



**Mediterranean
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PROGRAMME

IMO REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SHIPS' BALLAST WATER AND SEDIMENTS, 2004 (BWM CONVENTION)

Kappara, Malta, 20-21 March 2023

Day One	Monday, 20 March 2023	
08:30-09:00	Arrival and registration of participants	
09:00-09:45	Workshop opening and introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome remarks • Brief introduction of participants and BWM status in the countries of the region 	IMO and REMPEC representatives All facilitators and participants
09:45-10:00	Module 1: Introduction to the International Maritime Organization and the ITCP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to IMO • IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme 	Dr M. Jensen (IMO)
10:00-11:00	Module 2: Introduction to invasive aquatic species and ballast water management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to invasive aquatic species • Introduction to ballast water management and the BWM Convention 	Dr M. Jensen (IMO)
11:00-11:30	<i>Tea/coffee break and group photograph</i>	
11:30-13:00	Module 3: Ballast Water Management Convention and Guidelines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BWM Convention background, objectives, and structure • Articles of the Convention • Technical provisions • BWM Convention annex and resolutions • Common options for compliance with the BWM Convention 	Dr T. Karayannis (IMO)
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30-15:00	Module 3 Exercise I	All facilitators and participants
15:00-15:30	Module 3 Exercise II	All facilitators and participants
15:30-16:00	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
16:00-17:00	Module 4: Obligations of Parties under the BWM Convention <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rights and obligations of flag, port and coastal States • BWM survey and certification requirements • Additional measures, sediment and water reception facilities, and communication of information 	Dr T. Karayannis (IMO)
17:00-17:15	Recap of Day 1	All facilitators
<i>End of day one</i>		

Day Two	Tuesday, 21 March 2023	
09:00-10:00	Module 5: Compliance monitoring and enforcement for port State control <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port State compliance monitoring and enforcement systems • Port State control inspections under the BWM Convention • Enforcement options, contingency measures and ballast water sampling 	Dr T. Karayannis (IMO)
10:00-10:30	Module 5 Exercise I	All facilitators and participants
10:30-11:00	Module 5 Exercise II	All facilitators and participants
11:00-11:30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
11:30-13:00	Role-play exercise <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exercise • Discussion • Q&A 	All facilitators and participants
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
14:30-15:15	Module 6: Risk management and ballast water management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing hazards, exposure, vulnerability and risk • Risk mitigation • Risk management and the BWM Convention 	Dr M. Jensen (IMO)
15:15-16:00	Module 7: Risk assessments for exemptions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exceptions and exemptions under the BWM Convention • Risk-based exemptions and same risk area principle • Role of port biological baseline surveys (PBBS) 	Dr M. Jensen (IMO)
16:00-16:30	<i>Tea/coffee break</i>	
16:30-17:00	Concluding discussions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion • Q&A 	All facilitators and participants
17:00-17:30	Workshop closure and certificates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing remarks • Presentation of certificates 	IMO and REMPEC representatives
<i>End of Workshop</i>		