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1. IMC Meeting held on Hamilton Island, Australia, October 7 & 8.

Attendance:

All IMC with exception of Clive Quickenden who sent his apologies
Gary Prosser, IALA Sec Gen

The purpose of this meeting was to finalize the plans for the IMC activities of 2014 IALA Conference and Exhibition as well as the details of the Industrial Members' Evening.

2. IMC Conference and Exhibition status

Gary updated on the conference status in general. Booking was still slow which was not unusual, with about 70 delegates registered. The arrangements with PdE seems to be working well, and next conference committee meeting was scheduled on October.

By end September only 41 booths had been booked, and only 17 companies registered as exhibitors. IMC decided to send out a reminder to the membership through the regional representatives, and also include a flyer developed by the IMC Secretary in the next distribution of IALA Bulletin. The budget is based upon minimum of 80 booths sold, but the IMC expected this number to be reached by Christmas.

The IMC decided to keep sending an updated list and a reminder once a month up to the deadline 25th of January 2014.

Possible application for booths by associated members and national members was discussed, as this question had been raised to the IALA Secretariat. The IMC decided that only national members who want to promote other IALA venues should be allowed to book a booth. If the national members have products and service offering to the membership, then they would need to exhibit as an industrial member.

The IM's who are interested in sponsorship, should select a sponsorship package from the Conference online system (www.iala2014spain.com).

The IMC agreed upon Sec Gen request to sponsor up to 20.000 EUR for supporting the travel expenses for delegates who otherwise would not be able to attend the meeting. As the conference is in Spain, special focus should be on the small countries in Central and South America. It is up to IALA to identify the individuals that are selected for the support package.

3. 2014 IMC Industrial Evening

The jetty selected as the site for the industrial dinner was not available due to visiting cruise ships in the week of the conference. The yard of the marine was proposed by PdE as an alternative, and accepted by the IMC. However, the rental cost for the marine yacht was not known at the time for the meeting and that cost was not budgeted. The IMC President promised to get back to the IMC with the costs within a few weeks.

The entertainment package included in the exhibition organizing company's offering is on a general level, and the final content will be decided early 2014.

4. 2014 Finances

A new procedure has been adopted by IALA to recover unpaid fees. The three stage procedure has an increasing level of severity and penalties are applied. Also the member who is late in payment will have the membership benefits and rights suspended in stages before the final termination of membership by the Council.

New bank accounts have been opened for the IMC under IALA Secretariat, and IMC treasurer will transfer all funds into these accounts and close down the US accounts.

A full financial report by the Treasurer is attached to these minutes of the meeting.

5. IMC support for the 2016 IALA VTS Symposium (Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia):

The IMC involvement in the Symposium is not formalized in the IMC Byelaws, although the IMC have had an observer involved in the steering committee of the Symposium since the Hong Kong Symposium 2004.

The Sec Gen asked the IMC if we have an interest to increase the involvement in the arrangements of the Symposium. It was decided that the current level with an Observer to advise and assist the Steering Committee represented a suitable level of involvement. The current IMC Byelaws does not currently give the IMC the proxy to take more liability in this venue.

The dates for the next Symposium are 8th to 12th of August 2016

6. Sec Gen update on work going on in IALA

Change of state of organization

The Council has decided to look into changing the legal status of IALA into an International Organization. The current legal status in France is equal to that of the French charity organization, which is a limitation and causes some problem. The conversion process is a major legal process, and will take years to achieve. In order to inform membership, and to get approvals of the members, the Secretariat has produced a comprehensive booklet which explains what the change is all about. Information is available on IALA's website on this topic.

IMO Maritime Sustainable Transport System

Sec Gen briefed on the work started to look into 3 areas of the IMO's list of development areas, including maritime traffic support and advisory systems.

New IALA website

The new system has now been operational for two months, and the frame for the IMC committee site has been created. IMC will provide the data to the Secretariat for uploading to the site. Members are encouraged to visit the site and register as users.

World Wide Academy

Ongoing discussions with main sponsors have been going on well, and the models for sponsoring the training sessions have been successful. All IM's are invited to offer their expertise and assistance to the WWA.

7. IALA Council Observer report

It was noted that no Observer report had been distributed to the members from the last Council meeting (June 2013).

8. PAP report

Steve Nell, the PAP representative gave a quick presentation of discussions going on in the PAP.

11.11.2013 Lars Mansner