

INTRODUCTION

The meeting commenced at 11am at the above mentioned location.

There were 9 delegates in attendance and 1 by remote using skype.

The meeting was scheduled to run from 11 am to 3pm.

Organizations represented were NI (3), OCIMF (2), IMPA (1), IFSMA (1), Shell (1), Gard P&I Club (1) and Intertanko (1)

DISCUSSION

First Item to be discussed was *“Industry Recommendation for ECDIS Familiarity”* Attachment 1 to this document. This was debated and amendments made to ensure that the group were in agreement with the content.

There were a number of items that had to be amended to ensure that the group was in agreement with the content before it would be released.

Item raised was for a short paper to be produced and presented to IMO for MSC 91 (November 2012) which will be supported by the members of the industry technical group. This could not be completed within the time frame available.

The discussion stalled with an in-depth debate on safety contour settings and the problem with electronic charts and demands of ECDIS charts against standard supplied by the hydrographic office.

Second Item was the Familiarisation Checklist. This was agreed to keep the content but to remove the column for referencing. This will be found in Attachment 2 to this document.

Third Item was a Proposal for The Industry Guide to Implementing ECDIS. The Proposal can be found in Attachment 3 of this document. More importantly the chapters are being divided up into chapters written by various organizations.

The following is the outline of the course. This is the first draft and will be amended to fit the full spectrum of needs.

Chapter 8 – On-board Procedures (IFSMA)

Outlining the importance of and guidance for on board operational procedure for the use of ECDIS.

This will be discussed and approval required from ExCo. At this time this topic has been promoted to ExCo members for approval or rejection.

After the meeting there have been a number of correspondences from various members of the Working Group declining the offer to participate. Most notably have been ICS and Intertanko.

Many groups are questioning the need for another publication on this topic especially in light of the forthcoming MSC 91 in November 2012 at the IMO where a number of issues may be resolved.

No exact date has been set for the next meeting of this group. There will be correspondence between members to see how this TG will progress but it will be dominated by the support or lack of it for this new publication.