

IMO Global Maritime Security

INTEGRATED TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROGRAMME

Capacity Building

SECURITY NEEDS ASSESSMENTS

The aim of an IMO security needs assessments is to assist Member States in identifying specific needs related to the implementation of relevant requirements set out in SOLAS chapter XI-2 and the ISPS Code (policy/governance/operational/physical security level) and the prevailing gaps related to national organization, legislation and physical security and operational aspects aiming at enhancing maritime security on a long-term and sustained basis.

The assessment can include visits to port facilities with reviews of their port facility security plans, the port security regime, inspecting the physical security in place, interviews with the Head of the Designated Authority, the Administration and other staff responsible for maritime security. ■

MARITIME SECURITY STRATEGIES

IMO can assist the Designated Authority and other departments and agencies in developing a national maritime security strategy that articulates a government's approach to delivering maritime security, setting out how it organizes and uses its national capabilities to identify, assess and address maritime security challenges.

Maritime security is a cross-government activity, and the purpose of a strategy is to analyze the maritime environment; reflect maritime security interests, threats and vulnerabilities; define the roles and responsibilities of the various players; describe the legislative framework; provide a vision for the future; and devise a plan of action for how to get there. ■

ASSIGNED EXPERT ADVICE

Provision of IMO experts to work in close collaboration with the Designated Authority and other departments and agencies to assist Member States in various areas such as:

- development of a country's capabilities to implement and enforce maritime security legislation and related policy and procedures;
- establishment of maritime security/port security committees with Terms of Reference; and
- assistance with port facility security assessments and plans. ■



MARITIME TABLE TOP EXERCISES

The table top exercise is intended to stimulate discussions and demonstrate the need for co-operation amongst government departments and agencies for enhanced maritime security responses.

The exercises present a series of possible scenarios that are deliberately varied, ranging from concerns that are easy for a single official to solve, through to others that may demand more involvement from several departments, and require difficult compromises if a solution is to be found. Scenarios could include threats to cruise ships, border security issues, incidents potentially involving weapons of mass destruction, and a range of other situations. The aim of these scenarios is to use their varied complexity to enable an appropriate senior national committee to develop its decision-making abilities, from basic challenges to complex multi-agency involvement. Each exercise is intended to shine a light on current contingency planning and inter-agency co-operation to identify best practices, as well as possible gaps and mitigation strategies. The generic results of the exercise will inform the development of improved contingency planning. ■

TRAINING COURSES

The Global Maritime Security ITCP has various standard training courses available to interested Member States that can be tailored to meet individual requirements. All courses can be delivered utilizing a train-the-trainer approach.

Maritime Security Measures governance and oversight for DAs and Administrations

To familiarize government officials with the contents of IMO's Guide to Maritime Security and the ISPS Code, and to assist officials exercising port facility security responsibilities related to the Code in identifying and applying relevant material in the Guide.

Areas covered include: verifying compliance of ships with the Code; identifying a Designated Authority to undertake duties related to port facilities; determining which security duties may be delegated to authorized RSOs; establishing the requirements for a DOS; issuing ISSCs, Interim ISSCs and Statements of Compliance for Port Facilities; exercising control and compliance measures; and communicating information to IMO. ■

ISPS Code for Designated Authority and/or PFSOs

Designed with IMO Model Course 3.21 on Port Facility Security Officer (PFSO) as a basis, the ISPS Code workshop for the Designated Authority and PFSOs seeks to enhance participants' ability to effectively perform their duties in accordance with the relevant provisions of IMO's maritime security measures, including SOLAS Chapter XI-2, the ISPS Code, the IMO/ILO Code of Practice on Security in Ports, and related guidance.

Participants will improve their knowledge and skills vis-à-vis the requirements for PFSO and DA officials to perform duties in accordance with relevant provisions of SOLAS, and as defined in section A/17.2 of the Code.

For DA participants, the workshop will provide a solid grounding on oversight roles and responsibilities. ■

ISPS Code Self-Assessment and Training Workshop (SATW) – port/port facility security

This workshop is designed to strengthen the technical capability of Designated Authority officials, port security officials and managers, with respect to enhancing maritime security by conducting effective Self-Assessments and Audits, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the ISPS Code and relevant IMO guidance, such as MSC.1/Circ.1192 on Guidance on Voluntary Self-Assessment by SOLAS Contracting Governments and by Port Facilities, utilized to conduct internal audits and to verify that Port Facility Security Plans and associated measures are implemented effectively. The workshop includes practical exercises, role playing and a visit to a port facility if possible.

Those who successfully complete this workshop will have assisted in the implementation of the training provisions outlined under ISPS Code B/18.1.17 on the

duties and responsibilities of an internal auditor for port facilities. ■

ISPS Code Training for Port Facility Security Personnel with designated security duties

To improve the knowledge and skills of participants vis-à-vis the requirements for Personnel with Designated Security Duties and representatives of the DA to undertake their respective responsibilities in accordance with the relevant provisions of SOLAS chapter XI-2, the ISPS Code and related guidance; while also benefiting from IMO's Train the Trainer programme, which enables them to conduct similar courses on the subject as trainers. IMO Model Course 3.24 on Security Training for Port Facility Personnel with Designated Security Duties is used as a basis for the training modules. ■

Advanced Drills and Exercise Workshop (ADEW) – port/port facility security

These workshops, which can be delivered at the national or regional level, are designed to strengthen the technical capability of Designated Authority and port security officials and managers with respect to enhancing maritime security through the process of conducting drills and exercises in accordance with the ISPS Code and the relevant MSC Circulars by using the APEC Drills and Exercises Manual.

Further, participants are expected to be able to review the pre-planned APEC Manual sample exercises in order to modify them to meet their own needs in the planning and conducting of drills and exercises. ■

Risk Assessment

This workshop is designed to assist participants in undertaking risk assessments related to port facility and port security. The workshop introduces the concept of risk assessment, and provides an overview of the various phases of good risk assessment, including pre-assessment, threat assessment, impact assessment, risk scoring, and risk management.

Participants will learn about process mapping, inventory development, methodology selection, and how to create an action plan for ongoing risk management. ■

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