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Maritime Services Division Roles and Functions

- MSD is a specialized executive arm of the MOWT established to administer the provisions of the Shipping Act and other national maritime legislation
- Implement regulatory functions embodied in the legislation
- Vital functions are those intended to ensure
 - Safety and security of life at sea;
 - Safety of Navigation; and
 - Protection of the marine environment from ship-generated pollution





Maritime Services Division and IMO

- Trinidad and Tobago has been an IMO member state since 1965
- MSD is the technical focal point for all IMO matters
- Acts as implementation, monitoring and compliance authority for the State's obligation to international maritime instruments:
 - Conventions, codes, protocols, guidelines and special projects/consultancies
- T&T acceded to MARPOL Annex VI in September 7, 2012
- T&T shall endeavour to give full and complete effect to provisions of Annex VI
- Drafting instructions have been sent to the Attorney General to incorporate Annex VI into our proposed Marine Pollution Bill, currently a work in progress





MSD Endorsement to UTT

- With Due Diligence MSD endorsed UTT Maritime Studies Chaguaramas Campus as a Host Institution for the Maritime Technology Cooperation Centre for the IMO-EU Project “Capacity Building for Climate Mitigation in the Maritime Shipping Industry” in May 2016
- UTT possesses the competence, capability and existing technical resources (training facilities, labs, engine room/bridge simulators) for delivery of national and regional capacity building activities for port and maritime administrations associated with the project
- UTT’s role as a tertiary maritime training institution in the Caribbean places it in an advantageous position for networking, cooperation, stakeholder mobilization, information dissemination and effective capacity building as an MTCC





Role of MSD in MTCC Project

- Further to endorsement of UTT, the Maritime Administration shall:
 - Act as a point of contact and serve as an intermediary in critical communications between IMO and UTT
- Be kept abreast of critical developments in the status of the project
- Continue to keep Government informed to maintain relevant national political support
- Facilitate technical and in-kind support for the project
- Facilitate UTT's coordination efforts with relevant national and regional stakeholders through Government endorsement as the national maritime focal point





MSD Participation in the MTCC Project

- Participate in National and Regional Capacity Building Workshops
- Facilitate the gathering and collection of data from local and foreign vessels or relevant stakeholders (e.g. Ports, Shipping Association) to feed into MTCC pilot projects
- Implement recommendations in accordance with Annex VI and mandate of MTCC Project
- Inform shipping community and maritime stakeholders of reporting requirements, data collection mechanisms and ship energy efficient technologies associated with the project





Expectations of Regional Maritime Administrations

Further to regional administrations pledging their support in writing to the UTT being the MTCC, they are expected to:

- Participate in the MTCC's efforts to deliver regional capacity building activities
- Transfer and promote latest knowledge on policies, strategies and measures for reduction of GHG emissions in the industry
- Promote the uptake of low carbon technologies and facilitate pilot scale voluntary data collection exercises in home administrations
- Share results, experiences and lessons learnt throughout the process and beyond the project time line.





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Beyond the MTCC



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