



Circular Letter 12/2021

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Subject: 14th IALA Symposium

To: All IALA members

Dear Members,

The Netherlands Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management together with IALA and the City of Rotterdam are hosting the 14th IALA Symposium between the 12 and 16 April 2021. Registration is now open on the dedicated Symposium web site.

The theme for the Symposium is *Enhanced Maritime Safety and Efficiency by Connectivity*.

The Symposium will provide a unique online meeting space offering excellent opportunities for networking during an interactive five day programme that will be broadcast live from Rotterdam. There will be excellent possibilities for international experts to discuss the challenges ahead and to contribute to solutions that will benefit the global maritime community.

The Symposium opens on Monday 12 April with a plenary session featuring international high-level speakers and experts followed by 13 themed sessions over the following days. During the Symposium, the new edition of the VTS Manual will be introduced and a Digital@Sea webinar is scheduled as a side event. The IALA World-Wide Academy will also host a side event consisting of a workshop related to the ongoing review of VTS operator training.

We are counting on your support and collaboration to make the Symposium a success and encourage you to register without delay through this link: <https://iala-rotterdam2021.nl/registration/>

Yours sincerely,

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Secretary-General