

# **Enhancing Maritime Safety through Knowledge-Sharing and Dialogue**

Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore





# Scope of Presentation

- Overview of Safety@Sea Framework
- Update on MPA's Safety at Sea Initiatives
  - Safe Passage in the Singapore Strait video
  - Passenger safety video for regional ferries
  - Near miss reporting
- Enhancing maritime safety through knowledge sharing and dialogue
  - Safety@Sea Week 2017
  - Community of Practice Forum on maritime safety
  - Industry briefings and workshops
  - Safety E-Bulletin
  - Public engagement via media and social media





# Safety at Sea Framework

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### **MPA & Industry Collaboration**

# Instilling a strong safety culture

- Safety@Sea Week
- Forums & workshops
- National Maritime Safety at Sea Council
- Recognition for exemplary safety efforts

# **Enhanced** communications

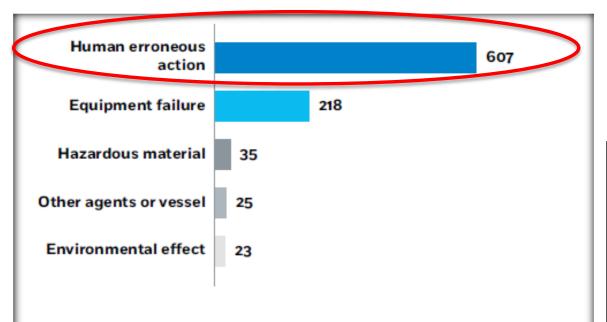
- Safety publications
- Briefing sessions
- Safety E-Bulletin

### Improving safe passage

- Near miss reporting
- Implementation of AIS-B and ECS on small craft
- MPA-Industry Safety Working Groups



# Human Element in Maritime Safety



An **ACCIDENTAL EVENT** is an event that is assessed to be inappropriate and significant in the sequence of events that led to the marine casualty or marine incident.

From a total of 908 accidental events analysed during the investigations 67% were attributed to a human erroneous action.

- EMSA found that 67% of marine incidents caused by human error
- Similar MPA studies also found the common thread of the human element in safety-related incidents

EMSA Annual Overview of Marine Casualties and Incidents 2015



# Update on Safety at Sea Initiatives





# Safe Passage in the Singapore Strait Video

- Initiative undertaken as follow-up to joint pamphlet "Safe Passage in the Straits of Malacca and Singapore" (SOMS)
- To promote safe navigation practices
- To provide navigators and educators insight to local environment and traffic conditions
- Videos available online and over 3,000 copies distributed to date









Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) • 5.2K views • 1 year ago

Navigating your vessel eastbound across the **Singapore Strait**? View this video for helpful tips and practices on **safe navigation**.





### Passenger Safety Video for Regional Ferries





- To provide common safety messaging
- Screened at terminals' departure halls to complement onboard safety video
- Provides information on safety practices and response during emergencies
- Light hearted and animated characters to engage adults and children
- Over voice in English and Bahasa Indonesia with subtitles in 4 official languages



### **Near-Miss Reporting**

Joint initiative by the MPA-SSA Safety of Navigation Working Group

Introduced via Port Marine Circular no. 4 of 2015

"No shame, no blame" to encourage reporting of near misses

Plays an important role in shared learning to reduce probability of similar errors



ANNEX A

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#### REPORT OF A NEAR-MISS

This is a voluntary, confidential reporting of marine near-misses. No information provided in this report will be used by MPA to commence litigation or prosecution.

SECTION I - PARTICULARS OF REPORTING SHIP			
Own Ship			
Name of Ship:		Flag:	
Gross Tonnage:			
SECTION II – INCIDENT DETAIL			
Occurrence (local):		Position: Lat-Long:	
Near-miss involved own ship: YES / NO			
Other Ship (if any)			
Name of Ship 1:			
Name of Ship 2:			
Weather conditions:			
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# Industry Engagement and Dialogue





# Safety@Sea Week 2017

- Held from 21 to 25 August 2017
- Aim:
  - To instil strong safety culture
  - To enhance communication and information sharing
  - Improving safe passage
- Programme consisted:
  - International Safety@Sea Conference
  - Inaugural Community of Practice Forum on maritime safety
  - Safety workshops
  - Industry visits to Port Operations Control Centre
  - Ferry Rescue Exercise Observer
     Programme







# Community of Practice Forum on Maritime Safety





- Collaborative platform to share knowledge and best practices on maritime safety
- Forum to distill and diffuse existing knowledge on maritime safety
- Shared ideas may be adapted by delegates and translated into solutions to suit location conditions
- Forum held at alternate years and addressing topical safety concerns



### Snapshot of CoP Forum

- 13 papers / presentations shared
- Attended by 15 maritime agencies/port authorities, 7 Classification Societies and 4 NGOs

### **Session Moderators:**

- Capt Ashok Mahapatra, Director, Maritime Safety Division, IMO
- Mr Lars Robert Pedersen, Dy Secretary General, BIMCO
- Prof Richard Lim, Chairman, National Maritime Safety At Sea Council

### Main topics shared:

- Sharing on ferry incidents and lessons learnt
- Sharing of best practices on ferry safety
- Working towards holistic changes in ferry safety







# Key Take-Aways For CoP Forum (on Ferry Safety)

- Need for low-cost transponder (AIS-type) for ferries and small craft, enabling authorities to track such vessels, especially in internal waters or remote sea areas
- Need for low-cost solutions to facilitate accurate passenger headcount and generation of an accurate passenger crew list prior to departure
- Need for a holistic approach towards ferry safety:
  - Stakeholder engagement
  - Peer review system
  - Review of maritime legislation
  - Incident and trend analysis
  - Policy and shipboard training





# **Industry Briefings and Workshops**

- Safety briefings conducted for maritime community
  - Harbour craft
  - Pleasure craft
  - Regional ferry operator
  - Bunker tanker operator
  - Marine project owners and contractors
- Workshops for identified sectors to address findings

from incident analysis

- Bunker barges
- Regional ferries
- Pleasure craft
- Ocean going vessels







### Safety E-Bulletin





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- Safety E-Bulletin to be launched in 1Q 2018
- Electronic platform to enhance outreach and sharing of lessons learnt and safety best practices
- Content:
  - Investigation reports of maritime incidents
  - Near misses
  - Updates on safety regulations and initiatives
  - Human interest stories
  - Safety technology



# Public Engagement

- Engagement via media and social media
  - Media invited to cover safety events
  - Stories of safety measures especially during festive holidays
  - Invited to inter-agency exercises
- Planned engagements
  - Targeted mini-campaigns for:
    - Arriving seafarers in port
    - Pleasure craft community
    - Sea sports centres
    - Safety exhibitions at terminals
    - Engagement via provision of free Wi-Fi and mobile charging stations













