



## Round Table at IAMU AGA 10

### Seafarers: Quality, Quantity and Career Development

#### Approach to Unified World Maritime Higher Education Area – the Proper Answer to the Globalization Challenge in XXI Century

*Place: Saint-Petersburg, Russian Federation*

*Date: 21 September, 2009*

*Time: 11.00-17.00*

**Goal of Round Table:** *Forming the joint Administration-MET- Industry vision on education and training of the qualified Maritime Human Resources in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

**Outcome of Round Table:** *Adoption of Joint Vision Statement*

#### **Key areas for discussion:**

##### **(1) Globalization and Shipping Industry : the main challenges at the beginning of the new century**

- *The quantity. How many seafarers do we need to-day, to-morrow and after to-morrow;*
- *The quality. What are the requirements of industry to the quality of seafarers?*
- *Globalization in Maritime transport services demands globalization in MET.*

##### **(2) Human Resources capacity building : Industry and MET System**

- *MET: Quality Human Resources as a main contribution to Safety, Security, Environmental Protection and Efficiency of Shipping Industry;*
- *IMO “Go-Sea- Campaign” –new challenge to attract talent youth for Shipping Industry;*
- *The ways to support the IMO “Go To Sea” Campaign;*
- *Education and training, what is the optimum balance?*
- *Students, Seafarers and Teaching Staff as a uniform and consistent system: shortage of eminently qualified trainers is one of the reasons of Seafarer’s low quality. Teaching staff standards evolution in 21<sup>st</sup> century;*
- *Role, interest and motivation of National Administrations in promoting the high standards of undergraduate and graduate maritime education;*
- *Assessment standards for seafarers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century;*
- *Unified on board training system is a pressing need of our time;*
- *National MET Strategies for the Seafarers’ Profession.*