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## 2025 Induction Course for States and international organisations holding observer status with the IOPC Funds

The Director has the pleasure to announce that the IOPC Funds will hold an Induction Course for States and international organisations holding observer status with the IOPC Funds. The course will take place in person on **Monday, 28 April 2025**, from 13.30 to 17.30, at the Funds' headquarters in London.

The 2025 Induction Course is open to all interested delegates from observer States and Intergovernmental and Non-Governmental organisations; however, it is designed in particular to benefit those who are either new to the IOPC Funds or have little prior knowledge of the organisations. The programme (detailed overleaf) will include an introduction to the organisation and will explain what to expect as a delegate to IOPC Funds' meetings.

For observer States, the opportunity will be taken to discuss the steps to be taken to join the 1992 Fund, including the practical implementation of the Conventions. It will also explain the various outreach and training activities available to support States in that process.

For observer organisations, time will be spent discussing the ways in which the IOPC Funds cooperate and engage with fellow organisations and how organisations can actively contribute to the work of the IOPC Funds and to the success of the international liability and compensation regime.

The half-day course will commence at 13.30 with registration and a welcome coffee, giving participants the opportunity to meet the Secretariat in an informal setting before the start of the event.

As the course will be delivered exclusively in English, it is expected that participants are fully conversant in English. The full programme can be found overleaf.

Delegates interested in participating in the Induction Course are kindly requested to register online by Monday, 7 April 2025.

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, therefore delegates are advised to register early. Observer States and organisations may nominate more than one participant to attend however if there is a high level of demand places may need to be restricted.

The annual induction course for delegates of 1992 Fund Member States is expected to take place in advance of the October 2025 sessions of the governing bodies as usual. A circular will be issued nearer the time.

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## **IOPC FUNDS' OBSERVER INDUCTION COURSE 2025**

## **Course programme**

Monday, 28 April 2025			
Time	Activity		
13:30	Coffee and Registration		
14:00	Welcome from the Director General overview of the IOPC Funds, including the legal framework and structure of the organisation and the practical functioning of the IOPC Funds An introduction to the Secretariat, the various roles and responsibilities of an IOPC Funds' delegate and how we work together Attending the meetings - What to expect as a delegate and how to prepare		
15:00	Coffee Break		
15:15	OBSERVER STATES  Steps to joining the 1992 Fund Implementation of the Conventions into national law Outreach and training activities	OBSERVER ORGANISATIONS  Working with the Secretariat and contributing to the work of the organisation The observer review explained – maintaining observer status	
	Tools and support available to delegates		
17:00	Latest developments at the IOPC Funds and hot topics for the meeting week ahead Open session with the participants – Q&A		
17:30	End		

Please note that this programme may be subject to modification.

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