PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for the ninety-ninth session of the Maritime Safety Committee to be held
from Wednesday, 16 to Friday, 25 May 2018
at IMO Headquarters, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR

Session commences at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 16 May 2018

Opening of the session

1 Adoption of the agenda; report on credentials
2 Decisions of other IMO bodies
3 Consideration and adoption of amendments to mandatory instruments
4 Measures to enhance maritime security
5 Regulatory scoping exercise for the use of Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS)
6 Goal-based new ship construction standards
7 Safety measures for non-SOLAS vessels operating in polar waters
8 Carriage of cargoes and containers (report of the fourth session of the Sub-Committee)
9 Implementation of IMO instruments (report of the fourth session of the Sub-Committee)
10 Ship design and construction (report of the fifth session of the Sub-Committee)
11 Pollution prevention and response (report of the fifth session of the Sub-Committee)
12 Navigation, communications and search and rescue (report of the fifth session of the Sub-Committee)
13 Ship systems and equipment (urgent matters emanating from the fifth session of the Sub-Committee)
14 Implementation of the STCW Convention
15 Capacity building for the implementation of new measures
16 Formal safety assessment
17 Piracy and armed robbery against ships
18 Unsafe mixed migration by sea
19 Application of the Committee's procedures on organization and method of work
20 Work programme
21 Any other business
22 Consideration of the report of the Committee on its ninety-ninth session

Notes:

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

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

.1 documents containing proposals for new outputs, by 13 February 2018 (13-week deadline);

.2 documents (including information documents) containing more than six pages of text (bulky documents), by 13 February 2018 (13-week deadline);

.3 non-bulky documents including information documents (six pages or fewer) and bulky information documents submitted in electronic format, by 13 March 2018 (nine-week deadline); and

.4 documents (four pages or less) commenting on those referred to in subparagraphs .1 to .3 above, by 27 March 2018 (seven-week deadline). These documents should start with a paragraph clearly indicating the document on which comments are made and stating that the document is submitted in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6.12.5 of MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5;

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 MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5, 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 In the case of documents containing more than 50 pages, the provisions of paragraph 6.12.1 of MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5 are to be applied.
for reasons of economy, documents should be submitted in single spacing and be as concise as possible and:

.1 all documents should include a brief summary prepared in accordance with MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5;

.2 substantive documents should conclude with a summary of the action the Committee is invited to take; and

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

.3 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.

A template is available on the IMODOCS website for use in the preparation of documents.

To facilitate the processing of documents, they should be sent via email in Microsoft Word to IMO’s email address: info@imo.org. It should be noted that the file size limit for the IMO email system is set at 10 Mbytes. If submitters do not receive an acknowledgement receipt by the Secretariat within five working days, they should contact info@imo.org without delay referring to the original email.

The MSC has recommended that the provisions of MSC-MEPC.1/Circ.5, which, inter alia, provide that the Secretariat should strictly apply the rules concerning the submission of documents and not accept late submissions from Governments or delegations, should be strictly observed.