PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for the sixth session of the Sub-Committee to be held at IMO Headquarters,
4 Albert Embankment, London, SE1 7SR,
from Monday, 18 to Friday, 22 February 2019

(Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 18 February 2019)

Opening of the session

1 Adoption of the agenda

2 Decisions of other IMO bodies

3 Safety and pollution hazards of chemicals and preparation of consequential amendments to the IBC Code (6.3)

4 Revised guidance on ballast water sampling and analysis (1.14)

5 Revised guidance on methodologies that may be used for enumerating viable organisms (1.15)

6 Amendment of annex 1 to the AFS Convention to include controls on cybutryne, and consequential revision of relevant guidelines (2.19)

7 Consideration of the impact on the Arctic of emissions of Black Carbon from international shipping (3.3)

8 Consistent implementation of regulation 14.1.3 of MARPOL Annex VI (1.17)

9 Amendments to regulation 14 of MARPOL Annex VI to require a dedicated sampling point for fuel oil (2.14)

10 Standards for shipboard gasification of waste systems and associated amendments to regulation 16 of MARPOL Annex VI (2.18)

11 Review of the 2015 Guidelines for Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems (resolution MEPC.259(68)) (1.12)

12 Development of measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of heavy fuel oil as fuel by ships in Arctic waters (6.11)
13 Review of the IBTS Guidelines and amendments to the IOPP Certificate and Oil Record Book (2.13)

14 Amendments to the 2012 Guidelines on implementation of effluent standards and performance tests for sewage treatment plants (resolution MEPC.227(64)) to address inconsistencies in their application (1.26)

15 Guide on practical methods for the implementation of the OPRC Convention and the OPRC-HNS Protocol (1.13)

16 Unified interpretation to provisions of IMO environment-related conventions (6.1)

17 Biennial agenda and provisional agenda for PPR 7

18 Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2020

19 Any other business

20 Report to the Marine Environment Protection Committee

Notes:

1 In accordance with the Organization and method of work of the Maritime Safety Committee and the Marine Environment Protection Committee and their subsidiary bodies (MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1):

   .1 documents should be received by the Secretariat as follows:

   .1 documents (including information documents submitted in hard copy only) containing more than six pages of text¹,² (bulky documents), by Friday, 16 November 2018;

   .2 non-bulky documents including information documents (six pages or fewer) and bulky information documents submitted in electronic format, by Friday, 14 December 2018; and

   .3 documents commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 and .2 above containing four pages or less, by Friday, 28 December 2018 (see also paragraph 6.12.5 of the Committees’ Methods of work);

   .2 for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing, and be as concise as possible, and:

¹ Documents other than information documents and reports from sub-committees, working, drafting, correspondence and other working groups and the Secretariat, which contain more than 20 pages, in line with paragraph 6.11 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1, will not be translated in their entirety. Such documents should include, for translation purposes, a summary not longer than four pages, with the technical content submitted as an annex in the language needed by working groups (i.e. English).

² As a general rule, documents, other than information documents and reports of committees and subsidiary bodies, working, drafting, correspondence and other reporting groups and the Secretariat, should not contain more than 50 pages. In the case of documents containing more than 50 pages, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of the annex to MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5/Rev.1 are to be applied.
all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with section 6 of the Committees' Method of work;

substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action that the Sub-Committee is invited to take; and

information documents should conclude with a summary of the information contained therein;

the following word-processing format should be observed in order to standardize the presentation of documents:
- font: Arial;
- font size: 11;
- justification: full;
- margins: 2 cm top, 2.5 cm bottom, left and right.

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2 The Committees' Method of work, inter alia, request the Secretariat to strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Member States or international organizations.

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