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Marine HR and Education – Today & Beyond

A report on the GlobalMET India Conference 2017

Held in Mumbai, on 3rd and 4th November 2017

Three elements are required to work in tandem to ensure the success of any conference: the right mix of knowledge (the speakers), the right delegation and the right platform to bring the above two together.

This is exactly what GlobalMET managed at a dynamic and knowledge rich conference held in the coastal city of Mumbai on 3rd & 4th November 2107

This was not the first conference by GlobalMET in India, although it surely became one of the largest held so far. That said, it was for the first time that speakers and delegates from over 10 maritime nations including USA and China came over to India for such a conference.

It was overwhelming to see the delegates and speakers share valuable knowledge, not only during the sessions and presentations, but, also at the exhibition area



Photo 1 : Capt. Ashok Mahaptra from the IMO spoke on the recent changes in MSC and MEPC affecting seafarers.

The sessions were laid out in the following format:

Day 1 – Session 1 – Maritime Training Standards – Regulatory Framework

This was an excellent ice breaker which saw representation from the DG Shipping of India, IMO and the US Coast Guard on a common platform for the first time. Chairmen of GlobalMET and IndiaMET welcomed the delegates and also shared their vision of Marine HR and Education in the future



Photo 2: Mrs. Malini Shankar (Directorate General of Shipping) discussed key issues and solutions with the delegates

Day 1 – Session 2 – Manning & Training in Premier Crew Supplying Countries

An unmatched session, where representatives from Ukraine, Philippines, China and India shared the latest updates and status of the recruitment and training of Human Resources in their countries



Photo 3: The speakers included eminent personalities form the world of shipping



Photo 4: Panel discussion on Day 1



Photo 5: Book launch of "Spirituality leadership competency model" by Capt. Ajay Achuthan (Synergistic solutions):



Photo 6: The speakers share a lighter moment with our sponsors



Photo 7: Awards were presented to a number of personalities including Mr. Haroun A Yusuf



Photo 8: The event included an evening Indian classical music 'tabla and sitar jugalbandi' performance for the benefit of the guests

The attendees were also welcomed to the grand IndiaMET awards, where the pillars of Maritime Training and Education in India were awarded. The audience was entertained with authentic Indian Classical Music and Dance Performances, making it a fun filled evening

Day 2 – Session 1 – Use of E-Technology in Navigation, Communication & Training

From the use of advanced simulation, elearning to gaming technology with the use of virtual/augmented reality – this session had the participants at the edge of their seats. It was time for the industry to unanimously agree that the seafarer of tomorrow will go beyond books and classroom for his/her training needs.

The stage also welcomed updates on latest communication solutions available for mariners and developments in the offing



Day 2 – Session 2 – Monitoring Performance of Shipboard Operation

From latest information on the much spoken about Ballast Water Management Systems to the increase in number of women seafarers – this session was a perfect signing off note for the future to come



Photo 9: Capt. Pradeep Chawla (Chairman, GlobalMET) and Prof. Liu Zhenjiang (Dalian maritiem University, China)

All the sessions were perfectly modulated by esteemed panelists who kept the audience and speakers together and added a huge amount of value to the conference. A special session was conducted to discuss the role of women in shipping.



Photo 10: A discussion on the role of women in shipping



Photo 11: Speakers on day 2

Photos of some of our speakers -







GlobalMET will continue their endeavors to hold such conference at various global locations and raise the bar each time

The event was curated by Offing Group Private Limited, a bespoke company from India.

Catch further glimpses of the event in the Photo Gallery section of the GlobalMET website.

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