

From the Director

The Bangladesh Supreme Court's order on 22nd August 2010 on the pre-cleaning of dead ships specific requires now that all vessels to be imported for breaking have to be decontaminated at source and outside the territory of Bangladesh. Pre-cleaning certificates must be produced by the authorized agents of the exporting state.

As a result of the first court order in May 2010 the import of ships has come to a stand still. However these ships are not gone and it is being reported that they are diverted to Alang. There is an enormous pressure on the authorities to ensure that shipbreaking can continue, and also new "green" initiatives are being reported. Well known Doubren Mulder / Greendock has opened an office in Chittagong.

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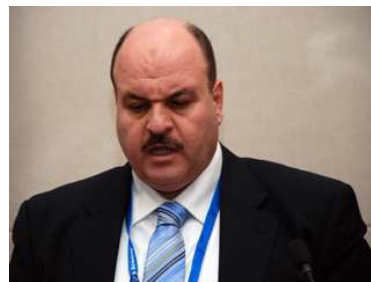
We attended the Asia Ship recycling Summit in Shanghai on 1-2 July 2010 and the Ship Recycling Summit in London on 20-21 October 2010. Bernard Veldhoven gave on behalf of I.S.R.A on both occasions a presentation and underlined in particular the importance of strong alliances between last ship owners/brokers/ cash buyers and I.S.R.A yards as green alternative for practices in the Indian sub continent. Later in the year I attended the Shiptec China 2010; the 7th International Shipbuilding, Ports and Marine Technology Exhibition for China, Dalian.

We made new contacts with the Asian Ship Owners' Forum (a meeting in Taipei is scheduled end November), ClassNK, **Jingjiang Dunfeng Ship Breaking Yard** in China and the Norwegian Ship Owners Association.

Also many other ISRA members are joining conferences as a speaker like representatives from **Germanischer Lloyd** and **Lloyds Register** , but also from **Leyal Ship Recycling Turkey**, **Maersk Ship Recycling** and **UASC**.



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Certification, ISO 30.000? ISRA?

In the minutes of the incorporation of ISRA (22October 2007) is stipulated that A Members within a certain period after foundation of ISRA "have been certified in accordance with minimum standards ...determined by the Association ... or will be certified in accordance with a certification program .. in a period being set therefore". Later we have determined that an ISRA standard could be ISO 30.000 plus non-beaching statement.

However no valid ISRA certification nor ISO 30.000 is in place yet with the members and it is getting more difficult to explain to other stakeholders in the business in which way ISRA members are better and "greener" than others and how we prove that. The secretary will prepare a discussion paper for the GM in Hong Kong for consideration and decision.

Annual General Meeting in Hong Kong

Beginning of November already 15 persons have announced that they will join our Annual General meeting, 13th December 2010 in Hong Kong, followed by a field trip to our members in South China. Detailed agenda including discussion papers will follow. Please make sure that you inform the secretariat of your participation and confirm your hotel requirements as soon as possible otherwise it can become difficult to secure a room.

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