SECOND IORA MEETING OF EXPERTS FOR MARITIME SAFETY AND SECURITY
(7-8 November 2017, New Delhi, India)
Venue: Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA), New Delhi

AGENDA OUTLINE

DAY ONE - 7 NOVEMBER 2017
09:00-09:30 Registration of Participants
09:30-10:15 Inaugural Session
   - Welcome Address by DDG, IDSA, Maj Gen Alok Deb (Retd)
   - Opening Remarks by IORA Secretary General, Ambassador KV Bhagirat
   - Keynote Address by Foreign Secretary, Government of India, Dr S Jaishankar
10:15-11:00 Group Photograph (delegates) and High Tea
11:00 Onwards Working Sessions
11:00-12:45 Session One: Maritime Safety and Security Challenges in the Indian Ocean Region
   Chair: Dr David Brewster, Senior Research Fellow, National Security College, Australian National University, Australia
   Panel Members:
   - Mr Elmir Mohamed Ahmed, Commanding Officer, Comoros Coast Guard (Comoros)
   - VAdm Pradeep Chauhan (Retd), Director, National Maritime Foundation (India)
   - Mr Rahim Faghih Abdollahi, Port Facility Security Officer, Ports and Maritime Organisation (Iran)
   - Mr Krishna Jhugroo, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mauritius Police Force (Mauritius)
   - Mr Muhyadin Ali Yusuf, Chairman, Maritime Safety & Security Coordination Committee (Somalia)
12:45-13:00 Q & A
13:00-14:00 Lunch
14:00-15:15  **Session Two: Geostrategic Cooperation - An Indian Ocean Architecture**

**Chair:** Dr C Raja Mohan, Director, Carnegie India *(Carnegie Endowment for International Peace)*

**Panel Members:**
- Ambassador Yogendra Kumar (Retd) *(India)*
- Dr Sinderpal Singh, Senior Fellow, South Asia Programme, S Rajaratnam School of International Studies *(Singapore)*
- Lieutenant Commander Uditha Gamage, Sri Lanka Coast Guard *(Sri Lanka)*
- Capt Gurpreet Khurana, Executive Director, National Maritime Foundation *(India)*

15:15-15:30   Q & A

15:30-15:45   Coffee/Tea Break

15:45-17:00  **Session Three: Inclusive Approach to Maritime Domain Awareness**

**Chair:** Capt Martin A Sebastian RMN (R), Senior Fellow, Centre for Maritime Security & Diplomacy, Malaysia

**Panel Members:**
- Capt Michael McArthur, Director, RAN Sea Power Centre, Department of Defence, Australia *(Australia)*
- Cmde Abhay Kumar Singh (Retd), Research Fellow, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses *(India)*
- Captain Zaid Jaber Ali Al-Zahli, Ministry of Defence *(Oman)*
- Cdr Arun Charoenphol, Head of International Maritime Collaboration Section, Maritime Security Affairs, Naval Operations Department, Royal Thai Navy *(Thailand)*

17:00-17:15   Q & A

18:30 Onwards  **Networking Dinner**
DAY TWO – 8 NOVEMBER 2017

09:30-10:00 Arrival of Participants

10:00-11:15 Session Four: Regional Legal Framework for Maritime Governance

Chair: Cmde C Uday Bhaskar (Retd), Director, Society for Policy Studies, India

Panel Members:
- Mr Sunil Kumar Agarwal, Associate Fellow, Indian Society of International Law (ISIL), New Delhi (India)
- Prof Melda Kamil Ariadno, Professor in International Law and Head of the International Office, University of Indonesia (Indonesia)
- Mrs Sewrany Gowrydoss, Ag Deputy Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Defence and Rodrigues (Mauritius)
- Commander (ASW) Padmratana Liyanage, Command Harbour Defence Officer (Western Naval Area) (Sri Lanka)

11:15-11:30 Q & A

11:30-11:45 Coffee/Tea Break

11:45-13:15 Session Five: Creating Synergy in Capacity and Capability Building

Chair: Vice Admiral Anup Singh (Retd), Member, Executive Council, Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, India

Panel Members:
- Cdr Ahmad Al Karim, Director (Law), Maritime Affairs Unit, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Bangladesh)
- Mr Dinkar Asthana, Joint Secretary DPA-II, Ministry of External Affairs - MEA perspective (India)
- Cmde Nishant Kumar, Director, Military Affairs, DISA, Ministry of External Affairs – Naval perspective (India)
- Commander Randrianantenaina Jean Edmond, Director General of Maritime Information Fusion Center (Madagascar)
- Boetse Ramahlho, Executive, South African Maritime Safety Authority (South Africa)

13:15-13:30 Q & A

13:30-14:30 Lunch
14:30-16:00  Session Six (Concluding Session): Outcomes and Deliverables

- **Special Address:** G Ashok Kumar AVSM, VSM, Deputy Chief of Naval Staff (DCNS), India
- **Overview of the Meeting:** Maj Gen Alok Deb (Retd), DDG, IDSA
- **Concluding Remarks:** Ambassador KV Bhagirath, IORA Secretary General
- **Vote of Thanks:** Ms Ruchita Beri, Senior Research Associate & Coordinator (Africa, LAC & UN Centre), IDSA

16:00  High Tea