - SRS, WWF EXPAND PARTNERSHIP ON SHIP, PORT WASTE MANAGEMENT

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), through its Shipyards Regulation Service (SRS), met with the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) - Philippines and WWF-Norway on 11 October 2022 at the MARINA Central Office.

MARINA Deputy Administrator for Operations Engr. Nanette Villamor-Dinopol and Ms. Czarina Constantino - Panopio of the WWF-Philippines spearheaded the meeting, which is an important part of the project of WWF with Grieg Group

entitled “Clean Ports, Clean Oceans: Improving port waste management in the Philippines.”

The topics discussed during the meeting revolved around the expansion of partnership between the MARINA and the WWF on Ship and Port Waste Management to different shipyards in the country.

The said meeting was also attended by SRS Director Engr. Ramon Hernandez, other MARINA

MARINA - SRS, WWF EXPAND...



MARINA, WWF take a group photo after discussing its plans and programs to resolve issues in ship, and port waste management.

personnel and the delegates from WWF including WWF-Norway Executive Director Karoline Andaur, and WWF-Norway Senior Advisor Emeline Pluchon.

The WWF delegates were also formally welcomed by Office of the Administrator Chief of Staff Atty. Jabeth Dacanay.

Few hours after the meeting, designated MARINA personnel accompanied the WWF delegates to the Josefa Slipways Inc. and Nautilus Shipyard & Repair Inc. in Navotas City to learn more about the

shipyards and their challenges relating to the solid waste management.

The said meeting and shipyard visit in Navotas City were expected to be significant factors in strengthening the partnership between the MARINA and WWF-Philippines.

It can also be recalled that the MARINA and the WWF-Philippines forged a partnership, through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), during the Second Marine Environment Protection Forum held at the Midas Hotel in Pasay City on 23 September 2022.

The purpose of the MoU is for the MARINA and WWF-Philippines to work together, with the help of other government organizations and private stakeholders, to strengthen the policies and programs with the shared goal of reducing plastic pollution by preventing plastic leakage into ports and the ocean, which negatively impacts marine life, human health, and livelihoods.

The National Strategic Action Plan on Marine Plastic Litter, as well as the communication materials for ships and ports, were also launched on the day of the MoU signing.

MARINA - MSS DELIVERS ISM CONVENTION

The MARINA, through its Maritime Safety Service (MSS) delivered a two-day virtual conference of this year's International Safety Management (ISM) Convention from 17-18 October 2022 via Zoom.

overview on the implementation of the ISM Code in the Philippines. The Convention commenced with the Oath Taking Ceremony of MARINA technical personnel as new ISM Auditors which was presided by MARINA Administrator Atty. Hernani N. Fabia.

This year's ISM Convention has provided an

Further, a workshop was held during the convention. The activity has paved the way to identify issues and concerns of the MARINA ISM Auditors. Such inputs will provide the management valuable information vital in determining the course of action to address the areas of concerns – as to further refine relevant MARINA Circulars, including but not limited to those related to the implementation of Safety



MARINA - MSS DELIVERS ISM...

Management Systems (SMS). The activity also ensured the uniform interpretation of the MARINA Auditors Manual (MAM).

To conclude the program, the Director of the Shipyards Regulation Service (SRS), Engr. Ramon C. Hernandez, delivered the closing remarks and stressed that through the joint undertaking, the MARINA is envisioned to promote a safety culture among Filipino seafarers, and shipping companies that goes beyond mere compliance.

The Convention was attended by all the MARINA authorized ISM Auditors,

Directors and Officers-in-Charge, and other technical personnel from MARINA Service Units and Regional Offices.

The MSS is currently being headed by OIC-Director Engr. Jedini Nur A. Sibala.



MARINA - LEGAL SERVICE TAKES CONGRESS LOBBY STRATEGIES

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), together with OIC-Executive Director of CHED-UNIFAST and former Undersecretary of the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) Atty. Ryan Estevez, conducted a workshop to enhance the lobbying strategies of MARINA in Congress and promote the passage into law of bills on the Philippine Ship Registry.

It should be noted that the MARINA is currently working double time to include its maritime bills in President Marcos Jr.'s Legislative Agenda.

Also present in the workshop was Undersecretary Edmund Tayao of the National Coast Watch Council Secretariat (NCWCS). The undersecretary also underscored the importance of inter-agency collaboration to further enhance the maritime industry.

The workshop was conducted during the 2022 MARINA Lawyers' Convention — an annual activity spearheaded by the MARINA Legal Service, which aims to train, enhance the skills, and capabilities of MARINA lawyers and non-lawyers alike in an effort to improve the Agency's policy-making function in the exercise of its quasi-legislative powers.



Lawyers, and officials of MARINA pose for photo with Administrator Fabia as they conclude the discussion on Congress lobby strategies.

MARINA REGION 12 PROPOSES FOUR-STOREY BUILDING IN GENSAN



MRO 12 OIC-Director Farida Guarino presents the proposed office building during a meeting with the infrastructure Committee at General Santos City.

The MARINA Regional Office XII (MRO 12) headed by OIC-Regional Director Farida B. Guarino presented to the Infrastructure Committee (InfraCom) the proposed MRO 12 four (4)-storey Office building which will be located at the Espacio Heneral, Barangay Buayan, General Santos City during the Simultaneous Sectoral Review and Endorsement of the CY 2024 Annual Investment Program (AIP) for SOCCSKSARGEN on 06 October 2022 at the City of Koronadal.

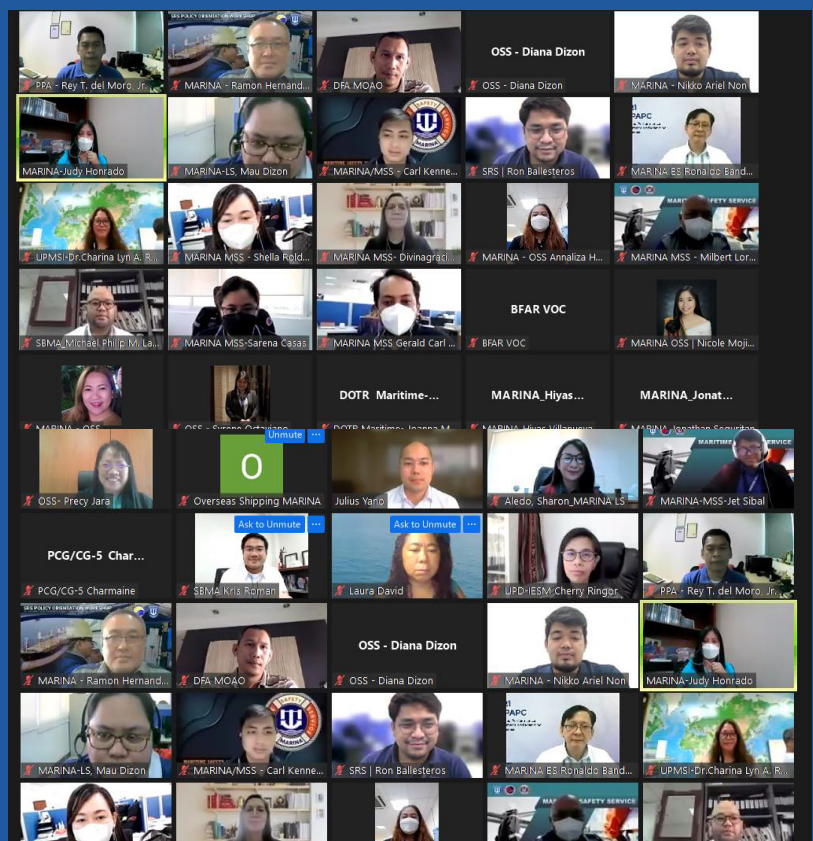
The proposed CY- 2024 AIP of MRO12 was duly approved, and that an RDC 12 resolution is underway.

The said meeting was also attended by the Sectoral Committee members, NGAs, SUCs, GOCCs, PSRs, LGUs as well as Congressional Representatives.

MARINA-OSS CONVENES ICCFRAIMC TWG

The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), through its Overseas Shipping Service (OSS), convened an Inter-agency Coordinating Committee to Facilitate the Ratification and Accession to and Implementation of Maritime Conventions (ICCFRAIMC) Technical Working Group (TWG) Meeting on 04 October 2022 via video conference.

Chaired by Atty. Julius Yano, Executive Assistant VI of the Office of the Undersecretary for Maritime of the Department of Transportation (DOTr), the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) provided updates on IMO Conventions related to maritime safety and marine environment protection.



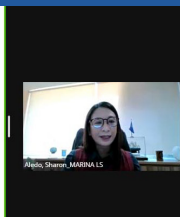
MARINA-OSS CONVENES...

Further, the Officer-In-Charge of the OSS, Ms. Precila C. Jara, discussed the Draft ICCFRAIMC Resolution No. 1 series of 2022 entitled, "Creation of Technical Working Groups' Permanent and Alternate Representatives and Assumptions of Commitment."

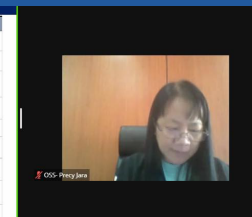
The ICCFRAIMC TWG Meeting was attended by representatives from the DOTr, Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), Department of Science

and Technology (DOST), MARINA, PCG, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA), Cebu Port Authority (CPA), Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Environmental Management Bureau (DENR – EMB), DENR – Biodiversity Management Bureau (DENR-BMB), University of the Philippines – Institute of Environmental Science and Meteorology (UP-IESM), and UP – Marine Science Institute (UP – MSI).

Activity	Attendees	Remarks
January 31, 2018 First stakeholder's consultation Held at the MARINA Hearing room, 3 rd floor, Mangrove Building	Fourteen attendees comprised of government agencies and private sector representatives (HNSM1)	Awareness campaign
12 March 2018 Stakeholders consultation Armada hotel	Twenty attendees (HNSM2)	Awareness campaign
02 October 2018 Stakeholders Consultation CEBU CITY	Twenty-eight attendees (HNSM3)	Awareness campaign Presentation of draft NIA Port visit
21-23 November 2018 Legislative Writing Workshop City of Manila	TWG members	Draft Legislation
30 July 2019 Stakeholder's Consultation Manila	Twenty-one stakeholders (HNSM4)	Awareness campaign Drafting of Briefers and FAQs by the TWG-HNS



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2. DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DFA)
3. DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DOST)
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9. MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE, UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES



MARINA-DSS CONDUCTS ONSITE ASSESSMENT IN MRO LA UNION



Personnel of the MARINA-DSS, and MRO La Union takes a group photo after the conduct of onsite assessment of DSS-delegated applications of said regional office.

The MARINA, through its Domestic Shipping Service, conducted an onsite assessment of the processing of DSS-delegated applications at the MARINA Regional Office (MRO) I and II in San Fernando, La Union from 19 to 21 October 2022.

The activity began with the presentation of the Oversight Functions of the DSS-CO per Administrative Order No. 03-22, which include Accreditation of Shipping Companies/Maritime Enterprises, Registration, and Licensing of Ships, Authority to Acquire thru Importation (ATI), Authority to Acquire through Bareboat Chartering

(BBC), Special Permit (SP), Suspension of Registry of Philippine Registered Ships and the Grant of Missionary and Pioneering Status.

Following the presentation, the team went on to perform the DSS oversight functions by randomly checking and assessing previous applications received by the MRO. Furthermore, several cases that the MRO had previously encountered were used to mentor the concerned personnel.

The closing meeting was held on 20 October 2022 where the DSS-CO presented a thorough

MARINA -DSS CONDUCTS ONSITE...



presentation of the results of the two-day activity. It was also remotely joined by the MRO 1 & 2 Director Atty. Maximo I. Banares and Ms. Myra Evangelista.

The MARINA DSS-CO team consisted of Ms. Imelda D. Tatad, Ms. Dana Justine dC. Natividad, and Ms. Melinda D. Ongayo were welcomed by the MRO 1 & 2 team led by Engr. Jess Avel Siares and Ms. Jo Ann Graycochea-Tomeldan.

MARINA - TACLOBAN PROCESSES REQUESTS OF LOCAL BOAT BUILDERS, MOTOR BANCA OPERATORS, OWNERS



The MARINA Regional Office VIII (MRO 8) has commenced its three-day Mobile Vessel and Crew Documentation, Registration and Licensing for small boat builders, and repairers today, 19 October 2022, at the province of Guiuan, Eastern Samar.

The activity, being facilitated by the MRO-8 Guiuan Satellite Unit, already processed the applications of local boat builders and repairers, motor banca owners and operators, and various motor banca crew (boat captains and motormen).

The three-day initiative is in collaboration with the National Bureau of Investigation Regional Office VIII (NBI RO 8), which also assisted in the processing of NBI clearances. The said document is a requirement for the MARINA issuance of a Certificate of Marine Profession (CMP – Boat Captain and Motorman License).

The area of Guiuan, Eastern Samar is a coastal municipality with 19 island barangays whose only means of transportation are motor bancas, and most of its residents rely on fishing as means of livelihood.



Local boat owners, motor banca operators line up to process their licenses at MARINA-Tacloban.

MARINA - ILOILO TRAINS 36 SEAFARERS

The Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office VI (MRO 6) has facilitated the training of 36 seafarers from the provinces of Iloilo, and Antique on 13-16 October 2022, held at the Tiolas, San Joaquin, Iloilo.

The regional office, being led by Regional Director Jeffrey A. Bangsa delivered to the domestic seafarers the Special Modified Basic Safety Training (MBST) with Typhoon Awareness and Preparedness, in pursuant with MARINA Administrative Order No. 07-13.

The training, which was participated by seafarers onboarding fishing motor bancas below 35 GT, was conducted by Engr. Rufina A. Aquino, assisted by Ms. Gloria P. Legarde.

Further, an orientation on Gender and Development (GAD) was also included in the lecture. This is to raise the awareness of local trainees/domestic seafarers on gender-related issues.



36 local seafarers of Iloilo and Antique undergo MBST Training facilitated by MARINA Regional Office 6.

MARINA - MISS DATA CLEANS PH REGISTRY



The MARINA, through its Management Information System Service (MISS), conducted a Data Cleaning on the Philippine Registry and Deployment of MARINA Accomplishment Report Management System (ARMS), and the IDSIS Module for Registration and Licensing of Vessels at the MARINA Regional Office VIII (MRO 8) at Tacloban City today, 17 October 2022.

The MARINA MISS, represented by Dr. Joseph Victor S. Generato and Mr. Ramil P. Rico discussed the various systems that will be used by MROs as the agency aims to centralize data reports.

The activity was joined by representatives from the Technical Service Unit, Shipping and Franchising Service Unit, Administrative and Finance Service Unit, Legal Service Unit and the Information System Service Unit.

MARINA - ILOILO DISCUSSES MARINA POLICIES ON PCG

The MARINA Regional Office VI (MR06) discussed new, and existing policies of the Agency during a lecture session with personnel of the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG) on 17 October 2022.

The lectures were focused on discussing the new, and existing memorandum circulars of MARINA, particularly the documentation requirements of ships. The MARINA also tackled the Rules and Regulations on the Construction of Tank and Installation of Equipment to Collect; Store and Treat Sewage from Ships in Compliance to Annex IV of MARPOL 73/78, as amended; and the application of Anti-fouling Paints and Systems in compliance to the International Convention on the Control of Harmful Anti-Fouling Systems in Ships (AFS Convention).

The said undertaking aims to help the PCG in efficiently and effectively perform their functions in helping the MARINA in implementing such regulations, particularly when it comes to the rules and regulations related to maritime safety and marine environmental protection.

During the open forum, PCG Commander Belarmino expressed the importance of having an inter-agency coordination – both of which are



tasked to implement regulations in the maritime industry.

MARINA - CEBU CATERS APPLICATIONS OF NSA SCHOLARS, UCLM CADETS

The MARINA Regional Office VII (MR07) processed the SRB/SID applications of the Norwegian Shipowner's Association (NSA) Scholars and Cadets of the University of Cebu Lapu-Lapu Mandaue Campus (UCLM) on 01 October 2022 in Sudlon Lahug, Cebu City.

Applications of 280 students of Bachelor of Science in Marine Transportation and Bachelor of Science in Marine Engineering were processed, and such requests will be released the following week.

The said initiative was requested by the UCLM, and granted by the MARINA, to give hundreds of cadets an opportunity to process their SRBs/SIDs, prior to their deployment on the upcoming Shipboard Training in October 2022.

MARINA PHOTO ARCHIVE



Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Administrator Atty. Hernani Fabia welcomed the Archipelago Philippine Ferries Corporation (APFC) and SAFEMODE Symposium Manila trainers as they paid a courtesy visit on 21 October 2022 at the MARINA Central Office.

Administrator Fabia, along with his Chief of Staff Atty. Jabeth Dacanay and Shipyards Regulation Service Director II Engr. Ramon Hernandez, met the professionals from European countries and organizers of the SAFEMODE after their three-day activity held at PPA Building.

SAFEMODE is a 3-year Research and Innovation action project funded by the European Union's Horizon 2020 that brings together a strong consortium consisting of industry, academia, within the aviation and maritime sector, with the aim of consolidating best practices for Human Factors (HF) input to transport safety.





Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) Administrator Atty. Hernani Fabia met with the STCW Advisory Council (SAC) on 26 October 2022 at the MARINA Central Office, Manila.

The SAC was formed to assist the Agency in ensuring its compliance with the STCW Convention 1978, as amended.

During the meeting, both parties have determined the role and responsibilities of SAC, and the current status of incumbent SAC

members.

Joining with Administrator Fabia were MARINA officials STCW Office OIC-Executive Director Samuel Batalla, Chief of Staff Atty. Jabeth Dacanay, OIC-Deputy Executive Director Capt. Vicente Navarro.

As for the SAC, present during the meeting were SAC Chairman Capt. Victor Del Prado, members CE Alfredo Haboc, Mr. Sabino Czar Manglicmot II, Capt. Ronaldo Enrile, Capt. Herminio Estaniel, and Capt. Emerico Gepilano.

