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Mr. Choi Seong-yong has dedicated over 30 years of service to the Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries (MOF). He is currently assigned as Director General of Maritime Affairs and Safety Policy Bureau at the Ministry's Headquarters in Sejong.

He was appointed to the role of Director General of Maritime Affairs and Safety Policy Bureau in April 2024. He oversees four divisions: the Maritime Safety Policy Division, Maritime Industry and Technology Division, Maritime Safety Management Division, and Aids to Navigation Policy Division, along with the Advanced Maritime Transportation Service Team.

Before this, he held the position of a Director of the Maritime Safety Policy Division in 2021, the Marine Ecology Division in 2019 and the Maritime Safety Management Division in 2016. Additionally, he worked for the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in the UK from 2009 to 2012.

He was graduated from Korea Maritime and Ocean University with a bachelor's degree in nautical science and had the master's degree of maritime engineering in the same university and also the master's degree in marine policy from the University of Delaware, USA.

He is an experienced and excellent leader, who would bring broad-based and clear-sighted perspectives in maritime affairs and marine ecology to advance the work of IALA Council.