

APHoMSA Strategy 2020-2024

Our Vision

To promote safe, secure shipping and a clean maritime environment within the Asia-Pacific region

Four Pillars of APHoMSA	Regional Cooperation	Protecting the Marine Environment	Safety at Sea, including Seafarer Welfare	Maritime Incident Response
Our Goals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase regional cooperation on maritime issues • Provide a regional voice on matters of mutual interest at the relevant international and regional organizations • Develop a coordinated approach to technical cooperation activities • Implement a coordinated approach towards achieving SDG5 Gender Equality in the maritime sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen regional marine environment protection arrangements • Build regional marine pollution prevention capabilities (implementation and enforcement) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve safety of shipping • Ensure seafarers' living and working conditions meet international standards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen regional cooperation for emergency response, including SAR and preparedness and response to marine pollution • Encourage members to fully implement IMO liability and compensation Conventions for marine pollution incidents

Our Approaches

Identify capacity building opportunities by:

- Maintaining a consolidated list of technical cooperation activities planned by Member States and Observer organizations to
 - Inform Member States of capacity building opportunities in the region
 - Assist agencies and organisations delivering capacity building activities to identify partner agencies to support existing regional activities
- Identifying and sharing regional expertise

Build capacity of member states and enhance collaboration of national authorities in responding to:

- Future maritime trends by ensuring coordination and active participation in developing new technologies and implementing test-beds and full scale projects
- Maritime incidents through collaborative programmes, for example joint exercise, sharing of best practices and expertise

Provide a regular forum to:

- Exchange information on emerging regional trends and potential risks
- Share information on new technologies and how they can be used to promote safe, secure shipping and a clean maritime environment
- Foster person-to-person links between maritime agencies in the Asia-Pacific region

Encourage intersessional engagement by:

- Developing agreements among national authorities and regional organisations
- Establishing correspondence groups to explore solutions to key issues and report to Members

Establish links with other relevant international and regional organisations by:

- Maintaining APHoMSA's standing invitations to specialist maritime organisations as observers at APHoMSA forums
- Meeting annually and undertaking intersessional work as required
- Submitting papers to the IMO and other fora
- Sharing information/expertise with these organisations, as required