

THE 1ST CARIBBEAN REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE PARTNERSHIP WORKSHOP ON MARITIME TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES
Kingston, Jamaica, 20 - 24 January

Contribution to the IHO Work Programme 2020	
Task 1.1.15	Maintain relationships with other international and observer organizations when their agendas have relevance to the programme of the IHO.

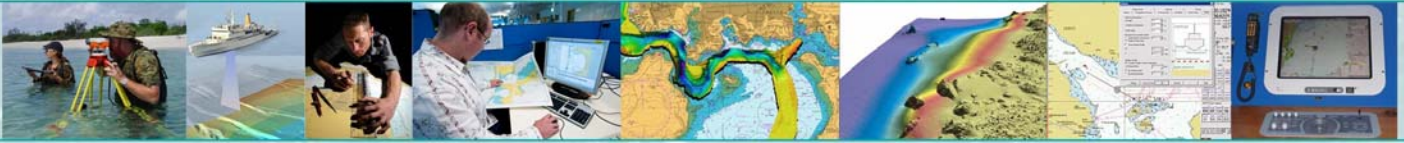
The International Maritime Organization (IMO), jointly with the Maritime Authority of Jamaica (MAJ) organized the First Caribbean Regional Knowledge Partnership Workshop (KPW) on maritime technical cooperation activities, from 20 to 24 January 2020 in Kingston, Jamaica.

The aim of the Knowledge Partnership Workshop was to develop knowledge partnership mechanisms for development cooperation activities in the maritime field and to seek possible cooperation opportunities.

The workshop was also expected to provide a platform:

- for donors to identify the needs and demands of recipients,
- for recipients to have better access to the various resources available to address their needs,
- to improve the understanding of each other's mechanisms of operation, and
- to build an enhanced network of knowledge partnerships and communication.

The Workshop was attended by more than 60 participants from 16 Caribbean States (Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Curacao, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Saint Maarten, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago) as well as representatives from the International Organizations (Association of Caribbean States-ACS, *BaseI* Convention Regional Centre-BCRC Caribbean, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean-ECLAC, International Association of Marine Aids to Navigation and Lighthouse Authorities-IALA, , International Maritime Organization-IMO,) and Funding Institutions (Caribbean Development Bank-CDB, Inter-American Development Bank-IDB). The IMO, IHO and IALA were represented at the Workshop under the “United Nation’s Delivering as One” concept. Director Mustafa Iptes represented the IHO.



Participants at the 1st Caribbean Regional Knowledge Partnership Workshop

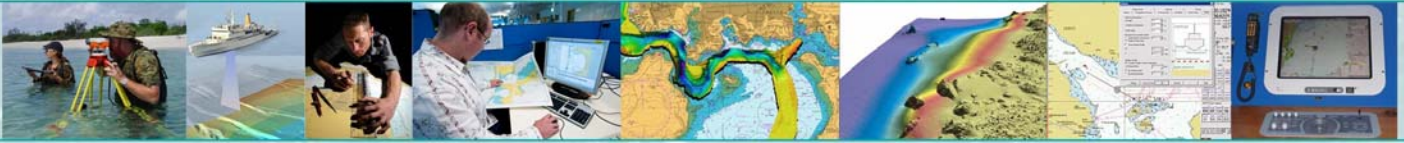
Director Iptes contributed to the workshop agenda during the discussions and also delivered a presentation in the workshop on:

- Introduction of the IHO's role and activities,
- The status of Hydrography and capacity building activities in the Caribbean Region,
- The challenges, requirements and proposals to support the maritime navigation in Caribbean.



Director Iptes delivering his presentation

At the end of the workshop, break-out groups considered the outcome of the workshop and presented their proposals for the way forward. The workshop was considered beneficial and effective for the Coastal States in the Greater Caribbean region to improve their network, communication and partnership and also generated new funding opportunities for regional



maritime projects. The report of the workshop will be presented to the 70th Session of the IMO Technical Cooperation Committee (TCC) to be held in June in London.

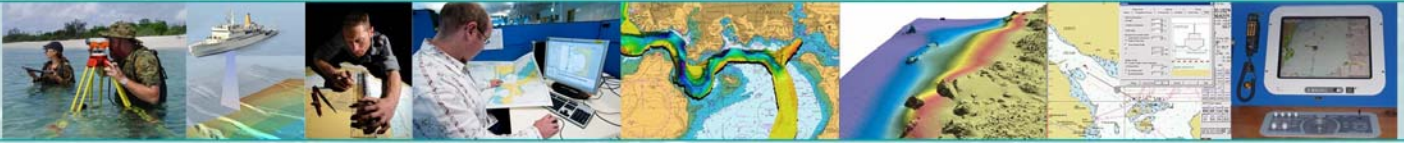
Taking the opportunity of being in Kingston, Director Iptes visited the National Land Agency (NLA) of Jamaica, Surveys & Mapping Division and its Hydrographic Section. He made an office call to Dr Glendon Newsome, Senior Director of Surveys & Mapping Division and Mr Calvin Thomson, Manager of Hydrographic Section. During his visit, Director Iptes provided information on current IHO activities and invited Jamaican partners to the next IHO Assembly to be held in April in Monaco.



Director Iptes presents the IHO Crest to Dr Glendon Newsome, Senior Director, Surveys & Mapping, Jamaica



Director Iptes and Jamaican Surveys & Mapping Team



During the margins of the Workshop, Director Iptes also took the opportunity to contact Senior Maritime Administrators of Caribbean States and provided information regarding the benefits of IHO membership and invited them to join the IHO as a full member.