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2013 IOPC Funds' Short Course

The Director is pleased to announce that the third annual IOPC Funds' Short Course will take place from Monday 11 to Friday 15 November 2013 in London.

As with the previous courses, the programme will cover all aspects of the work of the IOPC Funds and will include practical exercises involving a theoretical incident and the subsequent claims submission process. The course, which is supported by the International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO), the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), the International Group of P&I Associations, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation (ITOPF), will also offer participants the opportunity to understand the relationships and common objectives of all stakeholders which are particularly important in tanker incidents where the Civil Liability and Fund Conventions operate.

The Short Course has a maximum of ten places for self-funded participants. Nominations for participation should come directly from governments of 1992 Fund Member States and should be accompanied by the completed nomination form and the candidate's brief curriculum vitae. Although the Secretariat does not impose any specific background requirements, the course will clearly be most beneficial to candidates with an in-depth involvement and interest in the practical application of the 1992 Civil Liability and Fund Conventions. It is expected that Member States nominating a candidate will ensure that this is the case. Should the number of nominations received exceed availability, candidates will be selected by the Secretariat, taking into account a reasonable balance in geographic representation.

With regard to funding arrangements, course participants must be self-funded or supported by their nominating government so as to avoid any budgetary implications for the 1992 Fund.

The Secretariat regrets that it is unable to help successful candidates with obtaining entry visas to the United Kingdom. Successful applicants will, however, be issued with an official invitation to participate in the course from the IOPC Funds' Secretariat which may assist in obtaining a visa.

As the course will be given exclusively in English, it is expected that candidates will be fully conversant with the English language and be able to interact fluently in this language.

The deadline for the receipt of nominations is **Friday 28 June 2013** and it is anticipated that a selection decision will be made by mid-July. Nominations should be addressed to the Director of the IOPC Funds and sent via email to emer_padden@iopcfund.org. Please ensure that electronic submissions are appropriately endorsed by the nominating government.

A copy of the course outline (which may be subject to modification) and the nomination form is attached hereto.

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ANNEX I

IOPC Funds' Short Course
Monday 11 – Friday 15 November 2013

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Module	Topic
1	Introduction to the international oil pollution compensation regime (i) Historical development and scope of the Civil Liability Convention and Fund Conventions (<i>Torrey Canyon</i> and beyond) (ii) Protocols and changes to the Conventions over time
2	Oil fate, effects and response options and their influence (i) Sources and causes of oil pollution (the bigger picture and non ship-source spills) (ii) Environmental and economic effects of oil pollution (iii) Response to oil spills
3 3.1 3.2	P&I regime <i>International Group of P&I Associations</i> (i) Role of the International Group of P&I Associations (ii) Reinsurance, Lloyds etc <i>London-based International Group P&I Club</i> (i) Introduction to P&I and underwriting (concept of mutuality, Club cover, blue cards, etc) (ii) Role of correspondents (correspondents' network) and owners
4	International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation Ltd (ITOPF) – The work of surveyors and experts in the field (i) The role of experts such as ITOPF in the field (ii) Country profiles/national resources and capabilities
5	International Maritime Organization (IMO) (i) Role of IMO in shipping (ii) Other IMO Conventions related to pollution: MARPOL, OPRC, LLMC, Bunkers and HNS Conventions
6	International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) (i) Overview of role and work of ICS and national shipowner associations (ii) ICS perspective on policy issues relating to compensation regime/IOPC Funds' matters
7	International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO) (i) Overview of the role of INTERTANKO (ii) The tanker owners' perspective on pollution prevention
8	The Role of the Secretariat
9	Membership and contributions (i) Historical developments, global oil transport trends (ii) Administration of contributions (1) Timetable of events (contributors' letters, 'cash calls', reporting etc) (2) Calculations of levies, interest payments (3) Information requirements, forms, web-based reporting

10	<p>Claims handling and assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Scope of the Conventions and types of claim (ii) Admissibility and reasonableness: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Proof of loss – record keeping and supporting documentation (2) Claims for preventive measures (3) Property damage and economic loss claims (4) Claims for environmental damage and oil removal from wrecks (iii) Claims handling and assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Preparing and presenting a claim (2) Stages of the assessment process (field and office based components etc) (3) Local experts and joint claims offices (iv) Compensation in practice: Q&A on specific queries and settlement procedures
11	Discussion and wash-up

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2013 IOPC FUNDS' SHORT COURSE NOMINATION FORM

Nomination deadline: Friday 28 June 2013

Candidate details

Last name:	First name:	Title:
Job title:	Organisation:	
Contact address:	Postcode:	
	City:	
	State:	
	Country:	
Email:	Telephone (including country code):	
Briefly outline the reasons why the candidate is interested in participating in this course and how the candidate will benefit from this course:		

1992 Fund Member State – contact focal point

1992 Fund Member State:		
<i>We will use this contact as the primary point of contact for all communications regarding this nomination.</i>		
Last name:	First name:	Title:
Job title:	Organisation:	
Address:	Postcode:	
	City:	
	State:	
	Country:	
Email:	Telephone (including country code):	

Nomination information

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- Completed nomination form
- Official government nomination
- Candidate's Curriculum Vitae

Nominations to be received no later than **Friday 28 June 2013**. The selection process will take place in mid-July.

If you have any questions please contact Ms Emer Padden, External Relations & Conference Coordinator (emer_padden@iopcfund.org).
