## "The 1<sup>st</sup> World Marine Aids to Navigation Day" ~ Exhibition of the "Lighthouses of the World" ~

Japan Coast Guard started to hold the photo exhibition of the "Lighthouses of the world" on 1 July 2019 in order to celebrate the first World Marine Aids to Navigation Day.

The photos of the world lighthouses kindly made available to JCG from IALA Councilors as well as Japanese lighthouses (23 lighthouses from 17 countries including Japan) were exhibited at JCG Headquarters building in Tokyo.

JCG staff members engaged in the preparation work were so happy to find a number of excellent lighthouse photos received from IALA at their laptops. The Commandant of JCG and the Director General of JCG Maritime Traffic Department (IALA Councilor) visited the exhibition hall and enjoyed to see the beautiful photos with great interests.

The exhibition is planned to continue until 12<sup>th</sup> July. After the exhibition completion, these photo panels are to be relocated to the corridor walls of the government building and will continue to be displayed.

JCG is also holding another event, in which the time-limited Special Postcards are presented to the first 200 visitors to the 5 prominent lighthouses having International Light Numbers during 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

We hope to take these opportunities to appeal to emphasize the vital roles of marine Aids to Navigation in ensuring the safety and efficiency of navigation and promote greater awareness of marine safety in the public







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