

Introduction:

Considering that Onboard training (OBT) does strategically align the theoretical knowledge acquired in a maritime institution with practical day-to-day shipboard operations and if accomplished will instil underpinning skills and knowledge needed to transform trainees into effective manpower , a need has been felt for reviewing the same for some time at various sessions at IMO .

While International Association of Maritime Universities' (IAMU) has been running a research project entitled "Comprehensive study on quality of on-board training" and sharing its views at both HTW 4 and HTW 5 (**Information papers were submitted – attached**) , in HTW 6 as the view for a comprehensive review started developing , it further highlighted the need for looking at onboard training.

Accordingly in July 2019 at the 101st session of MSC, considering the document **MSC101/21/1 (attached)** submitted by Philippines and IMAU, MSC agreed to include in the biennial agenda of the HTW Sub-Committee for 2020-2021 and the provisional agenda for HTW 7 an output on "Development of measures to ensure quality of onboard training as part of the mandatory seagoing service required by the STCW Convention", with a target completion year of 2020.

Progress on the output:

At HTW 7 the item came up as Agenda Item 10 - DEVELOPMENT OF MEASURES TO ENSURE QUALITY OF ONBOARD TRAINING AS PART OF THE MANDATORY SEAGOING SERVICE REQUIRED BY THE STCW CONVENTION

Papers on the same have been submitted – refer document HTW 7/1/1 rev1 wrt the Agenda (attached - submitted papers HTW7/10, 7/10/1, 7/10/2 and Inf 6 are also attached).

At HTW 7 due to time constraints, the Sub-Committee deferred the consideration of this agenda item to HTW 8 and in light of same, the Sub-Committee invited MSC to extend the target completion year for this output to 2023.

Task for Participants:

Considering the above basic background and further research which participants are expected to do , formulate your paper basis the role given to you , considering that it will be the **path to be followed for Onboard training requirement** at the comprehensive review of HTW , for presentation at a mock HTW session .

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Note 1: While an attempt has been made to highlight the salient points and key papers attached, participants are encouraged to browse the IMO website as Public User and do further analysis / research basis all other documents available on the IMO website.