

Circular Letter 2023/12

7 August 2023

## Subject: Second half 2023 committee arrangements

To: Members and Sister Organizations

Dear Members,

IALA is ready to welcome you once again to our Headquarters for the committee season.

On this occasion, as we are at the start of the new work programme, the committees will have a physical opening plenary as part of the week at HQ, and please note that all of the committees will commence on Monday morning. The full details will be available in a programme of the week for each committee that will be published soon. All closing plenaries will be held online the week after the physical weeks in order to provide an extended approval period to ensure the quality of the documents submitted to the Council.

The following dates for each committee have been agreed as follows:

Session	Deadline input paper	Physical week (Monday to Friday at IALA HQ)	Online Closing Plenary	Notes
VTS54	18 Aug 2023	18 – 22 Sep 2023	27 Sep 2023 10:00 - 12:00 UTC	Opening Plenary part of the physical week on 18 Sept.
DTec1	25 Aug 2023	25 – 29 Sep 2023	5 Oct 2023 11:00 - 12:00 UTC	Opening Plenary part of the physical week on 25 Sept.
LAP25	11 Sept 2023	11 – 12 Oct 23 (Wednesday and Thursday)	N/A	N/A
ENG17	15 Sept 2023	16 – 20 Oct 2023	26 Oct 2023 10:00 - 11:00 UTC	Opening Plenary part of the physical week on 16 Oct.
ARM16	25 Sept 2023	23 – 27 Oct 2023	1 Nov 2023 14:00 - 16:00 UTC	Opening Plenary part of the physical week 23 Oct.

Please also note that France will host the Rugby World Cup 2023 in September and October and matches will take place in Paris. The city, flights and accommodation will therefore be very busy and prices may increase, we therefore urge all participants to book as early as possible.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us by e-mailing <u>contact@iala-aism.org</u>

The IALA Secretariat is very excited to see you all again in person following the successful Conference and General Assembly in Brazil.

Yours sincerely,

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