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2018 IOPC Funds' Short Course

The Director is pleased to announce that the eighth annual IOPC Funds' Short Course will take place from Monday 25 June to Friday 29 June 2018 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 Short Course, which is supported by the International Maritime Organization (IMO), INTERTANKO, the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), the International Group of P&I Associations, 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 1992 Civil Liability and Fund Conventions operate.

The Short Course has a maximum of 10 places. 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, the Secretariat will select candidates taking into account their profile and a reasonable balance in geographic representation.

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

Short Course participants will be issued with an official invitation to the Course from the IOPC Funds' Secretariat. However, the Secretariat regrets that it is unable to help participants with obtaining entry visas to the United Kingdom.

As the Short Course will be delivered exclusively in English, it is expected that participants will be fully conversant with the English language and be able to interact fluently in this language.

The selection process for the Short Course is now open. Nominations should be addressed to the Director of the IOPC Funds and sent via e-mail to conference@iopcfunds.org. Please ensure that electronic submissions are appropriately endorsed by the nominating government. Nominations will be acknowledged upon receipt

by the Secretariat. The deadline for the receipt of nominations is Monday 16 April 2018 and it is anticipated that a selection decision will be made shortly after that. The Director encourages all interested parties to submit official nominations as soon as possible to allow sufficient time for the selected candidates to make their travel and accommodation arrangements.

A copy of the course outline (which may be subject to modification) is attached hereto. The nomination form, which is also attached, can be downloaded from <http://www.iopcfunds.org/about-us/what-we-do/external-relations> and completed electronically.

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ANNEX

IOPC FUNDS' SHORT COURSE

Monday 25 June—Friday 29 June 2018

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Module	Topic
1	<p>Introduction to the international oil pollution liability and compensation regime</p> <p>(i) Historical development and scope of the Civil Liability Convention and Fund Conventions (<i>Torrey Canyon</i> and beyond)</p> <p>(ii) Protocols and changes to the Conventions over time</p>
2	<p>Oil fate, effects and response options and their influence</p> <p>(i) Tankers—design and operational issues</p> <p>(ii) Fate of oil at sea</p> <p>Incidents which have shaped the international liability and compensation regime</p> <p>(i) How to handle a major spill: <i>Hebei Spirit</i> case study</p> <p>(ii) Legal issues—practical considerations</p>
3	<p>P&I regime</p> <p><i>International Group of P&I Associations</i></p> <p>(i) Role of the International Group of P&I Associations</p> <p>(ii) Reinsurance, Lloyds etc.</p> <p><i>London-based International Group P&I Club</i></p> <p>(i) Introduction to P&I and underwriting (concept of mutuality, Club cover, blue cards, etc.)</p> <p>(ii) Role of correspondents (correspondents' network) and owners</p>
4	<p>International Tanker Owners Pollution Federation (ITOPF)—The work of surveyors and experts in the field</p> <p>(i) The role of experts such as ITOPF in the field</p> <p>(ii) Country profiles/national resources and capabilities</p>
5	<p>International Maritime Organization (IMO)</p> <p>(i) Role of IMO in shipping</p> <p>(ii) Other IMO Conventions related to pollution: MARPOL, OPRC, LLMC, Bunkers and HNS Conventions</p>

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 the compensation regime/IOPC Funds' matters
7	INTERTANKO (i) Overview of the role of INTERTANKO (ii) The tanker owners' perspective on pollution prevention
8	The Role of the IOPC Funds' Secretariat Membership and contributions (i) Historical developments, global oil transport trends (ii) Implementation of the Conventions into national law (iii) Oil reporting (iv) Administration of contributions
9	Claims handling and assessment (i) Types of claims (ii) Admissibility and reasonableness (iii) Preparing and presenting a claim
10	Compensation in practice Clean Seas Exercise
11	Discussion and wash-up

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International Oil Pollution
Compensation Funds

Fonds internationaux
d'indemnisation pour les
dommages dus à la pollution
par les hydrocarbures

Fondos internacionales
de indemnización de daños
debidos a contaminación por
hidrocarburos

2018 IOPC FUNDS' SHORT COURSE NOMINATION FORM

Candidate details

Last name:	First name:	Title:
Job title:	Organisation:	
Contact address:	Post code:	
	City:	
	State:	
	Country:	
E-mail:	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:	Post code:	
	City:	
	State:	
	Country:	
E-mail:	Telephone (including country code):	

Nomination information

Nominations should be addressed to the Director of the IOPC Funds and sent via e-mail to conference@iopcfunds.org. Please ensure that all of the following documents are provided in the nomination:

- Completed nomination form
- Official government nomination
- Candidate's curriculum vitae

The application process for the Short Course is now open. Nominations will be acknowledged upon receipt by the Secretariat and it is anticipated that a selection decision will be made by early May. Candidates will be informed as soon as possible thereafter whether or not they have been accepted onto the Course. Please note that nominations received after **16 April 2018** will not be taken into consideration.

If you have any questions please contact the External Relations and Conference Department (conference@iopcfunds.org).
