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## We take part in Regional Cooperation and Partnership on Maritime Safety, Security, and Enforcement, such as:

Tokyo MOU on Port State Control

Regional Cooperative Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery in Asia-Information Sharing Center (ReCAAP-ISC)

ASEAN-OSRAP (ASEAN Oil Spill Response Action Plan)

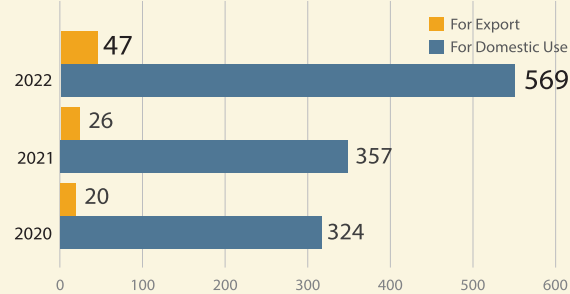
Course offerings on Vessel Traffic Service (VTS) Operators

Bilateral agreements to foster cooperation and collaboration on maritime safety, maritime security, maritime search and rescue, and marine environment protection



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## In shipbuilding, we are the 5th largest in the world, based on the global orderbook



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## Digital Transformation equips the Maritime Industry with better processes and systems for Filipino seafarers, as:

**E-certification.** The MARINA implements a full digital process in issuing electronic STCW certificates

**Automated Systems using Blockchain Technology.** Through the MARINA, the Philippines has developed the Blockchain Enabled Automated Certification Systems for seafarers, ships, and all other MARINA processes, institutionalizing efficiency and security in information systems for all stakeholders.

*Why vote for the Philippines?*

*"We give the world our best!"*  
- Filipino Seafarers

## The Philippines

A Member State of the International Maritime Organization (IMO)

An active member of the IMO Council Category C since 1997

Home to the IMO Regional Presence for Technical Cooperation for East Asia since 2003



# THE PHILIPPINES



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## 1 We provide competent, highly trained, and proficient seafarers serving the international merchant marine fleet

We maintain strong bilateral relations with Member States on the **recognition of Certificates of Competency and Issuance of Endorsements** pursuant to Regulation 1/10 of the STCW Convention.

We are the **first Member State** recognized by the ILO to have fully complied with the international requirements of the **Seafarers' Identity Documents Convention** (ILO Convention No. 185).

We are a **member of the Joint ILO and IMO Tripartite Working Group** to identify and address seafarers' issues and the human element.



**171,280**

No. of Certified Officers

**45,317**

No. of Female Seafarers

Source: Maritime Industry Authority, STCW Office, 26 April 2023

## 2 We are implementing the Maritime Industry Development Plan 2028

### Overriding programs in achieving desired outcomes

- Enhancement of maritime transport safety and security
- Implementation of sustainable maritime innovation, transformation, digitalization, and knowledge center
- Promotion of an environmentally sustainable maritime industry

### Core programs

- Promotion of highly skilled and competitive workforce
- Modernization and expansion of domestic shipping (TDAs & CWTS included)
- Modernization, expansion, and promotion of the shipbuilding and ship repair industry
- Promotion and expansion of the overseas shipping industry

### Enabling programs to push both core and overriding programs forward

- Adoption and implementation of an effective and efficient maritime administration governance system

The **Maritime Industry Development Plan 2028 (MIDP 2028)** envisions a robust, stable, and upgraded Philippine merchant marine fleet meeting national and global standards together with advancements in maritime human capital. The MIDP 2028 is anchored and aligned with the **UN Sustainable Development Goals, AmBisyon Natin 2040, Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028**, and other laws on gender and development, accessibility, ease of doing business, and other affiliated policies.

## 3 Transitioning to green shipping, we take the lead on various IMO long-term projects, such as:

The **GEF-UNDP-IMO GloFouling Partnerships Project**, through multilevel interventions in governments and private organizations, collaborating with key partners with the aim to protect marine ecosystems from the negative effects of invasive species.

The **IMO-Norad**, through the Marine Environment Protection for Southeast Asia Seas (MEPSEAS), enhances the capacity of countries involved in the implementation of high-priority marine environment conventions with focus on the effective implementation of the IMO treaties.

The **GloMEEP** seeks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from shipping and supports the Philippines to implement measures through (1) legal policy and institutional reforms; (2) maritime sector energy efficiency capacity building, awareness raising, knowledge creation, and dissemination; (3) public-private partnerships to catalyse maritime sector energy efficiency innovation, research & development, and technology deployment.

The **Study on the enhancement of safety (FSA-P) and energy efficiency (ENV-P)** of domestic passenger ships aims to identify gaps in safety, energy efficiency, and decarbonization in shipping and to provide a path to a sustainable maritime environment linking more than 7,100 islands in the archipelago.

The **National Strategic Action Plan under Green Maritime Philippines: Protect and Conserve**, is the country's road map in the implementation of IMO Conventions on the protection of marine environment.

- **Anti-Marine Plastic Litter** aims to reduce, and prevent plastic pollution from ships and ports; a partnership between MARINA and the World Wide Fund for Nature-Philippines

- **Green Port Initiatives** aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, air and marine pollution, and wastes, while actively engaging with stakeholders; also a partnership between the Philippine Ports Authority and the World Wide Fund for Nature-Philippines