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## Dear Member

Welcome to this News Bulletin from the International Institute of Marine Surveying (IIMS). This bulletin is available in PDF and eReader format from the IIMS website. It aims to keep members and non-members up to date with information on a monthly basis. Members are encouraged to share and forward this newsletter to colleagues, who they think might like to join the Institute, or who may be interested in its content. For more information about the Institute visit: [www.iims.org.uk](http://www.iims.org.uk)



*Hope to see you in  
Brisbane or Singapore  
next month...*

## CEO Chat

### Dear Member

To say June was a month to remember is something of an understatement. As I look back now, it seems barely possible that we got through the sheer volume of work that we did.

It started with a Maritime & Coastguard Agency audit of our Certifying Authority. These are never the easiest of days and auditors are always looking for whatever they can find. Of course, we always welcome the opportunity to improve our systems and processes. So we heaved a heavy sigh of relief as it was a clean audit with very few concerns.

Next up was the annual Seawork exhibition at Southampton. This is a renowned three-day show for the workboat sector and draws a number of members to the event and to our stand. I was unable to leave the stand due to the number of visitors. As part of our commitment to the Small Craft Surveyors Forum, we helped deliver a great afternoon's seminar.

# CEO Chat *(continued)*

The following week brought new challenges for the head office team as we headed to London to prepare and deliver the three-day IIMS Conference, Annual General Meeting and eCMID seminar. Dinner at 10-11 Carlton House Terrace was great too. I am grateful to MAIB CEO, Capt Andrew Moll, for speaking after dinner. And handing out three Blue Water awards and three Honorary memberships was a great pleasure. Judging by the positive feedback I have received from many of those who attended, the event was a resounding success. These events are stressful. The planning and preparation have to be meticulous. Only then can the delivery be perfect and meet expectations. My colleagues and I like putting on these opportunities for you to learn and network and do so increasingly around the world. There is a fuller review of Conference elsewhere in this news bulletin.



As you may have heard, IIMS is now deep in negotiations to purchase Murrills House from our landlord as the new permanent home for the Institute. This is an extraordinary opportunity and exciting project to be involved with. IIMS has started a crowdfunding campaign which will remain open until 31 March 2020. This gives you the opportunity to make a donation (no matter how small or large) towards the essential maintenance post purchase we would like to undertake. In return for your generosity, we will place a plaque with your name on the board room wall that will remain there in perpetuity. Donations can be made via our Just Giving page at <https://bit.ly/2VU4Qnr>. Alternatively you can simply transfer your donation to us by bank transfer, but please advise us before you do if that is your chosen method. Already we have raised nearly £8k.



Please raise a glass to recognise the work of Capt John Noble (pictured left), who has formally retired from executive duties with the Institute. John has given service to the organisation over many years as a management board member and Chairman of Administration and of the Education committee. Good luck John.



I am travelling again soon and hope to meet as many members (and others) as possible in Brisbane (1-2 August) and in Singapore (7-8 August) either in person or online! We have more great speakers who are preparing to share their knowledge with you. See inside this news bulletin for further details of both events.

Survey well.

**Mike Schwarz**  
Chief Executive Officer



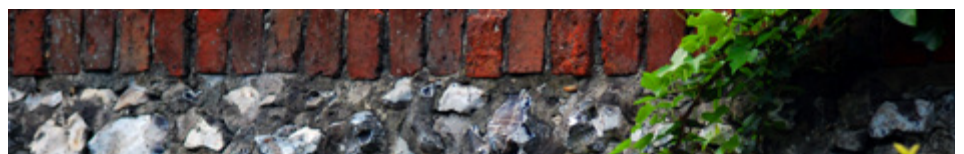




## Purchase of Murrills House – crowdfunding opportunity

IIMS would like your help. We are reaching out to the members and supporters of the Institute to invite them to make a financial donation towards the purchase of Murrills House as the Institute's new permanent headquarters. Any financial donation will not simply go to the bottom line of the business and get lost. Rather, we plan to invest it in paying for the stamp duty on the purchase with any balance left being put towards some of the maintenance work we will need to do, which includes replacing some rotting windows.

All those who choose to make a donation (unless anonymously) will be recognised with a special, individual **Founders Plaque** for each person making a donation which will be displayed in the offices for ever more. And rest assured that any donation, no matter how small, will be very gratefully received. We have made it simple to do by setting up an online 'Just Giving' page, which can be accessed at <https://bit.ly/2VU4Qnr>. Alternatively you can simply transfer money to IIMS but please let us know beforehand if you intend to do so.





# Report on IIMS London Conference 2019

Great venues. Brilliant speaker content on a range of relevant surveying topics. Meeting old friends and colleagues. Excellent food and the odd beer or two. What's not to like about an IIMS London Conference with the added benefit of an eCMID AVI seminar? Admittedly the incessant rain was unfortunate and the train strike that affected some of us totally uncalled for. Big thanks to Constellation Marine Services, the main sponsor.



As well as real time delegates, a number had chosen to join Conference online. Day one was unashamedly biased towards commercial ship surveyors with day two lending itself to both commercial and small craft surveyors. There were firm reminders on the first day of the importance of doing the basics well. According to one presenter - Neale Rodrigues - some surveyors complete their reports without having properly read and understood the brief. Hearing from a representative of the MCA was encouraging too. And to listen to Bas Edmonds speaking openly and honestly about the challenges the agency faces was encouraging.



The Conference Dinner was great fun, set in the splendour of the Georgian 10-11 Carlton House Terrace, home of the British Academy. Capt Andrew Moll, MAIB CEO, entertained guests with his anecdotes. Three new Honorary members were announced and awarded to Carey Golesworthy (Honorary Member and not present), Peter Harris (Honorary Member) and Capt Nick Sloane (Honorary Fellow).

*Guest speaker Capt Andrew Moll,  
MAIB CEO*



*Peter Harris (left) receiving an Honorary Membership*





*Capt Nick Sloane (left) receiving an Honorary Fellowship*

Additionally, three Blue Water awards were presented. This award is given to someone externally who has made a significant contribution to the Institute. Mike Schwarz presented one to Mark Ford, IMCA Technical Director and to Michelle D'Silva and Shreya Shiroadkar, both from eDot Sultions, the company behind the various Apps that have been engineered for the Institute.

Donations at the Conference dinner for the President's chosen charity, the Jubilee Sailing Trust, made the sum of £363. IIMS has doubled this and has donated £726 to the Jubilee Sailing Trust in Southampton.

A full report on the event and transcript of Mike Schwarz's dinner speech is at: <https://bit.ly/2J40rWL>.



*Mark Ford, IMCA Technical Director (left) receiving a Blue Water award*



*Shreya Shiroadkar (left) and Michelle D'Silva (right) each receiving a Blue Water award*



Said Hilary Excell, Director, Marine Surveying Academy, "Great to return to the superb venue at Regent's University with spacious rooms, loads of character

and atmosphere, and a welcoming team to support the IIMS Conference and eCMID AVI Seminar. The speakers were fascinating, everything from client expectations of surveyors to cyber security - what a mix. The eCMID AVI day was interactive as we have come to expect with lively detailed discussions all day long. It is always a pleasure to meet IIMS members and AVIs, putting names to faces, as well as catching up with old friends. We are now very much looking forward to our next two eCMID AVI events in Singapore on 7th and 8th August, and Amsterdam on 26th September."



Camella Robertson, IIMS Membership Secretary said, "Its great to see members from all over the world meeting each other and networking, some for the first time, and others who haven't seen each other for years reconnecting. The personal interaction for me was a highlight especially as most of our communications are done over email. I finally got to talk to them face to face."



Craig Williams, IIMS Graphic Designer, said, "The highlight of the conference for me was being in awe at an iceberg being delivered from Antarctica to South Africa (the country I grew up in) and the low point was finding out that it hadn't actually happened yet!"



David Parsons, Certifying Authority Administrator said, "It was hard to know what to expect from my first IIMS conference, but I was not disappointed. The dinner in particular was superb, a beautiful setting."





## Report Magazine edition 88 June 2019 – did you miss it?

The June Report Magazine is rather different and if you have yet to read it you are encouraged to do so, for there is a lengthy feature item on the Institute's headquarters, Murrills House, a 500-year-old manor house in Hampshire, which the Institute is now in the process of acquiring. Aspects of the history have been documented with some fascinating original photos that are over one hundred years old.

Cargo is very much in the spotlight in this edition. There are features on the carriage of soya beans, the loading of steel coils and securing containers.

Cdr Balakrishnan G Nair has authored a most interesting article that he is keen to share with IIMS members about a recent job on a pipelaying project where he was acting as marine warranty surveyor that went wrong sending the whole operation into a tizzy.

Also worthy of a read is an article entitled 'The Human Side' which looks at what goes awry when disaster strikes and how humans, the most unpredictable of things, decide to act as the disaster unfolds.

Carey Golesworthy is the 'star' of A Day in the Life of. Unknown to many members, Carey is a naval architect and has been a cornerstone of the Education Committee for many years. Moreover, he has authored, marked and assessed a number of the IIMS modules that form the award-winning Professional Qualifications programme. At the recent IIMS London Conference Dinner, Carey was awarded an Honorary membership.

The Report can be read in pdf or eReader format at <https://bit.ly/2ztbJkE>.

## John Noble formally retires from official IIMS duties as IIMS succession plans



*President Zarir Irani and Capt John Noble*

It is sad to inform members that Capt John Noble has announced his intention to retire from official IIMS duties with immediate effect. John, who will be known personally to many members, has given superb service over many years as a management board member and Chairman of Administration and the Education committee. He has agreed to remain on the education committee in the short term. His presence will be sorely missed and all at IIMS and our wider family wish him a long and happy retirement.

Vice President, Geoff Waddington, has agreed to take up the post of Chairman of Administration until at least the end of his two-year term as the next President. In the short term, IIMS CEO, Mike Schwarz, will chair the Education committee.

Three new members were approved to be added to the management board. This board's decision was subsequently put to a vote and ratified by those who attended the AGM. They are Peter Broad, Deputy Vice President, who operates from South Korea, Sanjay Bhasin based in London and David Pestrige from Devon. Peter and Sanjay's interests lie in the larger, commercial shipping sector, whilst David is a yacht and small craft surveyor.

# Join IIMS in Brisbane for an essential two-day workshop on 1 and 2 August

Members and non-members from Australia and New Zealand (and even further afield) are welcome and encouraged to register to attend the IIMS two-day workshop that has been arranged in Brisbane on 1 and 2 August 2019. If distance and travel is an issue and prevents you from coming in person, you are welcome to join us as an online only delegate via the Zoom platform. The workshop is kindly sponsored by Kedge PTY Ltd.



The venue is:

Novotel Brisbane Airport

6-8 The Circuit, Brisbane Airport QLD 4008, Australia

The cost for both days to include refreshments, tea, coffee and buffet lunch is just AUS\$ 275. Attendance at the event earns 5 CPD points.

To reserve your place please register at <https://bit.ly/2VnP8wA> and we will invoice you in Australian dollars.

The programme is as follows:

## **THURSDAY 1 AUGUST**

- 09.00 Registration
- 09.30 Mike Schwarz: Update on IIMS head office activities
- 10.15 Coffee
- 10.30 Adam Brancher: Achieving ISO 9001/14001/45000 certification – a practical guide to the process and why a surveyor should consider doing it
- 11.45 Mick Uberti: From the ISM Code to Marine Order 504 – Changes to Safety Management Systems for DCV's
- 13.00 Lunch
- 14.00 Russell Fraser: New developments in NDT and their application in marine survey
- 15.00 Tea
- 15.30 Awaiting speaker confirmation
- 16.45 Close and networking hour
- 19.30 Thursday night – group dinner at a nearby restaurant at own cost

## **FRIDAY 2 AUGUST**

- 09.00 Registration
- 09.15 Mike Schwarz: Driving international surveying standards and the Marine Surveying Practitioner scheme
- 09.45 Nick Parkyn: An introduction to Synthetic Rigging
- 11.00 Coffee
- 11.30 Steve Fisher: The Role of Surveyors in Superyacht Refit
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.30 Video: Gary Lowell: Wooden boat surveying
- 14.00 Awaiting speaker confirmation
- 15.00 Tea break
- 15.30 Nick Parkyn: The importance of GDPR and data privacy
- 16.00 Mike Schwarz: 19 tips for business success
- 16.30 Close



# IIMS looks forward to welcoming you to Singapore for the eCMID AVI and IIMS two-day seminar

Join IIMS on 7 and 8 August as once again we return to Singapore to deliver two excellent seminar days. We have attracted some first class speakers on both days. You are welcome to attend both days, or either or. Also, online delegates are welcome to join us too. Additionally, on 6 August we are holding a one day eCMID AVI accreditation validation course at the same venue.

## DAY ONE

Tuesday 6 August 2019 - eCMID AVI Accreditation course  
(available in person only)

## DAY TWO

Wednesday 7 August 2019 - eCMID AVI conference

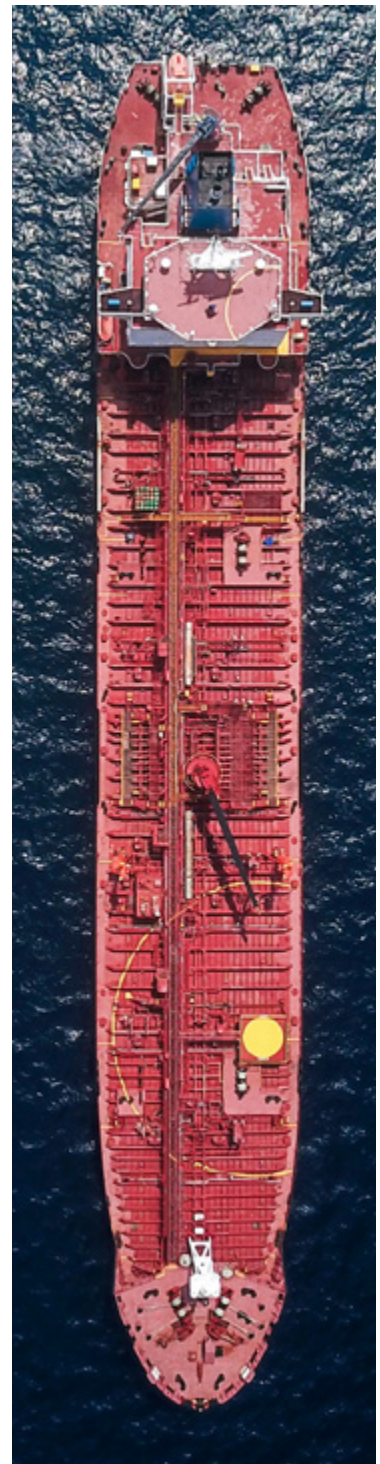
- 09.00 Registration
- 09.30 Mike Schwarz: Welcome & AVI scheme update - 4 years on
- 10.00 Mark Ford: Video - eCMID updates and the roadmap development (recorded recently in London)
- 11.00 Coffee
- 11.20 Joey Fisher: IMCA DP Accreditation Scheme
- 12.00 Yves Vandeborn: What are the key components of a good safety management system and how should it be checked
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.45 Simon Ward: Pipelay Operations
- 14.30 Coffee
- 14.45 Edgare Kerkwijk, Asia Wind Energy Association: Topic to be confirmed
- 15.45 Awaiting speaker confirmation
- 16.30 Close

## DAY THREE

Thursday 8 August 2019 - IIMS conference

- 09.00 Registration
- 09.30 Mike Schwarz: Welcome & IIMS head office update
- 10.15 Denis Welch, Safinah Group: Spoiling the Ship for a Ha'poth of Tar  
The risk from coatings is frequently underestimated as it is such a small part of the initial capex or operating costs, but the implications of getting it wrong often results in reinstatement and legal costs that are an order of magnitude higher. There is real need to understand the operating life cycle and move from received wisdom - from Coating Technician to Coating Engineer.
- 11.15 Coffee
- 11.30 Ken Livingstone: IMO 2020 Sulphur Cap
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Hari Subramaniam, Shipowners P&I Club: Topic to be confirmed
- 14.20 Coffee
- 14.45 Peter Broad, Broadreach Marine: LNG shipping technology past, present and future
- 15.45 Stefan Becker: Improving CTU cargo securing to reduce risk
- 16.30 Close

To reserve your place please register at <https://bit.ly/2kL1iQf> and we will invoice you in Singapore dollars.





# IIMS UAE Branch gearing up for one hell of a celebratory conference

The date for your diary is Wednesday 20th November 2019. The venue is the prestigious Queen Elizabeth II, moored in Dubai. The occasion is the tenth anniversary since the formation of the IIMS UAE Branch and this is the sixth biennial Conference.

*The current line-up of speakers is:*

Capt Prakash Correa: The shipowner's perspective

Capt Nick Sloane: Ultra large container ship fires

Dr Nippin Anand: Topic to be confirmed

Tony Fernandez: Topic to be confirmed

Capt Rahul Khanna: Topic to be confirmed

Mike Schwarz, IIMS Chief Executive Officer

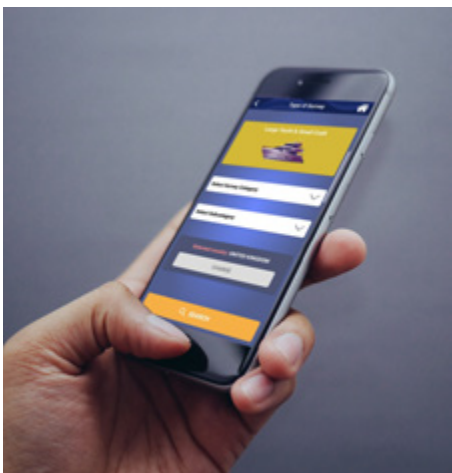
Pradeep Luthria: Cyber resilience and insurance

Henrick Uth: Survey on demand

Capt Porus Dalal: Human error - the underlying root cause in accidents



Watch for more details coming soon



## IIMS Marine Surveyor Search App continues to gain traction

The new free Marine Surveyor Search App for iOS and Android devices, which makes finding a commercial or yacht and small craft marine surveyor by area or specialisation fast and simple, continues to attract downloads.

The App can be downloaded in the usual way from either the Google Play Store or App Store. Just search for 'Marine Surveyor Search'.

The content is drawn from the current IIMS practicing surveyor membership database, which has been loaded in its entirety into the App - some 800+ surveyors in over 100 countries worldwide.

Many members have yet to check their listing on the App for accuracy and to ensure it is displaying as you would like it to show with the correct details and so on.

Key features of the App include a simple search function by name, by skill set and by location, including the nearest port in the case of commercial ship surveyors. Additionally, the App will allow users to rate a surveyor, store favourites and see recently searches. Communication with a chosen surveyor is simple with contact being made by email or telephone at the press of a button – and that is happening, albeit it in small volumes at the moment.



## Review of the Small Craft Surveyors Forum seminar at Seawork

Once again the room at the Seawork workboat exhibition in Southampton was packed with surveyors from many of the different surveying organisations. The three presentations arranged by the various organisations that afternoon proved to be of great interest and generated much comment and questions from the delegates present.

The session involving Mike Proudlove (windfarm vessel operator) and Steve Moffat (surveyor), moderated by Mike Schwarz, led to an open discussion about windfarm crew transfer vessels, their maintenance, common problems being found and the challenges of the survey and refit regimes.

Representing the Maritime & Coastguard Agency Small Commercial Vessels Department, Bas Edmonds spoke honestly and openly about the many challenges the organisation has faced and still faces. He talked about the essential work that is going on to redraft the colour codes, explaining how this would be delivered as well as the importance of harmonizing the surveying activities amongst certifying authorities.

The final speaker was Matthew Goodall, South Coast and Naval Account Manager from Akzo Nobel. In his presentation about Intersleek, silicon and fluoropolymer foul releasing coatings, he gave striking examples how after a few years of use, fouling is reduced by a huge amount.

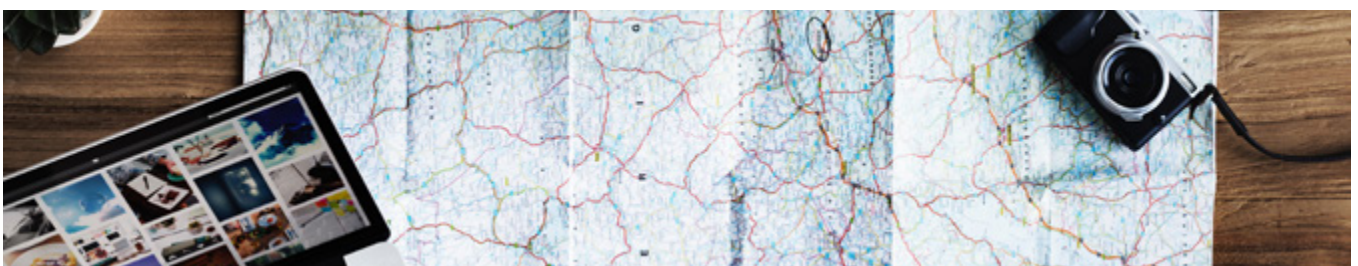
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## IIMS Membership Travel Service scheme

Norad Travel Group runs the Membership Travel Service scheme for IIMS members. The scheme offers a range of exclusive benefits for IIMS members only.

The Norad team of Marine Specialists is based in their Liss (UK) European Headquarters. They operate alongside their Global partners in Greece, The Philippines, India, UK, Ukraine, South Africa and Australia. Norad Travel Management holds marine fare contracts with all major airlines.

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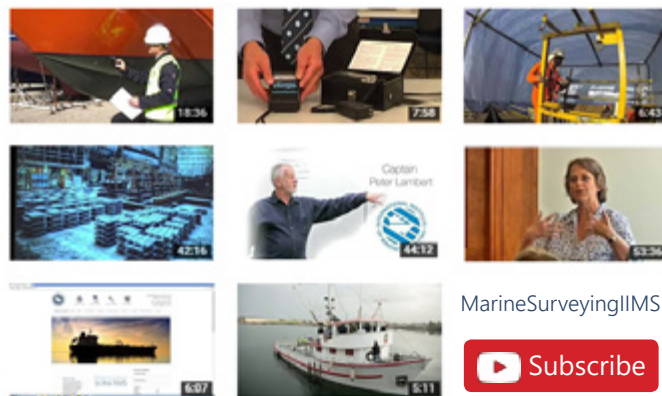
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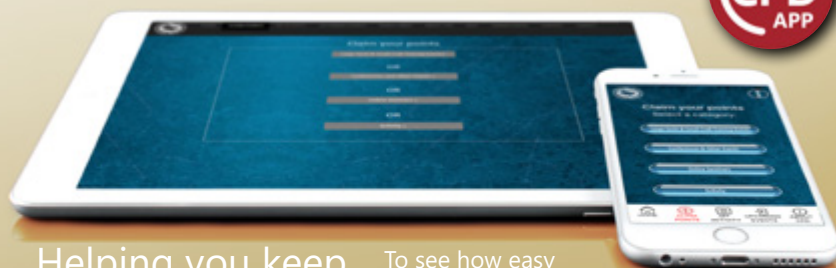


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As always, the IIMS head office team are here to help you on any matters relating to your membership or education needs. Please contact the appropriate person as follows:

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