

## LEVEL ONE DISTANCE LEARNING

"The successful delivery of AtoN services depends upon competent and experienced personnel to implement and maintain such aids". The acquisition of demonstrated competency as a "Level 1" AtoN manager is achieved through passing the three examinations covering the 5 modules of the Level 1 AtoN manager course based on IALA model course E141/1.

The Academy instigated a three-month trial of "distance learning" in early 2016 for modules 1 and 2 (IALA; International Organisations; UNCLOS; Nautical Knowledge and an introduction to AtoN). From July to October2016 a proof-of-concept programme covering modules 1 and 2 and 4 and 5 (technical aspects of AtoN and power supplies) was conducted using volunteer participants from developed IALA member States. This project was successful with all participants passing their tests of competency. Formal distance learning for participants will now commence in January 2017.

Module 3 (The Management of AtoN) is not suitable for distance learning. The Academy and other Accredited Training Organisations will deliver one-week module 3 courses annually. Success on these courses will enable participants who have successfully completed modules 1 and 2; 4 and 5 to qualify as fully-certified AtoN managers in accordance with Recommendation E-141.

The registration fee for modules 1 and 2 will be €1,000. The same fee will apply to modules 4 and 5. The registration fee for the one-week module 3 will be €650.

A maximum of 16 participants will be accepted for the first distance learning course commencing in January 2017. It comprises 5 lessons delivered using 15 MS Office PowerPoint presentations. A **minimum time of 36 hours** is recommended for this self-study programme. The examination for modules 1 and 2 will be conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and that for modules 4 and 5 in October 2017. The first one-week module 3 course will be held in IALA Headquarters from 3-7 April 2017. Subsequent courses will be advertised on the IALA website so that successful participants can achieve full certification within one year.

An application form is attached to this flyer. Applicants who demonstrate a basic knowledge of AtoN management on a prequalification test will commence their study on **9 January 2017**. All IALA member States are encouraged to support potential managers to participate in this programme.

Feedback from the first participant to gain a Level 1 AtoN manager certificate through the distance learning programme:

I have just completed the WWA Level 1 AtoN manager course by distance learning and have found it very enriching. The course content has really widened my appreciation and understanding of the whole arena of AtoN planning and provision and has given me a much greater understanding of the work of my colleagues and how it fits together to provide a first class AtoN service. The main challenge for me was allocating time for study whilst balancing work and family time as the lesson modules were sent to me so a disciplined approach is required in order to complete the course successfully. The course covers a very broad range of topics across all areas of AtoN provision and this has been very rewarding for me and I would recommend it to all AtoN managers.

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

## **Level 1 AtoN Manager Training - Distance Learning**

Module 1;2

9 January to 27 March 2017

Participant's details	Inclusive cost: €1,000.00
Surname (family name):	Payment details
First name (given name):	by enclosed cheque or bank draft in EUROS
Title (Mr. /Mrs. /Dr., etc.):	by VISA or MASTERCARD
Organisation or company:	No:
	Expiry date:
Address:	Holder's name:
	Total to be charged:
	Signature
Country:	by bank transfer on receipt of an invoice
Phone (incl. country code):	Other requirements (please specify):
Mobile (incl. country code):	
e-mail:	
Note that acceptance on this course will be	
dependent on an analysis of the pre-course	
assessment test which should be completed and	CANCELLATION POLICY
returned to stephen.bennett@iala-aism.org before	All cancellations must be sent by e-mail to
18 November 2016.	secgen@iala-aism.org
e-mail for the pre-course assessment test if	A refund in full of the registration fee will only be provided if notification is given at least one week prior to
different from above:	the start date. Otherwise, a cancellation charge of 50% will be applied. Name changes will be accepted.
	In case of withdrawal part way through the course, the
The study programme of 5 lessons (36 hours self-	registration fee will not be refunded.
study) will be supplied to participants after	

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