



## **DRAFT LETTER TO NATIONAL MEMBERS:**

### **IALA will soon become an Intergovernmental Organization.**

Dear Member, XXXXX

As you are probably aware, the change of status of IALA to an Intergovernmental Organization (IGO) is now entering the final phase. The *Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation* will enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

At the date of this letter [five States] have completed this formal process. We do not know when the required number will be reached, but we are preparing for transition to the new Organization so that IALA's vital work continues without interruption.

### **Transition arrangements**

A General Assembly must be held within six months of when the IGO is created. Until that time the current IALA structures, rules, contributions and arrangements will continue to apply with minor modifications. The General Assembly will approve its own Regulations, which we expect to be modelled significantly on those currently in place.

However, in accordance with the annex to the Convention, the relevant Transition arrangements for your organization to remain a part of IALA are as follows:

[5] All National Members of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities from States that are not Member States shall, subject to their formal request, become Associate Members of the Organization for a duration of up to ten years from the date of entry into force of this Convention, unless the General Assembly decides to extend that period.

For current national members from countries that have not yet formalized arrangements to become signatories to the Convention, this means that you can still participate in IALA with the new status of Associate member for up to ten years. You cannot be elected to Council but can participate in all other aspects of IALA's activities, and we look forward to your continued contribution.

The text of the Convention, which outlines membership rights and obligations, and more information can be found on the web site <https://www.iala-aism.org/the-igo-project/>



## Next Steps

To ensure that XXX (organization) becomes an Associate member of the new IALA with no interruption to its rights once the new Convention has entered into force, I invite you to fill out and return the attached membership transfer form to the Secretariat at [contact@iala-aism.org](mailto:contact@iala-aism.org). at your earliest convenience.

IALA will be proud to continue its cooperation with your organization under its new status.

Should you have any questions you are always welcome to contact me or the Secretariat on [secgen@iala-aism.org](mailto:secgen@iala-aism.org).

Sincerely yours,

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## **DRAFT LETTER TO INDUSTRIAL AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:**

### **IALA will soon become an Intergovernmental Organization.**

Dear Member, XXXXX

As you are probably aware, the change of status of IALA to an Intergovernmental Organization (IGO) is now entering the final phase. The Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation will enter into force on the ninetieth day after the date of deposit of the thirtieth instrument of ratification, acceptance, approval or accession.

At the date of this letter [five] States have completed this formal process. We do not know when the required number will be reached, but we are preparing for transition to the new Organization so that IALA's vital work continues without interruption.

### **Transition arrangements**

A General Assembly must be held within six months after the IGO is created. During that period the current IALA structures, rules, contributions and arrangements will apply with minor modifications. The General Assembly will approve its own Regulations, which we expect to be modelled significantly on those currently in place.

However, in accordance with the annex to the Convention, the relevant Transition arrangements for your organization to remain a part of IALA from its commencement are as follows:

[7] All Associate and Industrial Members of the International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities up to date with their fees shall, subject to their formal request, become Affiliate Members of the Organization.

This means that current Industrial members and Associate members can still participate in IALA with the new status of Affiliate member, so the transition will basically just mean a change of membership name, and we look forward to your continued contribution.

The text of the Convention, which outlines membership rights and obligations, and more information can be found on the web site <https://www.iala-aism.org/the-igo-project/>.



## Next steps

To ensure that XXX (organization) becomes an Affiliate member of the new IALA (with no interruption to its rights) I invite you to fill out and return the attached membership transfer form to the Secretariat at [contact@iala-aism.org](mailto:contact@iala-aism.org) at your earliest convenience.

IALA will be then be proud to continue its cooperation with your organization under its new status.

Should you have any questions you are always welcome to contact me or the Secretariat on [secgen@iala-asim.org](mailto:secgen@iala-asim.org).

Sincerely yours,  
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## MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORM / *FORMULAIRE DE TRANSFERT D'ADHESION*

From the International Association for Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities to the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation/ *De l'Association Internationale de Signalisation Maritime à l'Organisation internationale pour les aides à la navigation maritime*

Organisation or Company / *Organisation ou société* : Sabik Oy.....

Representative's Name / *Nom* : .....

Position / *Fonction* : .....

Date of Membership/ *Date d'Adhésion* ...1<sup>st</sup> July 1992.....

Membership Reference / *Référence de membre* .....4FINL01.....

Address / *Adresse*: .....

Country / *Pays*: .....

Telephone:..... Fax : .....

e-mail:.....

I hereby request that membership be transferred/ *Par la présente, je demande le transfert de mon adhesion*

From / *De*

To / *A*

Current Category <i>Catégorie actuelle</i>	New Category <i>Nouvelle catégorie</i>	Description	Select <i>Cochez</i>
National Member <i>Membre national</i>	Associate Member <i>Membre Associé</i>	Authority legally responsible for the provision of marine aids to navigation in its country/ <i>Autorité légalement responsable de la fourniture des aides à la navigation</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Industrial Member <i>Membre industriel</i>	Affiliate Member <i>Membre Affilié</i>	Manufacturer, distributor or consultant in aids to navigation/ <i>Fabricant, distributeurs d'aides à la navigation ou ingénieur conseil</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Associate Member <i>Membre associé</i>	Affiliate Member <i>Membre Affilié</i>	Port, scientific organization or service responsible for aids to navigation in a specific area/ <i>Port, organisation scientifique ou service responsable d'aides à la navigation au niveau régional</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This change will take effect when the Convention on the International Organization for Marine Aids to Navigation enters into force/ *Ce changement prendra effet lors de l'entrée en force de la Convention portant création de l'Organisation internationale pour les aides à la navigation maritime.*



**COMMITMENT IN ACCEPTING MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEW ORGANIZATION/ *ENGAGEMENT EN DEVENANT MEMBRE DE LA NOUVELLE ORGANIZATION***

I/my organization hereby commit to/ *je m'engage à:*

Paying the annual contribution by 31 January each year / *Régler la contribution annuelle avant le 31 janvier de chaque année*

Continuing to support the activities of the organization / *Continuer de soutenir les activités de l'organisation*

Informing IALA of its/my intention to cease membership by letter to the Secretary General by 31st December of the year before the resignation takes effect/*Informer l'AIASM de mon désir de démissionner par lettre adressée au Secrétaire général avant le 31 décembre de l'année précédant la prise d'effet de ma démission*

**Date..... Signature.....**