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Change of IALA Committee Working System

# Summary

The current IALA Committee working system is separated by each Conference year, i.e. 4-year term and the work of the Committees has to be stopped in the Conference year. However, the work of other international organizations such as IMO, ITU is continuously carried out and therefore the IALA can not be met their expectation that IALA has long outstanding contribution to their work such as the development of e-navigation and VDES. This paper proposes the change of IALA Committee working system.

## Purpose of the document

The purpose of this document is to propose a request to the Policy Advisory Panel and the Council to consider the change of IALA Committee Working System.

# DISCUSSION

The development of VDES that IALA originally developed its concept and now heavily involved in its development is now being carried out by ITU-R WP5B. IALA has greatly contributed to ITU-R WP5B for the development by submitting various papers. ITU-R WP5B will finalize the draft of CPM (Conference Preparatory Meeting) paper that will be necessary to decide the allocation of spectrums for VDES under Agenda Item 1.16 of WRC-15 at its May 2014 meeting. Therefore the continuous contribution of IALA is highly expected. However, IALA e-NAV Committee will not be held in March 2014, as its usual time, because of the Conference and thus IALA can not be met the expectation from maritime community.

Similarly the development of e-navigation Strategic Implementation Plan will be finished at NCSR 1 that will be held in July 2014. However IALA e-NAV Committee will not be held before the NCSR 1 by the above mentioned reason and therefore the contribution from IALA on this matter can not be done while IALA has long outstanding history of the contribution to e-navigation.

This matter may be able to solve by, for example, to hold the Committee meeting in early month, i.e. January or February, of the Conference year or to establish a special task group for continuous work, allowing them to submit a paper to IMO, ITU under the name of IALA subject to the e-mail approval by Council.

The change of technology, especially Information and Communication Technology (ICT) that is a key technology to forward the e-navigation and maritime communication is increasing its speed and therefore the half-year interval of the Committee meeting may be necessary to maintain in order to meet the change of technology.

# PROPOSAL

To request the Policy Advisory Panel and the Council to consider the matter and to change the Committee Meeting System, if necessary, in order to meet the expectation from world maritime society to IALA and to continuously contribute to the society.

# Action requested of the Committee

The e-NAV Committee is invited to consider the proposal and decide as appropriate.