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SEAFARERS:
AT THE CORE OF
SHIPPING'S FUTURE



World Maritime Day

Theme: "*Seafarers: at the core of shipping's future.*"

Virtual Event hosted by Maritime Agencies in Belize

Platform: Zoom Link

Date: Thursday, 30 September, 2021 Time: 10:00AM

Agenda:

NATIONAL ANTHEM

OPENING PRAYER:

Marciana Mckoy, Accountant (Belize Port Authority)

WELCOME: HONOURABLE RODWELL FERGUSON
MINISTER, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES & LOGISTICS

Impact of COVID-19 on Shipping and Belize's Maritime Industry

Ms. Annette Garel, Senior Deputy Registrar (IMMARBE)

Port Development and Charting the Way Forward

Highlights:

Draft National Port Policy

Revision of the Belize Port Authority's Acts

Major (Ret'd) Gilbert Swaso, Ports Commissioner (Belize Port Authority)

COVID 19 Pandemic and Effects on Seafarers:

-Making Voices of Seafarers Heard Insights: Seafarers views on their work and the future of shipping
Captain Elton Bennett, Commandant, Belize Coast Guard

Overview of Maritime Administrations:

- Belize Port Authority
- International Merchant Marine Registry of Belize (IMMARBE)
- Belize Coast Guard

International Maritime Organization (IMO) Secretary General's Video Message: World Maritime Day 2021

Mr. Kitack Lim, Secretary General, IMO

Remarks from the President of Women in Maritime Association, Caribbean (WiMAC)

Ms. Dwynette Eversley – President, WiMAC

IMO's Initiative for World Maritime Day and each year after:

Lighting Ceremony of Maritime Buildings, Maritime Ports, Ship and Maritime Landmarks

Maritime Trivia/Giveaways – Maritime Committee Members

Closing Remarks

-Video footage from maritime agencies displaying their support towards WMD