

Marine Department and Hong Kong Shipowners Association host “2025 Joint Luncheon cum Award Presentation Ceremony”

The Marine Department (MD) and the Hong Kong Shipowners Association (HKSOA) jointly hosted the “2025 Joint Luncheon cum Award Presentation Ceremony” today (August 29). The event was organised to express appreciation for the support of shipowners and shipping companies and to promote the services of the Hong Kong Shipping Registry (HCSR) and HKSOA. The Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Ms Mable Chan, officiated and delivered a keynote speech at the event.

Today’s luncheon was one of the major annual events in the maritime industry in Hong Kong. Approximately 200 representatives from the maritime sector and distinguished guests attended the event.

Ms Mable Chan; the Acting Director of Marine, Ms Lydia Lam; Chairman of HKSOA, Mr. Angad Banga, and other government officials presented a list of awards to winning shipping companies in recognition of their outstanding performances in the pursuit of high quality Hong Kong-registered ships, their achievement of attaining high ratings under the international standards on decarbonisation formulated by the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the bravery of the masters and crew on the high seas and shipping companies’ support in nurturing young maritime talents in Hong Kong over the past year.

It is worth noting that this year marks the 35th anniversary of the establishment of HCSR. To commemorate this milestone, a special award recognising longstanding partnership was presented to honour companies that have consistently supported Hong Kong Flag since its inception.

In addition, this year, Hong Kong-registered ships received IMO’s commendations for the first time in recognition of their exceptional bravery in rescuing seafarers and mixed migrants at sea. During the luncheon, Ms Mable Chan, representing the Hong Kong flag administration, presented these commendations to the two award-winning companies. This annual IMO award, established in 2007, recognises crew who perform acts of exceptional bravery at the risk of losing their own life, displaying outstanding courage in attempting to save lives at sea or to prevent or mitigate damage to the marine environment.



[Event photo 1: *The Secretary of Transport and Logistics, Ms Mable CHAN, delivered a keynote speech at the “2025 Joint Luncheon cum Award Presentation Ceremony”.*]



[Event photo 2: *The Secretary of Transport and Logistics, Ms Mable CHAN (sixth left); the Acting Director of Marine, Ms Lydia LAM (sixth right); the Chairman of Hong Kong Shipowners Association, Mr Angad Banga (fourth left); the Chairman of Hong Kong Maritime and Port Development Board, Dr Moses CHENG (fifth left); the Deputy Director of Marine, Mr Shi Qiang (first left); the Principal Assistant Secretary for Transport and Logistics, Ms Polly CHONG (first right); the Managing Director of Hong Kong Shipowners Association, Ms Sandy Chan (third right); pictured with Legislative Council Members and the newly established Hong Kong Maritime and Port Development Board Members.*]



[Event photo 3: *The Marine Department and the Hong Kong Shipowners Association jointly organised the “2025 Joint Luncheon cum Award Presentation Ceremony”. Approximately 200 representatives from the maritime sector and distinguished guests attended.*]

The list of awardees is as follows (**in alphabetical order**):

IMO Letter of Commendation for the 2025 IMO Honours for Exceptional Bravery at Sea

- Amoysailing Maritime Co., Ltd, on behalf of all the crew members of MV AMOY CENTURY

IMO Certificate for Special Recognition for Merchant Vessels and their Crew Involved in the Rescue of Mixed Migrants at Sea

- Maersk A/S, on behalf of all the crew members of MV NEXOE MAERSK
- Maersk A/S, on behalf of all the crew members of MV NYSTED MAERSK

Award for the shipowner with the highest gross tonnage (GT) on the HKSR in 2024

- China COSCO Shipping Corporation Limited

Award for the shipowner placing the most GT on the HKSR in 2024

- Seaspan Corporation

HKSR 35th Anniversary Longstanding Partnership Award

- Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement (HONG KONG) Limited
- Chellaram Shipping (Hong Kong) Limited
- Orient Overseas Container Line Limited
- Swire Shipping Pte. Ltd.
- Valles Steamship Co. Ltd.

Award for outstanding performance in Port State Control (PSC) for the year of 2024

- Anglo-Eastern Ship Management Limited
- China Development Bank (CDB)
- COSCO Shipping Bulk Co., Ltd.
- DHT Holdings Inc
- Financial Partners Group Co
- Fleet Management Limited
- Hong Kong Ming Wah Ship Management Company Limited
- Maersk A/S
- Orient Overseas Container Line Ltd.
- Pacific Basin Shipping (HK) Limited

- Seaspan Ship Management Ltd.
- Shanghai Ocean Shipping Co., Ltd.
- SITC Shipping Management (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
- Wah Kwong Ship Management (Hong Kong) Limited
- Yangtze Navigation (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.

Green Fleet Award in 2024

- Pacific Basin Shipping (HK) Limited
- Seaspan Ship Management Ltd.
- SITC Shipping Management (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
- Swire Shipping Pte. Ltd.

Award for Bravery for the year of 2024

- Golden Top Shipping Co., Ltd., on behalf of all the crew members of MV GEORGINA HOPE
- Maersk A/S, on behalf of all the crew members of MV NYSTED MAERSK
- Seaspan Ship Management Ltd., on behalf of all the crew members of MV RIO GRANDE EXPRESS

Award for Company Recruiting the Most Hong Kong Sea-going Cadets in 2024

- Orient Overseas Container Line Ltd.
- Pacific Basin Shipping (HK) Limited

Ends/Friday, August 29, 2025



Amoysailing Maritime Co., Ltd
receives the Letter of Commendation for the 2025
IMO Honours for Exceptional Bravery at Sea



Maersk A/S
receives the two Certificates for Special
Recognition for Merchant Vessels and their Crew
Involved in the Rescue of Mixed Migrants at Sea



China COSCO Shipping Corporation Limited
receives the award for the shipowner with the
highest GT on the HCSR in 2024



Seaspan Corporation
receives the award for the shipowner placing the
most GT on the HCSR in 2024



Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement (HONG
KONG) Limited receives the HCSR 35th
Anniversary Longstanding Partnership Award



Chellaram Shipping (Hong Kong) Limited
receives the HCSR 35th Anniversary
Longstanding Partnership Award

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Longstanding Partnership Award

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Valles Steamship Co. Ltd.
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Anglo-Eastern Ship Management Limited
receives an award for outstanding
performance in PSC for the year of 2024

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China Development Bank (CDB)
receives an award for outstanding
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COSCO Shipping Bulk Co., Ltd.
receives an award for outstanding
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Fleet Management Limited
receives an award for outstanding
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Hong Kong Ming Wah
Ship Management Company Limited
receives an award for outstanding
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Maersk A/S
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Pacific Basin Shipping (HK) Limited
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Seaspan Ship Management Ltd.
receives an award for outstanding
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Shanghai Ocean Shipping Co., Ltd.
receives an award for outstanding
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SITC Shipping Management (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.
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Wah Kwong Ship Management (Hong Kong)
Limited receives an award for outstanding
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Yangtze Navigation (Hong Kong) Co., Ltd.
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