

**Dear Members,**

The Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) and the General Insurance Association of (GIA) are jointly holding the upcoming seminar, **Understanding Piracy** on **16 July 2009**, from 2.00pm to 5.00pm, at the Capital Tower. The talks come to you as part of the Maritime Knowledge Shipping Sessions, a series of seminars where maritime experts are invited to present insights about their specialisations to heighten the maritime knowledge of our insurance professionals and the maritime community.

The seminar is free-of-charge. Pre-registration on the registration form attached is required by **10 July 2009**. Please see details of seminar below.

We hope that you will be able to encourage your staff and partners to attend what promises to be an enriching event.

Mark Lim  
Executive Director  
General Insurance Association of Singapore



**Series 03/ Session 10**  
**Maritime Knowledge Shipping Sessions**

## **Understanding Piracy**

*Perspectives and insights from the International Ship Classification (ISC) and ReCAAP*

**DATE : 16 July 2009, Thursday**

**TIME : 2pm to 6pm**

**VENUE: STI Auditorium, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor Capital Tower, 168 Robinson Road, Singapore 06812**

**GUEST SPEAKERS:**

**Ltc (Retd) Nicholas Teo B.C.**  
Deputy Director, ReCAAP ISC

**Mr Adrian Sutcliffe**  
Senior Consultant and Risk Assessor  
International Ship Classification (IS Class)



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A MARITIME KNOWLEDGE SHIPPING SESSION

# UNDERSTANDING PIRACY

**SPEAKERS**  
**LTC (RETD) NICHOLAS TEO B.G.**  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR, RECAAP ISC.

**MR ADRIAN SUTCLIFFE**  
SENIOR CONSULTANT & RISK ASSESSOR,  
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**DATE & TIME**  
16 JULY 2009, THURSDAY, 2PM - 5.30PM

**VENUE**  
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9<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR,  
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168 ROBINSON ROAD,  
SINGAPORE 068912

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## **ABOUT THE SEMINAR**

Find out all about intricacies and complexities of piracy as our maritime speakers share their wealth of knowledge on this topic at this seminar.

The first speaker, Deputy Director of ReCAAP, LTC (RETD) Nicholas Teo will give participants an in-depth understanding of the macro-view of piracy, the latest policies to combat this challenge and share useful tips about best practices, trends and analyses on the types of vessels that are likely targets of the pirates.

The second speaker, Mr Adrian Sutcliffe, Senior Consultant and Risk Assessor of International Ship Classification (IS Class) ISC will focus on the real-life cases that he has handled pertaining to piracy in Somalia and unique examples that would be of interest to marine insurance practitioners. He will also share tips about how ships can best protect themselves against piracy.

Don't miss this absorbing "crash" course that promises to unveil some of the common misconceptions of piracy and give all participants a better understanding of the topic, *Piracy*. There will also be a Question and Answer Session where participants can interact with our speakers and raise any burning questions.

***Presented by the Singapore Maritime Foundation and General Insurance Association of Singapore***  
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## **ABOUT THE SPEAKERS:**



**LTC (Retd) NICHOLAS TEO B.G.** is the Deputy Director of ReCAAP ISC and assists the Executive Director in the management and operation of the centre. He was instrumental in leading the core team to set up the ReCAAP ISC in Singapore before assuming his role in November 2006.

LTC (Retd) Teo was previously a Naval Officer with the Republic of Singapore Navy for 29 years where he held various shore and shipboard appointments including the Head of an Operations Centre, Commanding Officer of a Strike Ship, and Squadron Commander, before retiring as the Formation Operations Officer of the Coastal Command. His career in the Navy not only gave him opportunities to interact professionally at the international level, but also the experience in crisis management of several major incidents.

## Synopsis

LTC (Retd) Teo will give participants a better understanding of the term, piracy and insights into some of the latest developments piracy-related issues in the global maritime scene, and advise on what mariners can do to alleviate the piracy problem. Join us in this session as LTC (Retd) Teo reveals the answers and share some useful measures to adopt to avoid being attacked by pirates, including some real-life case studies.

He will share key highlights of the ReCAAP programme, commonly known as the Asian Initiative, which was established on 4 September 2006. Formulated under three pillars of Information Sharing, Capacity Building and Cooperative Arrangement, this initiative has received very positive feedback from international maritime players and has become a role model for others to emulate.

With the escalating situation in the Horn of Africa, its framework has been used to structure the Djibouti Code of Conduct. The Centre, in collaboration with the IMO, is assisting in the development of the Djibouti Code of Conduct.

- Background of the Asian Initiative
- Scope of the agreement
- The Focal point concept
- Research methodology
- Trends and Patterns for 2008 – 2009 March
- Development in the Horn of Africa



**MR ADRIAN SUTCLIFFE** is the Senior Consultant and Risk Assessor for International Ship Classification (IS Class) as well as an ISPS code senior auditor carrying out security audits for various flags.

Known as 'Sooty', he has had a wide and varied career within the security environment over the last 29 years.' Sooty' served in the Royal Marines for 16 years dealing with maritime security operations. After his military stint, he proceeded to the Middle East as a government advisor to impart his knowledge on the protection and recovery of assets, focusing on the oil and gas sector while working with other shipping-related industries.

After 13 years in the Middle East, he left the government sector and was sub-contracted to Lloyds Register of Shipping where his main task was to educate them and implement the International Maritime Organisation's International Ship and Port Facility Code. In Lloyd's Register, 'Sooty' conducts in-house training and courses for the crew and the management from the ship and company. In addition, he conducts assessments and develops plans as required by the International Ship and Port Facility Security Code.

'Sooty' has done extensive work on FSO, FPSO, FDPSO etc in locations as far as South America and Africa. He has also developed a crew training DVD for ISPS and a Vessel Background Search which is currently utilised by charterers to review security issues.

'Sooty' also works for underwriters and loss adjusters. His area of operations includes Asia and he provides surveys and investigation both land and at sea, especially on supply chain investigations.

He is vastly experienced in boarding all types of vessels and has a clear understanding of the modus operandi of the pirates. Recently, he has just successfully transited through the Gulf of Aden.

At the moment, 'Sooty' is doing consultancy for clients from Africa, Middle East and Asia.

### **Synopsis**

Piracy has existed for many centuries and it is still a prevalent problem in certain parts of the world. It has turned into a bleak situation compared to what is portrayed in the movies and novels. "Pirates of Caribbean" are non-existent and what has replaced this romanticized version of piracy is a corporate business unguided by any conscience or law. It is such a lucrative business, that the pirates from Somalia, who resorted to piracy at first because of the political turmoil and the hardship in the country, have transformed piracy into a million dollar money-making venture. Piracy attacks in the region have increased to a unprecedented level that they have prompted various nations from Europe, America and Asia to send their naval task force to police the area to help curb piracy and also to ensure a safe passage for ships of different nationality to transit. Despite the presence of the naval task forces in the region, piracy attacks are still prevalent.

Mr Adrian Sutcliffe's presentation seeks to educate ship owners, their management on the importance of taking precautionary and security measures to ensure that their ships will not be a 'soft target' for the pirates to prey on. Ship owners and their management will also get a glimpse on the know-how on fortifying and retro-fitting their ships. Through his presentation, they will acquire the knowledge on how to fend off attacks from the pirates to safeguard not only their business interest but also lives on board. So seafarers can look forward to the day when they will be able to reunite with their families and loved ones after a long and arduous voyage.