

Open Forum on

Maritime Education and the Development of International Shipping Centre

Date: 11 September 2013 (Wednesday)

Time: 2:15 pm – 2:30 pm (Registration); 2:30 pm – 6:30 pm (Open Forum)

Venue: M1410, Li Ka Shing Tower, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

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Background

Hong Kong is determined to develop its high-end maritime service sectors, to enhance its position as the international shipping center in Asia. To reach this goal, the educational institution should play a key role in preparing a sufficient pool of talents with a unique set of knowledge and skills for the business operation and management in maritime service sector.

Is our educational system compatible with our competitors in Shanghai and Singapore in terms of generating sufficient qualified personnel with the right know-how? Is there any gap between what the industry wants and what the university produces? How the universities can contribute more, in both research and education, to the development of maritime industry in Hong Kong? What government policies are necessary to make this happen?

In this forum, world renowned scholars, governmental officers, academics, local experts and business representatives will share their insights in accordance with their professions. It aims to build a bridge among the government, educational institutions, and the industry, and to pave the way for the development of international shipping centre in Hong Kong.

Speakers

The Competition for the development of ISC: the role of government educational institution and the industry
by Dr Meifeng Luo, Director of IMC-Frank Tsao Maritime Library and Research & Development Centre, Department of Logistics and Maritime Studies, PolyU

The right education for an international shipping centre
by Prof Shuo Ma, Vice President, World Maritime University, Sweden

Hong Kong as an international shipping centre
by Miss Mary Tsang, Principal Assistant Secretary of the Transport and Housing Bureau, HKSAR

The right knowledge and skills for maritime service sector – from the perspective of a researcher in a Chartering business
by Ms Michelle Ma, Vice President, Noble Chartering Limited, Hong Kong

The maritime education programs in The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
by Dr Venus Lun, Program Director of MSc in International Shipping and Transport Logistics, Department of Logistics and Maritime Studies, PolyU