



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

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| 09:00-09:30 | Registration of Participants |
| 09:30-10:15 | Inaugural Session <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 Ramahlo, 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