



IAMU AGA 10

CALL FOR PAPERS

Local Executive Committee of the

Admiral Makarov State Maritime Academy

Invites your participation in the

10th Annual General Assembly and Conference
Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation
September 19 - 21, 2009

MET Trends in the XXI Century:
Shipping Industry and Training Institutions
in the global environment –
area of mutual interests and cooperation

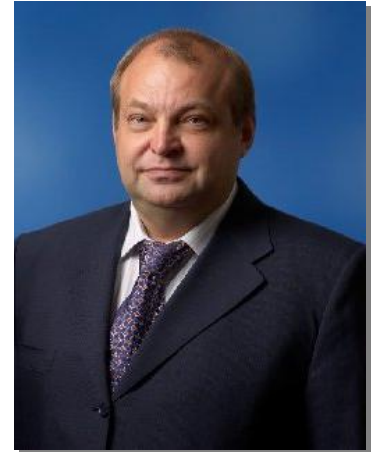
«Of course, it is vital for many sectors of society to work together as we address these issues. Yet, my experience has been that such partnerships are not always enough. In tackling new problems, we must first step back and reexamine the fundamental bottlenecks in our problem-solving process».

Yohei Sasakawa,
Chairman of The Nippon Foundation
IAMU Honorary Chair

Dear Colleagues,

IAMU, with its mission of intensification of international collaboration in the fields of maritime knowledge, education, training and research, represents the core of uniquely innovative and proactive global network in contributing to keep and shape the World Maritime Culture today and tomorrow.

On behalf of Admiral Makarov State Maritime Academy it is a great honor and privilege for me to invite your participation in the 10th Jubilee Annual General Assembly (AGA 10) of the International Association of Maritime Universities (IAMU) to be held in Saint Petersburg, Russian Federation in September 19-21, 2009.



Remembering the statement of Mr. Sasakawa that, «it is vital for many sectors of society to work together» the theme of AGA 10 is **«MET Trends in the XXI Century: Shipping Industry and Training Institutions in the global environment - area of mutual interests and cooperation»**.

Assembly takes place at an important time for IAMU and the global maritime Community. This year IMO, where IAMU holds NGO status, will hold its 26th Assembly. Go-To-Sea Campaign launched by IMO Secretary-General last year gathers strength. Comprehensive review of the STCW Convention and the Code is a very important event linking functionally the activities of MET institutions and Industry. The year of 2009 is significant for Russian Maritime Education as well. It is an honor for us to announce that this year we celebrate 200 years anniversary of Transport Education in Russia.

We are also looking forward to the IAMU Student program, which will be held in the AMSMA campus in Saint Petersburg. Among other activities, participating students will have the opportunity to present their research on a wide variety of maritime topics associated with the main theme **«Opportunities and challenges for Youth to work in the Shipping Industry»**, visit AMSMA classes, and tour our training ship MIR and Makarov Training Centre.

Round-table Panel with Shipping Industry on hot topics of quality of seafarers and supply/demand ratio will be held during the Assembly. The general theme of the Panel is **«Seafarers: Quality, Quantity and Career Development»**

We look forward to seeing you in September 2009 in Saint Petersburg and hope that the 10th Annual General Assembly will truly further our vision of mutual interests and cooperation of MET institutions and Industry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Valery Mikheev', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Valery L. Mikheev,
Rector

All IAMU member institutions are invited to submit articles. Solicited topics include, but are not limited to:

- MET and Industry – trends and gaps to be bridged
- STCW Convention and Code –the last steps of comprehensive review
- Maritime Labor Convention 2006 on the eve of entering into force
- Effective On Board Training as a key factor of seafarer' skill
- Competence Level for Seafarers
- Role of Human Element in MET and Safety Management
- Training the trainers
- Optimizing Seafarer Career Progression
- IMO «Go-To-Sea Campaign»

In order to ensure adequate time to receive a [Russian Federation visa](#), we are moving forward the paper schedule this year:

Abstracts of papers (not exceeding 400 words) should be received by **March 15, 2009**.

Notification of acceptance of abstracts will be given to authors by **April 01, 2009**.

Full papers should be submitted by **May 25, 2009**.

See website for [Submission Requirement](#).

Notification of acceptance of full papers will be communicated to authors **by June 10, 2009**.

Further information can be obtained from the AGA-10 website:

<http://gma.ru/iamu10>

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