

## KOREA – The 3<sup>rd</sup> World Marine AtoN Day Celebration and International Aids to Navigation Forum

The Ministry of Oceans and Fisheries of Republic of Korea celebrated the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Marine Aids to Navigation Day in the presence of the Vice Minister EOM Ki-doo at Sheraton Grand Incheon Hotel, and Korea Institute of Aids to Navigation held the Aids to Navigation Forum at Songdo Convensia on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021 Incheon City, Korea.

The Secretary-General Kitak LIM of IMO, the Secretary-General Francis ZACHARIAE of IALA and a member of the National Assembly, SungKyu Maeng sent a congratulatory video message for the AtoN Day ceremony. The honored guests as well as AtoN professionals participated in the event hall offline.

The celebration included official commendations from the Minister and the grand prize award-winning work screening of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Lighthouse Tour Video and Photograph Contest. Also appreciation plaque was delivered to 8240 KLO(Korean Liaison Office) Unit Association for expressing gratitude to its support to designate Palmido Lighthouse as National Historical Site.

The Vice Minister gave a commemorative address, “It is my pleasure to hold the 3<sup>rd</sup> World Marine Aids to Navigation Day in Incheon. The day is celebrated from 3 years ago in IALA Conference to publicize the worth of Aids to Navigation including lighthouse and to succeed its history. MOF will strive to conserve and make a use of the historical lighthouse properly, and also create the maritime environment where the people can enjoy”

The Aids to Navigation Forum on 2 subjects, ①the lighthouse for the source of culture and tourism, ②the activation of the international cooperation for Aids to Navigation. The forum shared the idea for the development, conservation and use of Aids to Navigation and built a network for the use of the lighthouse as cultural and tourism resources. It suggests a new paradigm of Aids to Navigation to activate the international cooperation with the latest information and strategy.



The whole view of AtoN Day Ceremony



Commemorative Address by the Vice Minister of Oceans and Fisheries



Congratulatory Remarks by IMO SG



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Official Commendation from the Minister



Appreciation Plaque to 8240°KLO(Korean Liaison Office) Unit Associatio



The Aids to Navigation Forum