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Report of ICG on the Review of Model Course V-103/1 (VTSO) (task 3.3.1b)

# Summary

The IALA VTS Committee has been tasked with a full review of all IALA VTS training related documentation. This involves the detailed review of each of the IALA VTS Model Courses, starting with V-103/1 – VTS Operator Training. Since VTS50 significant progress was made on the task during intersessional work.

## Purpose of the document

To brief the participants of VTS51 on the progress that was made on task 3.3.1b – Review of IALA Model Course V-103/1, VTS Operator Training.

## Related documents

VTS51-11.3.3.1 Draft Revision of Model Course V-103/1-VTSO (as input to ICG-07, 8 Sept. 2021)

VTS51-11.3.3.2 Revised Front Section – V-103/1 (post ICG-07 review 8 Sept. 2021)

VTS51-11.3.3.3 Revised Module 1 – V-103/1 (post ICG-07 review 8 Sept.2021)

# Background and discussion

At the closing of VTS 50 Committee Participants were invited to join the intersessional group working on the development of the Guideline on the management of VTS. The intersessional group met 4 times during online meetings on:

* 21 April 2021, 1000-1130 UTC
* 19 May 2021, 1000-1130 UTC
* 9 June 2021, 1000-1130 UTC
* 8 Sept 2021, 1000-1130 UTC

The review initially focused on the content of the competence tables, which was completed during the 9 June 2021 meeting. In addition, based on input received for structural changes to the document, a revised version of the initial section of the document was carried and reviewed at the 8 Sept. 2021 meeting. This included a review of the proposed revised competence table format, which was updated to reflect that amended content.

The work noted the fact that the curriculum within the Model Course has been subject to many years of development, and the group had decided in the initial stages of the review that the most suitable approach was to use the current version as the basis for development. As agreed, the process focused on what content to add, review or remove. In addition, the training program will continue to be aimed at the ‘ab initio’ level, focusing on the outcomes required to perform the role of the VTSO. The document references the work done on recognition of prior learning (IALA Guideline 1017 – Assessment for recognition of prior learning in VTS training, Ed. 2.0, June 2021).

Following the detailed review of the competence tables, the following items are being considered:

* Verifying the competence levels
* Reviewing the proposed hours for each element
* Confirming the level of guidance to training organisations and instructors is appropriate

The work on the review of V-103/1 will continue at VTS51. The completion of the document will depend on the status reached during VTS51.

In addition, it is anticipated that the review of V-103/3 – On The Job Training – will commence at VTS 51. This review will need to reflect the V-103/1 training to ensure a continuum of training for the candidate VTSO – noting the close link between the generic (V-103/1) training and the OJT (V-103/3) training.

# Action requested of the Committee

The Committee is requested to:

1. Note the draft revision of IALA Model Course V-103/1 as a working document to be progressed and, if possible, finalised during VTS51.

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