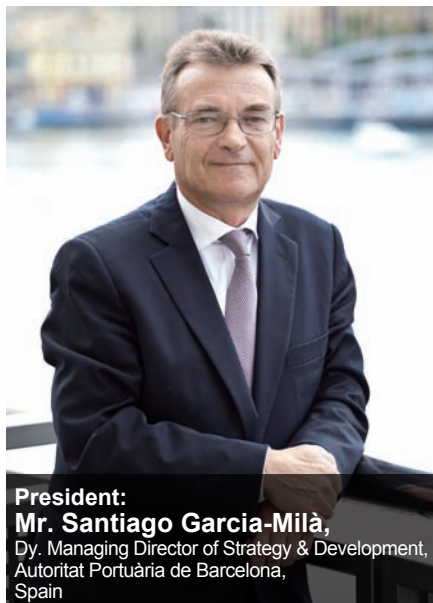


## The International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH)



**President:**  
**Mr. Santiago Garcia-Milà,**  
Dy. Managing Director of Strategy & Development,  
Autoritat Portuària de Barcelona,  
Spain



### What is IAPH?

The International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) was founded in November 1955. Today, IAPH has grown into a global alliance of the world port community, representing some 180 ports and 140 port-related organizations of about 90 countries worldwide. The member ports together handle over 60% of the world's sea-borne trade cargo and nearly 70% of global container traffic. It is a non-profit making and non-governmental organization headquartered in Tokyo, Japan.

### What we do?

As our vision and mission statements clearly show, we strive to be the Global Ports' Forum for Industry Collaboration and Excellence. To that end, we make efforts to promote the interest of ports worldwide through strong member relationships, collaboration and information-sharing that help resolve common issues, advance sustainable practices and continually improve how ports serve the maritime industries.

### Conferences

More specifically, IAPH meets every two years in odd-numbered years at its IAPH World Ports Conference, the largest gathering of the world port community, which is often referred to as the

world port summit. The last IAPH World Ports Conference was held in Hamburg, Germany, June 2015, attracting nearly 1,000 participants from across the world. It provided an excellent stage for us to debate where the port industry will be heading in the near future, covering such topics as megaships and their impacts, trends of global economy, global port competition, clean port air solutions, cruises, etc.

We will next meet in Bali, Indonesia, May 7-12, 2017, at the 30th IAPH World Ports Conference, where we will address such stimulating topics as "Greenfield Port Project: Challenges and Opportunities", "Port Hinterland Connectivity and Multimodal Logistics", "Evolution of Global Shipping Industry & Shipping Routes", "Effects of Special Economic Zone and Port Growth" and "Indonesia Maritime Transformation". We expect nearly 1,000 participants will attend this big event from across the world for sharing best practices on port management and operations.

Between the IAPH World Ports Conferences, the IAPH Mid-term Conference is held in even-numbered years to discuss common issues externally and household matters internally. In May 2016, we met in Panama City, Panama,

for the IAPH Mid-term Conference to discuss various issues, including the expanded Panama Canal and its implications to the world maritime trade. The ensuing conference sessions turned out to be an excellent forum to learn more about the Panama Canal expansion program and the latest trends in port management and operations, not only in Panama but also in Colombia and Mexico. For the next Mid-term Conference, we will meet in Baku, Azerbaijan in 2018.

### Technical Committees

More on a routine basis, we proactively address critical issues and challenges facing the port industry through its technical committees that are regarded as the backbone of IAPH. Currently, there are nine technical committees:

- Communication and Community Relations Committee
- Port Finance and Economics Committee
- Cruise Committee
- Port Safety and Security Committee
- Port Environment Committee
- Legal Committee
- Port Planning and Development Committee
- Port Operations and Logistics Committee
- Trade Facilitation and Port Community Systems Committee



Conference in Hamburg, 2015

### Cooperation with UN agencies

They play such a critical role in studying topical issues, identifying their implications to the port industry and recommending possible policies and measures for the benefit of the entire membership. In so doing, we often cooperate with other industry stakeholders such as the International Maritime Organization (IMO), United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and other international organizations in tackling common issues such as global warming, port workers' safety and security, etc.

In recognition of our longstanding contribution to their efforts and works, IAPH is granted special status as a non-governmental organization (NGO) by IMO, UNCTAD, the United Nations Center for Trade Facilitation and Electronic Business (UNCEFACT), United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), World Customs Organization (WCO), International Labour Office (ILO) and Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). It is testimony to the fact that IAPH is truly the only international organization representing the voice of the world port industry, which more critically enables us to attend their meetings, speak for ports and harbors in the world, and finally protect the interests of the port industry.

### World Ports Climate Initiative (WPCI)

Let me now give you some concrete examples of issues we have focused on in recent years.

IAPH is committed to the protection of the environment, as it is an indispensable factor in sustainable economic growth. IAPH has addressed and tackled a wide range of environmental issues, including the handling of hazardous and noxious substances in a port, prevention of air, water and soil pollution in ports, treatment of harmful aquatic organisms in ballast water, etc., as they affect ports and their neighborhoods.

As the protection of the environment cannot be effectively achieved without an active participation of all those having a shared interest, IAPH has strived to support and promote international cooperation programs in addressing and tackling a number of environmental issues at an international level.

More than 60 world ports have become united in initiating their fight for the reduction of greenhouse gases (GHGs) under the World Ports Climate Initiative (WPCI), launched in November 2008. Four projects are already finalized regarding carbon footprint management, onshore power supply, environmental ship index, and tool box for port clean air programs, while four projects are still in progress regarding LNG-fueled vessels, clean cargo handling equipment, lease agreement template and intermodal transport.

### IAPH Women's Forum

In an effort to advance and empower women in the maritime industry, we established the IAPH Women's Forum in 2012 as a platform for discussing women's issues in the maritime industry, ways to encourage women to join the industry and to promote training programs enabling women to better compete for positions at all levels, including those previously not open to them.

The Forum is open to any women, both IAPH members and non-IAPH members, who are interested in networking, examining best practices, solving professional challenges and working together towards reaching the goals of this Forum. Needless to say, the Forum is only led by women.

### IAPH Awards

Over the past three decades, IAPH has offered assistance to the needs of its member ports in developing countries in the context of international port development cooperation. Started in 1975, the IAPH Training Scholarship Program has enabled more than 100 people from IAPH developing member ports to receive advanced port training programs overseas.

Similarly, the IAPH Essay Contest, started in 1978, has encouraged personnel employed at our member ports in developing countries to look into port efficiency and productivity for the benefit of their own ports. This biennial award contest is known as the Akiyama Award named after the late Mr. Toru Akiyama, one of the founding fathers of IAPH.

In addition to human resources development, the IAPH Information Technology (IT) Award has, since 1994, been presented biennially to demonstrate its commitment and leadership in promoting the use of IT in ports, by organizing a biennial contest for the membership to compete for excellence in IT application in a port. Furthermore, since 2013, two new award categories, "Communications" and "Environment" have been added to the award program, allowing IAPH member ports to compete for excellence respectively in public relations/corporate communications and in environmental management, protection or sustainability.

### Conclusion

As explained above, I am confident that IAPH will further strengthen the voice of world ports and contribute to the healthy and sound development of the world maritime community.



Delegates at Panama Canal, May 2016



# No Matter How Distant We Are...

The Sixth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD VI) was held in Nairobi, Kenya on August 27-28, and Dr. Yohei Sasakawa, Chairman of The Nippon Foundation, visited on this occasion. It was unbelievable that nine Kenyan Sasakawa Fellows out of ten traveled 600km one way from Mombasa to see him. The following are words of appreciation from each Fellow to Dr. Sasakawa during the meeting:

## **Musa Hassan Musa (2000)**

At the World Maritime University we gained the requisite knowledge to form a formidable group of experts who are able to guide our maritime sector in line with emerging maritime issues of our world. Currently, we have two actively involved in policy development under the Kenya Maritime Authority (the regulatory arm of the government), while the rest are involved in economic activities in and around the Port of Mombasa. This has inspired us to go out of our way to affect not only the maritime industry but also the lives of many, for whom we can be instruments of change through charity works. This is among the many virtues that we learnt and have inherited from you, Sir.

## **Stephen Mwamure Toya (2002)**

I was at the point of giving up and being just an Assistant Marine Engineer at the Kenya Ports Authority (KPA) when I got the prestigious Sasakawa Scholarship for the WMU Master Program 2001/2002. This was a game changer in my career, and it has resulted in a total transformation in my approach towards life and humanity. I am now the Principal Marine Engineer (D) in charge of ship-repairs, and am involved in ship survey, pollution control, the resource person at Bandari College, and research and development of technical specifications of marine equipment to be purchased by KPA.

## **Samwel Kipkosgei Kiptoo (2003)**

I was appointed as a change agent arising from the expected changes in the implementation of systems for Conventional Cargo and the Security Department, and I carried out the sensitization of staff with zeal. They were able to accept the subsequent changes, and currently I have been placed on the Change Management committee. Today service delivery has improved drastically as a result of the rollout of the cargo management system, and revenue collection has continued to increase. This success is attributed to combinations of minds nourished by the training acquired from generous sponsors at The Nippon Foundation and others.

## **Elsie Nyabonyi Bikondo (2012)**

Since my graduation from WMU in 2012, I have been performing higher duties of Principal



HR Officer in charge of organizational performance and change management. I am also involved in policy development, training facilitation, monitoring and evaluation of organizational performance, offering advice on maritime education and organizational transformation among others. I wish to highlight that the Kenya Ports Authority has made great strides in port expansion. For instance, construction of phase one of the second container terminal has recently been concluded, and plans are underway for its commissioning in September 2016 by his Excellency, President Uhuru Kenyatta.

## **Fiona Syovata Mbandi (2013)**

Upon graduation with a MSc Maritime Affairs degree in 2013, I got promoted to Senior Human Resource Officer. I specifically organize activities for different teams by training, by communication and other interventions that facilitate adapting, controlling and affecting change in the organization by adopting the balanced scorecard framework and culture change to high performing teams. I also train staff in maritime courses in port productivity at Bandari college. I am the Vice Chairperson for the Association of Women in the Maritime Sector, East and South Africa-(WOMESA) Kenya Chapter, for a two-year term. Our main objective is to empower women managers to aspire to higher maritime managerial positions, and our community project is mentoring girls in secondary school to appreciate the maritime industry.

## **Revy MATI Malikanzi (2014)**

I am currently working as a Safety Officer at the Kenya Ports Authority. This is a middle management position, covering the investigation of incidents/accidents within the port.

- Safety Inspection of work places
- Training of employees, contractors/port users to enhance safety
- Risk assessments in Health & Safety
- Enforcement of safe working systems to comply with HSE rules and regulations.

In addition, I lecture on a part-time basis at universities and colleges located in the port city of Mombasa. My areas of interest are marine insurance, maritime safety and security, and maritime education and training. Some of the

lectures are on a pro bono basis, as I feel obligated to make an impact in the industry. This is my small way of saying thank you to Dr. Sasakawa for investing in me.

## **Julius Matusia Okindo (2014)**

At the time of joining WMU, I was working at the Legal Department as a Legal Assistant. Upon my return to Kenya, I was reassigned to the RMRCC as an Administrative Assistant. In June, 2016, my services were transferred to Lamu County in the same capacity. Besides providing administrative services, I also represent the Branch Inspector of the Border Management Committee. The Committee is mandated to provide coordination of border operations at points of entry and to advise on emerging trends and possible solutions to border challenges among other terms of reference.

## **Juma Ahmed Ali (2015)**

I wish to thank you for sponsoring my Masters Programme at the World Maritime University; truly the exposure and the skills we gained have broadened our understanding of the maritime industry, and we are now joining other experts in building our maritime sector. Kindly let me echo some of your words during our visit to Japan in 2015, when you said that what we will obtain from WMU is not just a Masters, but a global network of friends and experts in the maritime sector, which is very valuable. After graduating, we now have friends - or let me call them a pool of experts - across the world who we can share information and collaborate with in resolving a number of issues affecting the maritime sector.

## **Said Mata Khamis (2015)**

Prior to joining WMU, my main goal was to gain knowledge on global maritime developments. The program surpassed my expectations. WMU was able to equip me with a practical application of best practices in the maritime industry and in my core professional role as an internal auditor and a certified public accountant. Upon returning from WMU, my roles and responsibilities at the Kenya Ports Authority have been expanded. This could not have been possible without the unconditional support given to me by The Nippon Foundation.

## Pakistan Maritime Training Complex

Muhammad Ashraf Zafar (Pakistan, 1994)

**Historical Background:** Seaman Training Centre (STC): Originally established in 1960 at the Asiatic Club Keamari, Karachi, its function was pre-sea training of different categories of seafarer ratings to serve on national and foreign flag ships. It was moved to the Old Carlton Hotel near Cantonment Railway Station Karachi. Later on, it was moved again to the Haji Camp barracks. Thus, STC was working under makeshift conditions in different locations.

**Mercantile Marine Academy:** It was established in 1963, under the Colombo Plan, at Chittagong, Bangladesh (formerly East Pakistan). It was then named Jaldia Mercantile Marine Academy Chittagong, and its function was to induct boys with intermediate pre-engineering academic qualifications, and train them as pre-sea cadets for two years in the Nautical and Engineering Branches. With the creation of Bangladesh, this Academy was lost. Consequently, it was temporarily set up in Haji Camp barracks Karachi in 1972 and renamed the Pakistan Maritime Academy (PMA) Karachi.

**Pakistan Maritime Training Complex (PMT):** Both STC and PMA continued functioning in Haji Camp but lacked proper training facilities. Therefore, a permanent campus spread over 139 acres with all the training facilities was established at Mauripure

Karachi. It was completed in 1978 and named the Pakistan Maritime Training Complex. Eventually, STC and PMA were shifted from Haji Camp to the present location, to share and make optimum use of all the facilities at PMTC.

It is subordinate to the Directorate General Ports & Shipping (DGPS) Wing, Ministry of Communications. As per DGPS Circular No. 5 (1) /77-PC(STC) dated April 3, 1978, and commandant office order No. 1 dated December 6, 1978, PMTC was established as a permanent campus to house four training institutions:

- I. Pakistan Marine Academy (functioning)
- II. Seamen Training Centre (functioning)
- III. Marine College Nautical Wing (proposed)
- IV. Marine College Engineering Wing (proposed)

Training facilities include a waterfront jetty, instructional, administration and residential blocks, engineering workshop, dispensary, simulator buildings, computer lab, STC buildings, swimming pool, tennis court, playgrounds, parade ground and residential bungalows for officers and staff. The PMA Model School functions as a high school.

In 1986, PMA was affiliated with Karachi University and started awarding degrees of B.Sc. Maritime Studies in Marine Engineering and Nautical Sciences.

In 1997, STC and its budget were merged with PMA and renamed the Seaman Training



Wing (STW). Now it functions as part of PMA.

In 2012, NED University of Engineering and Technology became affiliated with the Pakistan Marine Academy. As per the revised regulations of the Higher Education Commission (HEC) Pakistan, the two-year B.Sc. degree program was replaced by a two-year Associate Degree program (Equivalent to a Higher National Diploma). Henceforth, NED University of Engineering and Technology has been approved to award this associate degree in Ship Management or Marine Engineering to the Academy's Nautical and Engineering cadets respectively, upon the successful completion of the two-year course.

The following Pre-sea courses are conducted by the academy:

1. Two-year Associate Degree program in Marine Engineering
2. Two-year Associate Degree program in Nautical Science
3. Five-Month certificate course for General Purpose Crew (GP-3) Training

## Bangladesh Institute of Marine Technology

Mst. Farhana Diba (Bangladesh, 2014)

The Bangladesh Institute of Marine Technology (BIMT) is a government owned educational institute in Bandar, Narayanganj, Bangladesh. Originally called the Marine Diesel Training Centre (MDTC), it was established in 1958 to provide training for those who were interested in working as seamen in the international and national maritime industry with a basic level of maritime qualification. At the beginning MDTC offered a four-month training course, but from December 1976 it started to offer a three-year diploma in marine engineering, and the institute was renamed the Bangladesh Institute of Marine Technology under the ministry of Foreign Expatriates' Welfare & Overseas Employment. It is the first diploma level marine institute in Bangladesh. The overall objective for the establishment of BIMT was to promote regional co-operation in the maritime and shipbuilding industry focusing on training to ensure the sustained growth and development of the industry.

Now BIMT offers two diploma engineering courses: Marine technology and Shipbuilding technology. The diploma degree in both technologies is multidimensional; technical

subjects are combined with languages, economics, marine safety and international law. The institute also offers four trade courses (2 years duration): Marine Diesel Engine Artificer (MDEA), Ship Fabrication (SF), Shipbuilding Welding (SBW) and Shipbuilding and Mechanical Draftsmanship (SB&MD). BIMT has to comply with the regulations set by the local education authorities. All courses are conducted by the Bangladesh Technical Education Board, and admissions are made through the Bureau of Manpower Employment and Training.

BIMT has four workshops with well equipped machineries: IC Engine workshop, Mechanical workshop, Mold loft shop and Turbine shop. The IC engine workshop has approximately 17 diesel engines and petrol engines with different specifications, along with models of diesel and petrol engines and testing modules. BIMT has laboratories that include a Hydraulic lab, Electronics lab, Electrical lab, PLC lab, Computer lab and Safety & Fire Fighting lab. The institute has a library stocked with books and journals.

BIMT provides training to approximately 160 marine cadets each year to give them the basic



skills necessary for employment as seafarers on ships and as engineers in shipbuilding industries. After completing the degree, most of the students generally work in Singapore in different shipyards & dockyards, some of them go on board ships and some join the power plant sector. Almost 10 percent of the students look forward to attending higher education in the world's different maritime institutions, especially in Germany, South Korea, China and Australia.

Currently, BIMT is facing some challenges to provide world class standard training due to inconsistencies in coping with modern technology. However the government of Bangladesh is very much concerned about maritime growth and is trying to ameliorate this situation. Therefore, the government has taken steps to move towards a blue economy for the best utilization of our water resources and shipbuilding sector.



# Gathering Orientation 2016



The orientation event for new Sasakawa Fellowship recipients took place on September 23, 2016, in the Sasakawa Auditorium at the World Maritime University. Annually, the outgoing Fellows are given the opportunity to welcome the new recipients. The occasion was very important, as it supports one of the core aims of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation (SPF), which is to foster integration among Fellows in a network that promotes and facilitates lifelong communication. Forty-nine Fellows were in attendance; 21 from the class of 2016 and 28 newcomers from the class of 2017.

The evening programme began with a group photograph outside WMU, after which Mr. Eisuke Kudo and Mr. Shinichi Ichikawa formally addressed the event. Mr. Kudo's warm words of welcome and encouragement were well appreciated. He also brought greetings from Dr. Yohei Sasakawa, our wonderful benefactor.

Mr. Ichikawa followed with a very informative presentation on SPF and The Nippon Foundation. He highlighted the functions of both entities and further explained how they work together to deliver the fellowship program. In addition, he gave us an insight on how 'boat racing' contributes to the funding of the fellowship. He also presented a detailed description of the vision behind the Sasakawa Fellows' Network, which is to develop and maintain professional and social

relationships among Fellows, independent of those activities cultivated by SPF.

The class of 2016 was then given an opportunity to share their experiences at WMU. Presentations were made by representatives from the different course specializations: Maritime Education & Training, Shipping Management & Logistics, Port Management, Maritime Law & Policy, and Marine Safety & Environmental Administration. There was no presentation for students specializing in Maritime Energy Management & Ocean Sustainability, Governance and Management, as they were the first group to enroll in these courses. An apology was therefore given in that regard.

They further shared valuable suggestions and practical recommendations for coping with our studies and life in Malmö. However, the highlight of all their accounts was the coveted trip to Japan, where they met with Dr. Sasakawa. Everyone shared how meaningful and memorable the experience had been. We all listened with heightened anticipation and enthusiasm for the day - next year in May - when we will make the same trip.

The presentations were then followed by a discussion facilitated by Mr. John Paul Rodolfo Palattao, Class of 2016, on ways to improve and strengthen the fellowship network. The suggestions included the use of various online platforms for sharing research and business networking. These platforms must be independent from the current Facebook page, which is mostly used for social networking. All suggestions were noted for future consideration, and Mr. Mohammed Azizul Moula (Class of 2017), was tasked with the responsibility of creating the 2016/2017 Facebook group page, as has been done in previous years.

Thereafter, as the Class of 2017, we were invited to give a short introduction, whereby each of us offered details of our country of origin



and our selected specialization at WMU. This paved the way for the final session of the night, where we were treated to a lovely reception. The atmosphere was filled with the sounds of pleasantries, chatter and laughter. Indeed, it was a sure sign that we were not only enjoying the food, but also using the opportunity to create new friendships that will hopefully transcend our studies at WMU and beyond.

We were also graced with the presence of Ms. Lyndell Lundhal (Assistant Registrar), who works closely with SPF. We, the new students, were delighted to have her dining with us because she has been a pillar of support from the moment we entered WMU, both in our curricular and co-curricular activities.

The closing remarks were given by Mr. Afif Armullah, who thanked everyone for attending. He made special mention of the wonderful staff of the World Bistro for their great service and thanked Ms. Lundahl for her continued support. Lastly, he extended gratitude to Mr. Kudo and Mr. Ichikawa for their guidance and support. He further sent special thanks to The Nippon Foundation & SPF for their kindness in providing the life-changing opportunity to study at WMU.

**Abigail Yanique Bryan**  
(Jamaica, 2017)



# New Members of WMU Sasa

## Description:

28 new Sasakawa Fellowship Students in the class of 2017 joined the WMU Academic Program in the middle of September, 2016. These students are experts in their own right and are expected to excel in their chosen maritime courses under the stringent supervision of the best experts in the world in the maritime field. Upon the completion of their course, their new knowledge and skills shall contribute further to enhance their countries' community.



Azerbaijan  
S17067(MSEA)

### Aynur Maharramova

Head Specialist, Control and Standard of Ships  
The State Maritime Organization of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Studying at WMU is a golden opportunity for me. In order to get higher positions in my future career, I'm sure that the support I receive will play an undeniable role. Moreover, I will talk about The Nippon Foundation fellowships to every person in the maritime field. I thank you for assisting me to realize my dream.



Honduras  
S17072(SML)

### Johana Paola Solórzano Ardón

Ship Registry Assistant, Ship Registry Department  
General Directorate of the Merchant Marine

As a WMU student I will obtain the necessary knowledge to actively participate in finding a solution for the current problems that my country is facing in the maritime field.



Bangladesh  
S17070(PM)

### Mohammad Azizul Moula

Deputy Secretary, Secretariat Department  
Chittagong Port Authority

I believe that enriching my knowledge about the goals of IMO & its conventions at WMU will make me competent to allocate resources, to operate in an international environment and to develop a strong work force to achieve sustainable maritime goals for Bangladesh.



India  
S17069(MSEA)

### Mohmmmed Shahnawaz

Commandant (JG), Indian Coast Guard

I would like to gain valuable knowledge and experience regarding the maritime field during my studies at WMU. Upon completion of my MSc programme, I am committed to sharing my acquired knowledge with my colleagues and juniors. At the same time I will share my knowledge about maritime safety, security and environmental protection in my country. The knowledge gained at WMU will augment the efforts for effective SAR, anti-piracy and pollution response capabilities back home.



Cameroon  
S17054(OSGM)

### Akah Judith Ewo Epse Ndze

Head of Cooperation Unit / Foreign Affairs Officer  
Cooperation Unit, Ministry of Transport

Maritime challenges are enormous due to fast-changing globalization. Studying at WMU will encourage me to face today's challenges. It will also be a great opportunity for me to interconnect with people from different cultures, and I will do my best to keep in touch with WMU / SASAKAWA alumni.



Indonesia  
S17071(MEM)

### Eko Maja Priyanto

Surveyor and Researcher, Research and Development Division  
Biro Klasifikasi Indonesia (Persero)

I aim to gain not only deeper theoretical knowledge but also practical know-how on ways that maritime sustainable energy has been initiated and maintained in Sweden. Afterwards, I would like to use this knowledge to improve my organizational capabilities and to support my government, especially in maritime energy efficiency.



Colombia  
S17019(SML)

### Ciro Alfonso Reyes Hernandez

Lieutenant, Colombian Navy

It is an honor to study at WMU and to be a part of this prestigious group of the fellowship. I know that with dedication, discipline and motivation we will achieve our goals successfully. Therefore we will be one more link in this chain for the development of maritime affairs.



Iraq  
S17016(PM)

### Haitham Kadhim Al-jazaeri

Maritime Chief Engineer, Follow-up and Planning Department  
General Company for Ports of Iraq

My main aim is to acquire more information about the maritime field, in particular port management. WMU will give me the scientific know-how to help develop Iraqi ports.



Egypt  
S17062(MLP)

### Mohamed Shawki Mohamed El Khadrawi

Judge, President of the Court of First Instance  
The Egyptian Ministry of Justice

The Nippon Foundation, which is dedicated to helping people worldwide achieve their academic dreams, has offered me this great opportunity to study at WMU. Afterwards, I hope to conduct a comparative study between the Egyptian judicial system and the systems of some advanced countries, because it is not acceptable that maritime law does not keep up with contemporary issues.



Jamaica  
S17060(MET)

### Abigail Yanique Bryan

Examination Officer, Directorate of Safety Environment & Certification  
The Maritime Authority of Jamaica

My goal is to take the knowledge gained at WMU and translate it to the Caribbean in order to improve Maritime Training and Assessment.



Egypt  
S17063(MEM)

### Yaser Bayoumy Abdelwahab Farag

Lecturer, Maritime Upgrading Studies Institute - Engineering Studies  
Arab Academy for Science, Technology & Maritime Technology

Studying for my MSc degree at WMU is an opportunity that I am intending to take advantage of. During my stay, I will focus not only on the knowledge which is offered, but also developing my skills & attitude in such a rich maritime community.



Japan  
S17017(MLP)

### Yuki Morimasa

Coast Guard Officer / Ensign, Education and Training Division  
Administration Department Headquarters, The Japan Coast Guard

I am sure that the knowledge I am learning here contributes to my country, and this is a great opportunity to become friends with people who come from various countries.



Ghana  
S17058(MSEA)

### Prosper Senyo Bediako

Security Officer - Intelligence, Port Safety and Security  
Ghana Ports and Harbours Authority

I confidently look forward to utilizing the opportunities that WMU and Dr. Sasakawa offered me to take my personal and career development to the next level. I shall bring the knowledge and expertise to bear in dealing with the numerous maritime security concerns that face my country and sub-region.



Japan  
S17021(MSEA)

### Kazuhisa Takumi

Official, Maritime Bureau  
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

This is a great opportunity for me to study at WMU. During my studies, I'd like to improve my knowledge of the maritime field and to build good relationships with my classmates.



# Sasakawa Fellowship, Class of 2017

## Specialization Courses

**MET** : Maritime Education & Training

**OSGM**: Ocean Sustainability, Governance and Management

**MEM**: Maritime Energy Management

**P M** : Port Management

**MLP** : Maritime Law & Policy

**SML** : Shipping Management & Logistics

**MSEA**: Maritime Safety & Environmental Administration



**Omar Soud Aleteiwi**

Operation Staff Officer, Operation Department  
Royal Jordanian Navy

My priorities are gaining as much as possible from WMU and transferring this knowledge to my country, especially to the Jordanian Navy, as well as building bridges by making friends, which will be helpful in solving national and international problems.

Jordan

S17015(SML)



**Mellit Lucile Pantolla Mahinay**

Senior Maritime Industry Development Specialist (Senior MIDS)  
Department of Transportation (DOTr)  
Maritime Industry Authority Regional Office XIII (CARAGA)

As a student of WMU, I will study hard in accordance with WMU's systematic ways of teaching, build my professional network with my classmates, and I will apply the theoretical and applied knowledge learned to enhance Philippine Maritime education in line with international maritime standards.

Philippines

S17068(MET)



**Roger Mengistu Teah**

Administrator, Department of Monitoring, Surveillance & Rescue  
Liberia Maritime Authority

Enrolling at WMU has been a dream for quite some time, until the offer came and it became a reality. It has allowed me to further my studies in the field that I am so passionate about. For me, this is the beginning of a new day and I am truly grateful.

Liberia

S17073(MLP)



**Rachel Kosalu Bare-Anita**

Senior Marine Officer  
Solomon Islands Maritime Safety Administration (SIMSA)  
Ministry of Infrastructure Development

It is an honour to be sponsored by The Nippon Foundation to study at WMU. I believe that the knowledge and skills acquired at WMU will be utilized for the enhancement of the maritime field in my country as well as internationally.

Solomon Islands

S17057(OSGM)



**Mark Philip Cassar**

Flag & Port State Control Inspector  
Merchant Shipping Directorate, Transport Malta

In view of the future maritime field, I look forward to contributing to the maritime industry in Malta and worldwide following this unique opportunity of studying Energy Management at WMU.

Malta

S17061(MEM)



**Yapa Rajapriya Serasinghe**

Regional Director Western Region / Captain  
Sri Lanka Coast Guard

I am looking forward to gaining knowledge and experience. I am sure that I will be able to play a vital role in maritime safety and the environment in the future.

Sri Lanka

S17020(MSEA)



**Leena Ndahafa Kagola**

Human Resources Business Partner, Human Resources  
Namibia Ports Authority

To excel in my studies until I complete my PHD. The knowledge that I gain at WMU will ensure it is transferred to others as well.

Namibia

S17066(MET)



**Nadeeka Priyangani Kumari Wijegunawardhana**

Junior Executive, Liner / NVOCC Operation  
Ceylon Shipping Corporation LTD

By being a member of the WMU family, I look forward to obtaining knowledge in every aspect of Shipping Management & Logistics Services for the development of current business activities in my organization after graduating. What I gain at WMU will be helpful to uplift my life and my career prospects, too.

Sri Lanka

S17065(SML)



**Taoheed Olalekan Folami**

Principal Accountant, Financial Services Department  
Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency

My academic sojourn at the renowned WMU will enable me to develop lifelong learning capabilities and networking opportunities to assist me in contributing to deepening the maritime capacity and blue economy potentials of Nigeria, as well as promoting a global agenda for ocean sustainability, governance and management.

Nigeria

S17064(OSGM)



**Firat Bolat**

Deputy Harbour Master of Istanbul, Harbour Master Office of Istanbul  
Turkish Republic Ministry of Transport, Maritime Affairs and Communications

It's a good opportunity for me to be a Sasakawa Fellow at the World Maritime University. I can build new maritime and energy related contacts from all over the world. I would like to consolidate my academic knowledge at WMU and prepare important articles and books on maritime and energy related issues.

Turkey

S17059(MEM)



**Mirza Zeeshan Baig**

Executive Officer, Coastal Bases  
Pakistan Maritime Security Agency

I am indeed very obliged to the Sasakawa Fellowship for allowing me this auspicious opportunity to fill the woeful gap in my country concerning the global maritime industry, which is arguably the largest and the most all-encompassing sphere of human endeavours.

Pakistan

S17056(MET)



**Nguyen Viet Phuong**

Surveyor, Industrial Department  
Vietnam Register

It is a great opportunity for me to be here at WMU to gain knowledge about maritime safety and the environment. My goal is taking the valuable knowledge I acquire here to contribute to the development of the Vietnam Register and the Maritime Industry of Vietnam.

Vietnam

S17018(MSEA)



**Dii Mek Thomas**

Manager Navigation Safety Services, Maritime Operations  
PNG National Maritime Safety Authority

Authorities lack the drive to regulate maritime conventions and requirements. This energizes me to elevate myself in up-skilling in order to be on par with the developments of the industry. My motivation is to be a decision maker in maritime administration, policies and governance with the skill sets gained from WMU.

Papua New Guinea

S17074(MSEA)



**Tran Viet Hai Dat**

Operator, Vessel Traffic Service  
Maritime Administration of Ho Chi Minh City

I promise to conduct my studies well prior to transferring knowledge to my colleagues in Vietnam. I also want to build a network amongst students to help each other in maritime fields.

Vietnam

S17075(MET)

## Aji Vasudevan is elected as the Chairman of IMO's sub-committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III4) for the year 2017

The global decision-making on most maritime regulatory matters is taken at IMO, and it is a proud moment for the Sasakawa Peace Foundation and all the Sasakawa Fellows that one of the Fellows has reached a major position at IMO. During the plenary session of III-3 on July 22, 2016, Shri. Aji Vasudevan of India, a Sasakawa Fellow, (WMU, 2010) was elected as Chairman of the IMO's Sub-committee on Implementation of IMO Instruments (III4) for the year 2017. His election was based on a nomination from the Bahamas, seconded by the UK, and supported by Panama, the Republic of Korea, Russia, Indonesia, Singapore, and Jamaica. A host of other countries also supported his candidacy.

Aji Vasudevan, after his election as Chairman of III4, with Mr. Ki Tack Lim, Secretary General of IMO, and outgoing chair Capt. D. Hutchinson (Bahamas).



## New Member of the Family

Christine Pauline B Diciano (Philippines, 2015)

Creating and nurturing a family is truly a continuous learning experience--a way of life that requires a great sense of kindness, integrity, resilience and more! As Coast Guard parents, we have come to embrace the blessings and challenges that go with the life we are both called to serve. Just as I am grateful for the constant support of my husband LT. Euphrain Jayson H Diciano, PCG (Engineering Officer, SARV 002) and the love, prudence and discipline of my daughters, Alliah Aisha (9, 4th Grader who enjoys art and music) and Ariannah Ameera (8, 2nd Grader who indulges in science and technology), our family welcomed our youngest member and first son, Alexander Attila, on 30 September. Our long-awaited blissful gift, he has all our love, and we are looking forward to many wonderful adventures with him.

The Sasakawa fellowship has truly impressed a unique bond built on mutual respect in promoting a kind of international understanding, exchange and cooperation for the best interests of the maritime community and the world. As a growing family, may we all endeavor to live by the examples set forth by the fellowship in embracing every opportunity for us to better ourselves and to help as many people as we can. And while we strive to be the best, let us not forget to simply be good.

Let us be grateful and hope for great things to come. This has truly been an honor, my Sasakawa family!



## Happy Wedding

Tomoya Shimizu (Japan, 2004)

I would like to thank all of my friends for their warm congratulations on my marriage. When some of you found out about it on Facebook, many of you thought I was just joking, as I announced it on the day of April Fools. Well, as unbelievable as it sounds (even to me), it is true: I got married on April 1 this year.

This new life somehow seems similar to my days in Malmö, where we all lived together with someone who grew up in a different culture, background, with a different choice of foods and lifestyle. These days, I often find myself talking with my wife, Maiko, again and again to find the best situation for our new, communal life. During these "critical" discussions, I have learned lots of new viewpoints from her.

At the same time, since April 1, I have been assigned to work at the JCG Search and Rescue Division. I had several experiences in rescue operations on scene as an officer of a JCG Patrol Vessel, but this is a new challenge, involving SAR from an administrative position. I am really enjoying these two new challenges in my private and professional lives.

Lastly, but not least, I am looking forward to seeing your updates, especially happy news.



## Recent News from the Office

The new address for the Friends of WMU Japan website and Fellows' Directory were released this April.

<http://www.wmujapan.net/> for Friends of WMU Japan

<https://web5.sec4u.jp/wmujapan.net/> for Fellows' Directory

In addition, we have decided to update and publish the Directory of WMU Sasakawa Fellows next January, from the class of 1989 to the class of 2017. This is a FINAL CALL. If you have not checked it, please kindly check / modify it at the Friends of WMU Japan website by the end of December, 2016. If you have any questions, please contact the Secretariat by email at: [wmujapan@spf.or.jp](mailto:wmujapan@spf.or.jp)

## Editor's note

It is my pleasure to become an editorial board member of this Newsletter. I graduated from the World Maritime University in 2014 with a Master of Science, specializing in Maritime Education and Training. I had been working for 12 years at the Japanese Agency of Maritime Education and Training (JMETS), which provides on-board training, then I was assigned as a Section Chief of the PSC office, Japan, at the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism on April 1, 2015. As a Section Chief, I work on PSC matters, especially related to MLC and STCW. Through my job, I had many opportunities to see Sasakawa Fellows and WMU alumni at IMO or even PSC events held in Japan. And in April of this year, thanks to WMU, I became an editorial board member! I promise to work hard to establish better networking among Fellows through the Newsletter and further activities. Furthermore, as I will be staying on shore in Tokyo, I can welcome you anytime you come to visit my country. Without WMU, I would never have come upon this role. I am proud to do my part, and I send my best to all Fellows and alumni of WMU.

To conclude, I would like to ask you not to hesitate, but to eagerly contribute to the Newsletter.

Cheers!



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MLIT

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