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IMO'S GHG SMART TRAINING PROGRAMME - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) has issued <u>Circular Letter No. 4955</u>, calling for nominations for the 2025 round of the Sustainable Maritime Transport Training Programme (GHG SMART).

GHG-SMART is a dedicated project for small island developing states (SIDS) and least developing countries (LDCs) implemented by IMO and funded by the Republic of Korea. The project provides capacity-building support to SIDS and LDCs for the IMO GHG Strategy, to enable assessment of impacts and identification of national actions related to maritime decarbonization. To date, nearly 60 participants from 38 SIDS and LDCs have been trained as part of the GHG-SMART project.

Participating SIDS and LDCs can enormously benefit from this unique project, which comprises of needs-based tailored annual training cycles on relevant regulatory, policy, technological and financial aspects of maritime decarbonization for SIDS and LDCs. The GHG-SMART annual training programme offers the opportunity to participate in online training, in-person practical training, study visits in the Republic of Korea, as well as trainee-driven action plans.

Furthermore, to enable advanced learning and development opportunities for SIDS and LDCs, the project comprises of the GHG-SMART Recognition Scheme in collaboration with World Maritime University (WMU). The GHG-SMART Recognition Scheme awards full scholarships for a 14-month MSc. in Maritime Energy Management at WMU in Malmö, Sweden, to the two top-performing trainees of each year (one woman and one man).

GHG-SMART represents a forward-thinking initiative to build capacities of SIDS and LDCs to tackle urgent challenges and create a network of leaders and professionals. IMO strongly encourages eligible Member States to apply and take advantage of this exciting project.

Please click <u>here</u> for details on application process. The deadline for nominations is **Friday**, **14 February 2025**.



