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Sayın Üyemiz,

Uluslararası Deniz Ticaret Odası'ndan (International Chamber of Shipping - ICS) alınan 05.10.2021 tarihli Ek'te sunulan yazıda, ICS Çin İrtibat Bürosu tarafından Eylül 2021 raporunun hazırlandığı bilgisi verilmektedir.

Söz konusu raporda; Çin'deki gemi personeli değişimi, Çin tarafından ilk defa Uluslararası Denizcilik Örgütü Teknik İş Birliği Komitesi'ne (IMO Technical Cooperation Committee) bir önerge sunulduğu, Çin Ulaştırma Bakanlığı'nın konteyner arzını artırmak için girişimlerde bulunduğu, 1'inci World Maritime Merchants Forum'unun 20 Ekim 2021 tarihinde Hong Kong'da gerçekleştirileceği, 1'inci North Bund Forum'unun 3-5 Kasım 2021 tarihinde Şangay'da icra edileceği, Hong Kong Denizcilik Haftası'nın (Hong Kong Maritime Week) 31 Ekim 2021 tarihinde gerçekleştirileceği ve Hong Kong Özel İdari Bölgesi Hükümeti (Hong Kong Special Administration Region - HKSAR) tarafından Hong Kong'daki iş geliştirmeye ilişkin bir rapor yayımlandığı hususları yer almaktadır.

Konuya ilişkin detaylı bilgi Ek'te sunulmaktadır.

Bilgilerinize arz/rica ederim.

Saygılarımla,

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Genel Sekreter

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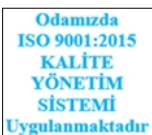
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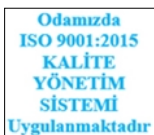
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TO: ALL FULL AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

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CHINA DEVELOPMENTS - SEPTEMBER 2021

Action required: *To note the attached monthly report from the ICS (China) Liaison Office.*

Attached at **Annex A**, please find the monthly report prepared by the Principal Representative of the ICS (China) Liaison Office for September 2021.

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ICS (China) Liaison Office Monthly Report

September 2021

Note: From January 2020, the ICS (China) Liaison Office (the “Office”) is dedicated to issue report to ICS members on a monthly basis. The Office hopes through regular written reports to update ICS members of significant developments within the PRC that might affect or be of relevance to international ship operators, and the works done by the Office. This is the 22nd report for September 2021.

1. Crew change in Mainland China

Situation remains unchanged. Due to the prevention of spread of COVID-19 virus mutations, it is almost impossible for the port authorities to allow foreign seafarers to embark or disembark a vessel since the epidemic prevention policy is becoming more and more strict against the backdrop of new outbreak in several Chinese regions. If special circumstances exists, such as injury or disease requiring emergent medical treatment, the port authorities may settle the issue on a case by case basis.

2. China for the first time submits a motion proposal to the IMO Technical Cooperation Committee

From September 20 to September 24, the 71st session of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) Technical Cooperation Committee (TC) was held by video. China's "Recommendations on Making Full Use of the Maritime Technology Cooperation Centre to Implement Comprehensive Technical Cooperation Programs", which was submitted to the topic of "Reviewing and Reforming the Long-term Technical Cooperation Strategy of the IMO" was reviewed and received extensive support from all member states. This is the first time that China has submitted a motion proposal to the IMO Technical Cooperation Committee.

The meeting reviewed the Chinese proposal and believed that the relevant recommendations are very constructive and will help IMO to further coordinate the use of existing resources when carrying out global maritime technical cooperation, improve the effectiveness of technical cooperation projects, and will be further incorporated into the maritime technical cooperation being developed by IMO.

In recent years, with the establishment of the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals, maritime technical cooperation with the goal of "helping developing countries improve maritime governance capabilities" has received extensive attention from IMO member states, and China Maritime Safety Administration has actively participated in IMO technical cooperation. The committee has undertaken a number of IMO technical cooperation projects to help developing countries jointly improve maritime governance capabilities, and at the same time actively share the successful experience of my country's maritime technical cooperation, launch a Chinese plan, and promote the continuous improvement of global maritime technical cooperation.

3. China's Ministry of Transport takes steps to boost supply of shipping containers

China has taken steps to curb a surge in container shipping rates to stabilise the international supply chain and boost foreign trade, according to a press conference by China's Ministry of Transport on 26 September 2021.

The MoT has encouraged international container shipping companies to increase freight capacity on export routes from the Chinese mainland by measures such as offering more containers and enhancing transport efficiency.

The MoT revealed that major container shipping companies had allocated more space on major routes from China in the first eight months of this year. For example, the freight capacity on routes to North America reached 9.11 million standard containers (TEU), up 40.2% year-on-year and an increase of 24.8% compared with the same period in 2019. The freight capacity on routes to Western and Northern Europe was 5.67 million standard containers, up 23.7% year-on-year and 8% more than in the first eight months of 2019. A shortage of empty containers has caused difficulties for shipments. The MoT and the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology have urged container manufacturers to increase production and have helped container companies arrange more empty containers on return trips.

China has been making a record 500,000 containers a month, up from 200,000 previously. Putting more new containers into use has speeded up the turnover of empty containers and relieved pressure from the container shortage.

China has a stockpile of 400,000 containers, and only a few container shipping companies have experienced temporary shortages of empty containers in some ports due to shipment delays, bad weather and epidemic control measures.

The MoT urged stakeholders, including shipping companies, port operators and trading enterprises, to engage in long-term cooperation. Meanwhile, cargo owners were also encouraged to sign long-term transportation agreements with container companies to receive stable service and ensure a stable logistics supply chain. By way of an example, one Chinese cargo owner had signed a long-term cooperation agreement with a shipping company at the start of the year that had secured a stable price of \$2,600 a container. The market price of a single container had since increased to more than \$10,000.

Between January and August 2021, China's imports and exports of goods increased by 23.7% year-on-year, with exports up 23.2%. The improvement in China's foreign trade has boosted the need for containers, while the spread of COVID-19 has caused congestion at some overseas ports.

4. World Maritime Merchants Forum

As previously mentioned, the 1st World Maritime Merchants Forum (the "WMMF" - <https://wmmhk.com/en-US>) is scheduled to be held in Hong Kong on 20 October 2021. The WMMF is expected to boost efforts to upgrade the global shipping industry chain and establish a greener industrial ecology. Please click the link to watch the promotional video of the WMMF: <https://wmmhk.com/en-US/pages/LeadingtheTrend>.

The WMMF will assemble government officials, shipping company executives, associations, financial institutions as well as experts from across the world to discuss a series of topics, including

the transformation of the global shipping industry in a new era, and options for decarbonisation approach and technology.

The WMMF is jointly hosted by China Merchants Group, ICS, BIMCO, and Hong Kong Shipowners Association. ICS Chairman Esben Poulsson will present a guest speech as to how to maintain the rights of shipowners in the international environmental movements. In addition, the Principal Representative will be a member of the first panel discussion on the topic of “Towards a sustainable maritime supply chain in the new era”.

As a co-host, ICS cordially invites all members to register and attend the WMMF and listen to the industrial leaders insightful views as to the future shape of global shipping: <https://wmmhk.com/en-US/customPages/invitationLetter?org=TWVtYmVycyBvZiBJQ1M&org2=SUNT&type=online>.

5. The First North Bund Forum

Also as previously mentioned, the 1st North Bund Forum (the “NBF”), which is jointly hosted by the Shanghai Municipal People’s Government and the Ministry of Transport of China, is scheduled to be held from 3 to 5 November 2021 in Shanghai. To see more details of the NBF, please see its official website: <https://northbundforum.scimeeting.cn/en/web/index/11152>.

The NBF is aimed to bring together UN agencies, governments, international organisations, leading corporations, universities and research institutions to exchange insightful views as to the new trends of the global shipping industry, in order to facilitate the healthy and substantiable development of the international shipping and enhance the prosperity and development of the world economy and trade.

As one of the overseas partners, ICS chairman Esben Poulsson is one of the 6 senior advisors to the NBF (https://northbundforum.scimeeting.cn/en/web/index/11152_956068) and he will also send a congratulatory video to the NBF. In addition, upon invitation by ICS, Intercargo, Intertanko, WSC and IAPH have also confirmed to send their respective congratulatory videos to the NBF. ICS Secretary General Guy Platten will give a speech by way of video record at the NBF.

Apart from the above, the organisers of the NBF look to bring together ideas from all interested stakeholders and form the Shanghai Declaration with the them of Smoothing the Global Supply Chain. As a major achievement of the NBF, the Shanghai Declaration endeavours to call for coordinated actions to respond to the epidemic and promote the development of the global shipping industry in a smart, green and sustainable way.

ICS is one of the 6 co-initiators of the Shanghai Declaration, and the other 5 co-initiators are COSCO SHIPPING, China Eastern Airline, Shanghai Port Group, Shanghai Airport Group, and BIMCO. ICS has also invited Intercargo, Intertanko, WSC and IAPH to be the co-endorsers of the Shanghai Declaration. The other confirmed co-endorsers are IATA, MTCC-Asia, China Classification Society, China Shipowners Association, and China Port Association.

6. Hong Kong Maritime Week 2021

The signature maritime event in the region – the 5th edition of Hong Kong Maritime Week will be launched on 31 October 2021.

This year, the Hong Kong Maritime and Port Board, together with the co-organisers the Hong Kong Shipowners Association and the Hong Kong Maritime Museum, and the partners the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and InvestHK, will continue to join hands to cement Hong Kong's status as an international maritime centre. With over 30 activities in tow this year, ranging from forums and seminars, competitions, visits to game booths, etc., industry players and members of the public are warmly invited to join.

Visit <https://www.hkmw.hk/en/index.html> now for more information.

7. HKSAR Government publishes report on Hong Kong's business development

The Hong Kong SAR Government has published the Report on Hong Kong's Business Environment: A place with Unique Advantages and Unlimited Opportunities, which sets out why Hong Kong is a place with unique advantages and unlimited opportunities: [Hong Kong Economy - Hong Kong Business Environment \(hkeconomy.gov.hk\)](http://hkeconomy.gov.hk).

The report also quoted the latest international rankings of Hong Kong concerning economic freedom and competitiveness which have all along been well recognised by international institutions/.

Additionally, Hong Kong has been at the forefront of international rankings related to the rule of law and judicial independence since its return to China.

With the unique positioning provided by the National 14th Five-Year Plan and unlimited opportunities brought about by the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area development, Hong Kong will be given new impetus for economic development.

8. Hong Kong – connect to a Sea of Opportunities

The Hong Kong SAR Government has been committed to upholding Hong Kong's position as an international maritime centre. The 14th Five-Year Plan and the Outline Development Plan for the Greater Bay Area also support the development of high value-added maritime services in Hong Kong for better integration into the country's development course.

A new video which showcases the vibrant maritime cluster in Hong Kong is here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MIpbWG6uS3o>.

9. Keep updating the Chinese shipping community of the ICS events and international shipping developments

As continuous efforts in promoting the ICS' presence in China, the Office continues to publish press statements through the WeChat accounts of the Chinese shipping media.

- (1) 7 September 2021: International Chamber of Shipping sets out plans for global carbon levy to expedite industry decarbonisation

Beyond Shipping: <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/UYZJrcRNX0PkfeJzN9xgww>

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China Shipping Gazette: https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/Rwd0nPKX5_RE-P_TmmmzCw

China Maritime: <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/tTkHtmOsZRuvWZDewgKTwA>

- (2) 15 September 2021: ICS launches new guidance for seafarers and shipowners to navigate ongoing pandemic challenges

Beyond Shipping: <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/lqjvuVaaMuDkNGhawJzxdg>

Xinde Marine: <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/rGdyYJTzefHbPPrEEex1Bg>

- (3) 20 September 2021: Industry titans and foreign ministers among leading names announced for shipping's COP26 conference

Beyond Shipping: <https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/4PquOmFt9IIWtMdtDu9Myg>

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Best regards,

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