

## **Opening Message**

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### **Maritime Safety Implementation Plan (MSIP) 2025- 2028 For Domestic Ferries and Passenger Ships 23 January 2025**

Good morning to you all, colleagues and hardworking personnel of MARINA.

It is with great enthusiasm and a sense of shared purpose that I open today's workshop on the development of the Maritime Safety Implementation Plan (MSIP) 2025–2028 for domestic ferries and passenger ships. This activity marks a significant step in our agency's concerted effort to place at the forefront our maritime safety agenda to ensure the protection of lives, property, and the marine environment.

This workshop builds on the insights and collaborative spirit fostered through recent engagements such as:

- The Maritime Safety Summit held on 15 November 2023;
- The FME Concentrated Campaign on Maritime Safety (2022–2024);
- The Focused Group Discussion on Maritime Safety (21–23 August 2024);
- The Maritime Safety Culture Awareness Campaign Caravan on 15 October 2024; and
- The 5th ASEAN Regional Forum on Ferry Safety (30–31 October 2024)

This workshop is a unique opportunity for us to come together and align our efforts toward a shared vision of maritime safety excellence. Our discussions today will focus on shaping and refining the MSIP 2025–2028, a roadmap that reflects our commitment to proactive safety management and sustainable maritime practices.

Throughout the 2-days workshop, let us bring our collective expertise, passion, and dedication to the table. Together, we will identify actionable solutions, enhance our strategies, and solidify our roles as stewards of maritime safety. Your insights and active participation will be invaluable in ensuring that this plan is not only robust but also achievable and impactful.

Let us seize this opportunity to strengthen our commitment to safer seas and a resilient maritime industry. Thank you, and I look forward to the productive discussions and outcomes of this workshop.