

HYDROGRAPHER OF FINLAND CALLS AT JHD

On 24 May 1999 Mr. Kimmo Mannola, Hydrographer of Finland, called on Dr. Yoshio Kubo, Chief Hydrographer of Japan.

Mr. Mannola visited to Japan for attend the board of director of International Association of Lighthouse Authorities (IALA).

Mr. Mannola also enjoyed ENC production process and facilities in JHD.



Left :
Dr. Y. Kubo, Chief Hydrographer of Japan
Right :
Mr. K. Mannola, Hydrographer of Finland

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE STRAITS OF MALACCA MALACCA, MALAYSIA 19-22 APRIL 1999

International Conference on the Straits of Malacca was held in Malacca, Malaysia dated 19-22 April 1999 with a theme: "Towards Sustainable Management of the Straits of Malacca; Policy, technical and financial Options."

This conference was conducted with cooperation several institutions such as Malacca Straits research and Development Centre (MASDEC), Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies (FSAS), University of Putra Malaysia (UPM), GEF/UNDP/IMO and participants. The participants representing their own institution from Indonesia, USA, Canada, England, Denmark, Philippines, Australia, Thailand, Singapore, New Zealand, Japan and also delegation from institution concerned in Malaysia, including participants from Hydrographic Deirectorate, RMN. The participants from Indonesia represented several institutions such as Hydro-oceanographic Service (DISHIDROS), Environmental Impact Management Agency, Bandung Institute of Technology, Bogor Institute of Agriculture, Indonesia Institute of Science, National Institute of Aeronautics and Space and Directorate General of Sea Communication. From Hydrographic Office (HO) of littoral sates in Malacca Straits represented by First Admiral Mhd. Rasip Hassan, First Admiral Nicolas P. Ello and Capt. Yoshikazu Tazaka, JAMS Manager, Singapore Representative Office.



Conference held at the Hotel Equatorial in Malacca, Malaysia

Due to many papers prepared by participants, therefore conference grouped into several relating to the papers such as :

1. Sustaining Living Systems Through Improved Management of Resources
2. Sustainable Management of Non-Living Resources in the Straits of Malacca
3. Oceanographic Trend in the Straits of Malacca
4. Navigational Safety Measures for the Straits of Malacca
5. Pollution Management and Mitigation in the Straits of Malacca
6. The Economics of Sustainability of the Straits-Viable Options in Management

7. Sustainable Financing Mechanism and Partnerships Development in the Straits of Malacca

8. Innovation Policy and Institutional Mechanisms in the Malacca Straits : Overcoming Bottlenecks

On 22 April 1999 visited relating project such as Green Mussel Farm at Sebatu, Tanjung Bernas Ports, Petronas Refinery at Kundor, Maritime Academy of Malaysia, Lingga Mangrove Forest and Turtle Management Centre at Padang Kemunting.

The conference was held in a spirit of cooperation and all the participants expressed their appreciation to Malaysia for organizing the conference successfully.

EXCHANGE PROGRAM ON QUALITY ASSURANCE & EDITING OF THE ELECTRONIC NAVIGATIONAL CHARTS (ENCs) COVERING THE STRAITS OF MALACCA & SINGAPORE, 22-29 MARCH 1999, SINGAPORE

CONTRIBUTED BY CAPTAIN WILSON CHUA

After the 1996-8 Joint re-survey of the Straits of Malacca and Singapore, the Japan Hydrographic Department produced the ENCs covering the Straits on behalf of the three littoral states. The ENCs were delivered to the three littoral states, namely Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore for checking. Subsequently, the Japan Association of Marine Safety (JAMS) organized an Exchange Program on the Joint Quality Assurance (QA) and Editing of the ENCs. Representatives from the Indonesian and Malaysian Hydrographic Offices (HOs) were at Maritime and Port authority of Singapore from 22 to 29 March 1999 to jointly carry out the QA of the ENCs.

The ENC were checked against the latest Common Datum Charts (CDC) provided by the Japan Hydrographic Department. The ENCs were kept up to date using latest Indonesia, Malaysia and Singapore Charts. This Program allowed officers from the three HOs to share their experience and expertise on the ENC QA techniques.

The QA and editing is ongoing and the 2nd Joint Quality Assurance workshop would be held in Malaysia in August 1999.



From left : Ms Jenny Goh Siew Ngho (Singapore), Ms Por Soh Leng (Singapore), Mr. Lim Wee Kiat (Singapore), Mr. Widy Prasetyo Soedarto (Indonesia), Mr. Jamie Chen (Singapore), Mr. Fazillah bin Mohd Salleh (Malaysia)

ELECTRONIC NAVIGATIONAL CHART TRAINING IN SINGAPORE

This ENC training course offered by Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore.

Description : The course aims to provide participants with the knowledge and understanding of Electronic Navigation Charts (ENC) as well as practical training to enable participants to carry out the ENC data production and its Quality Assurance.

For whom : Cartographic assistants who are producing ENCs in a hydrographic organization.

Duration of Study : 3 weeks

Date : 12 July 1999