



Annotation to Agenda 4.1AMSA I(A) – Linking with International Organizations

Agenda 4.1 (b) Proposal on Arctic Council Partnership in an International Conference on Safe and Sustainable Shipping in a Changing Arctic Environment.

AMSA Recommendation I(A) provides:

“That the Arctic states decide to, on a case by case basis, identify areas of common interest and develop unified positions and approaches with respect to international organizations...to advance the safety of Arctic marine shipping; and encourage meetings, as appropriate, of member states national maritime safety organizations to coordinate, harmonize and enhance the implementation of the Arctic maritime regulatory framework.”

Pursuant to this Recommendation, the World Maritime University (WMU) and the International Maritime Organization (IMO) are seeking partnering with PAME in the organization and conduct of an international conference on Safe and Sustainable Shipping in a Changing Arctic Environment – “ShipArc 2014” to be convened in Malmö, Sweden in August, 2014.

PAME participants are asked to come prepared to discuss this proposal of partnering and decide if to accept such a proposal or not. In the case PAME decides to accept this proposal then it is important to decide in what capacity such a partnering would best suite PAMEs agenda. Details on such partnering should be discussed in further details within the AMSA breakout session (Tuesday 24th of Sep from 14:00-17:00) and a proposal on a way forward to be tabled in plenary for decision by PAME. Below are some suggestions on involvement in an effort to aid in the discussion:

- ✓ Clarify with the WMU that such a partnering, if accepted, would be at the PAME Working Group level, not the Arctic Council level, as reflected in their letter from July 4, 2013.
- ✓ Contribute to the team of conference organizers through the PAME Secretariat and 2-3 persons from the shipping expert group (e.g. one representative from Canada, USA and Norway).
- ✓ Assist in outreach to relevant key representatives and speakers as relevant.
- ✓ Review the proposed agenda and suggest changes, if applicable with the aim to include “PAMEs” view on a particular shipping topic (by PAME shipping expert and/or PAME Chair).

Action by PAME II-2013

To include in the PAME II-2013 RoD under this agenda item:

- ✓ Decision on whether or not to accept the offer to partner. If the decision is to partner then agree to a framework of such partnering.