

MPM Hosted The Malaysian Delegation to APMPF 2025

Malaysia participation in the **4th Asia Pacific Maritime Pilots Forum 2025** was hosted by MPM, the national organisation of maritime pilots in the country. The Malaysian Delegation comprise of representatives from the Marine Department of Malaysia, Johor Port Authority and private companies. Spouses and children of delegates as accompanying person were also part of the delegation.

The Vietnam Maritime Pilots Association (VMPA) hosted the prestigious event in the vibrant city of Vietnam, Da Nang from *3th to 6th September 2025* with more than *250 participants* from the Asia Pacific countries including Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia, Brunei Darulsalam, Thailand, Vietnam, Australia, Taiwan, China, Hong Kong, and South Korea.

APMPF is a vital platform that facilitates communication and cooperation among maritime pilot organisation in the Asia Pacific Region, aiming to promote development and sustainability of maritime pilots in the maritime and shipping industry as outlined in the Bali Declaration 2017 signed by member countries in Bali.



L-R Tn Razif Samsudin-Johor Port Authority, Capt Nazri Hassan-Malaysia Marine Department, Capt. Martin Lim-MPM President, Capt. Simon Pelletier-International Maritime Pilots Association (IMPA) & Canadian Maritime Pilots Association (CMPA) President, Capt. M Assuad Ahmad, Capt Salleh Salikin and Mr Matthew Williams-IMPA Secretary General.

According to the President of MPM, Capt. Martin Lim, Malaysia's continuous representation at the APMPF is important as successful maritime nation globally with a records of 28,982 ships with an equivalent of 390 millions GRT called ports in Malaysia up to the second quarter of 2025, with a projection of more than 57,964 total number of ship calls by end of 2025 (Source-MOT). This essentially demand safe and efficient pilotage with the highest profesionalism for Malaysia to remain resilient and sustainable in the global map.

The deliberations and exchange of pilotage and maritime shipping related information amongst delegates potentially, contribute senhancement to safety of maritime pilotage and reduces time loss at all ports in Malaysia. In a bigger perspective, it provide a window for the maritime pilots fraternity to enhance the efficiency of port and terminal activity in the country.

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Capt. Martin Lim, who is the President of MPM (Malaysia) chaired the opening technical session of APMPF 2025 with speakers Capt. Syamsul Maarif-Secretary General of INAMPA (Indonesia) and Mr. Mathew Williams-Secretary General of IMPA (right).

Capt. Martin Lim added that it was an honour for Malaysia to chair the opening of the technical session during the APMPF 2025 where papers were deliberated by the speakers from IMPA, Vietnam, Thailand and Indonesia.

Participants were guided about the active role played by IMPA to the adoption of enhancement of SOLAS Chapter 5, Regulation 23 pertaining to Pilot Transfer Arrangement (PTA) circulated as in the IMO Resolution MSC.576(110). Attention was drawn to the training and licensing of pilots in Vietnam that indicated a sharp variation on the ship LOA based on relative competency.

Indonesia shared the technicalities on the cruise ship pilotage and procedures at its famous cruise destination i.e. Benoa (Bali), Celukan Bawang (Bali), Lembar (Lombok) and Tenau (Kupang) in the country and maintained that cruise ship's master will never be given the liberty to conduct vessel while in the compulsory pilotage district.

Thailand presented the crucial roles by its maritime pilots in Bangkok, Siracha, Satthathip, Maptaput, Phuket and Songkla port in meeting the global challenges of maritime and shipping. It takes at least 6 years for a trainee pilot to obtained an unrestricted pilot license and must hold a Master Certificate of Competency.



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Tuan Haji M. Hafiz bin Majid who is a member of Malaysia Delegation representing Malaysia Marine Department of Malaysia (MMD) flanked by Capt. Max T. Stoessel (right) and his daughter of Papua New Guinea during the APMPF 2025.



Malaysian delegate, Capt. M Assuad deliberated a paper for Malaysia at the APMPF 2025.

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President of International Maritime Pilots Association (IMPA),
Capt. Simon Pelettier, delivering his speech during the APMPF 2025 forum.



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Malaysian delegates accompanied by the Vietnamese maritime pilots with caps featuring MPM's emblem.



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Indonesian Maritime Pilot Association (INAMPA) President, Capt. Pasoroan Herman Harianja led delegates from Malaysia, Indonesia and Brunei to sing the favourite song, "Rasa Sayang" during the APMPF 2025 Gala Dinner.





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MPM Would Like To Extend Our **Heartiest Gratitude** and **Compliments** to the Vietnam Maritime Pilots Association (VMPA) for hosting the APMPF 2025 with great success including the followings organisation and their respective officer / staff for their support along and during our participation in the APMPF 2025, Da Nang, Vietnam.

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