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Chris Trelawny joined the International Maritime Organization (IMO) in March 2003 as a maritime security specialist. In December 2011, he was appointed Senior Deputy Director and in November 2014 he was promoted to Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on Maritime Security and Facilitation. In August 2018 he was appointed to the new post of Chief, Sub-Division for Maritime Development within the International Maritime Organization's Technical Cooperation Division.

Chris is responsible for advising and liaising with IMO Member Governments, international organizations and non-governmental organizations on the development of the maritime sector including the facilitation of global maritime transport, underpinned by good maritime security; and promoting better maritime governance and interagency cooperation. His recent projects have included the development of multi-disciplinary, multi-agency projects aimed at finding regional solutions for piracy and maritime security challenges. These include the development of the "Djibouti Code of Conduct" (DCoC) (signed by 20 countries) aimed at addressing piracy and armed robbery against ships in the Gulf of Aden and western Indian Ocean, the "Yaounde Code of Conduct", a similar agreement for West and Central Africa, adopted by 25 countries in June 2013, and the and the Jeddah Amendment to the DCoC, 2017. Chris has also worked closely with navies on issues relating to maritime security operations, counter proliferation and civil/military cooperation; and with other agencies on issues such as security of the supply chain.

Before joining IMO, Chris spent six years with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) where he led on air cargo security and four years with the UK Government in aviation security roles, including the introduction of the UK air cargo security programme; and eight years with HM Customs largely at Heathrow but also at sea on HM Customs Cutters.

Chris served for 30 years as an officer in the Royal Naval Reserve. In 2014 he was awarded the UK's Merchant Navy Medal for his work on countering piracy and in 2016 he was awarded the United States International Police and Public Safety 9/11 Medal – Maritime for his work on maritime security.

Chris is married to Bernadette and has two daughters, Harriet and Catherine, and a golden retriever called Maple. They live in Windsor (but not in the Castle). He enjoys skiing, shooting, messing around in boats and plodding around marathons and half marathons, raising money for a range of charities.