I – International
M – Maritime
H – Health
A – Association

IMHA, a scientific, non profit association founded in 1997

Activities

Dr. M. Luisa Canals – Former president of IMHA
Board Activities

- Board meetings
- Other Conferences
- Contacts with International Organisations.
- Publications
- Workshops
- Agreements: ISMH, SEMM postg. courses … EU project Medine … / Bylaws published…
Some Conferences with IMHA participation:

- LC. I National Conference on Occupational Health in Harbours
  *Puerto de la Bahía de Cádiz – Spain - Jun 2003*

- LC. Colloque « Mer et Santé »
  *Brest – France – Oct. 2003*

- LC. 3rd International Conference on Occupational Risk Prevention
  *Santiago de Compostela – Spain - Jun 2004*

- LC. V International Meeting on Occupational Health – WS - Psychosocial A. Fishing I –*Vilanova – Spain May 2005*
- PG. Membership committee: Indonesia 2003 – Vietman 1st VNSDMH (& LC) - August 2004

- TC. ICSW meetings, Lloyds Health Care at Sea, London – UK – 2004

Work with International Organizations

- **IMO**
  - Meetings with IMO - IMHA consultative status (London), Safety committee m., COMSAR …TC

- **ILO**
  - Tripartite meetings on ILO convention & recommendation for the fishing industry (2003-04 Geneva) LC
  - Discussions on consolidation of conventions on seafarers (Geneva, London) TC

- **WHO**
  - Dept. of Protection of the Human Environment. Occupational and Environmental Health on IMG3, RV-BR, Occupational Health meeting BR
ICSW (int. committee on seafarers welfare)
- ICSW Health and Hygiene Committee
- ICSW Annual General Meeting, Veracruz

European Medical Association (Brussels)

ITF Seafarers Trust (London)
Publications

- International Maritime Health Journal
  - Agreement relation ended
- Maritime Medicine Journal
  - Related to the 7th ISMH Spanish / English.
- Travel Medicine and infectious disease contacts to include a section MH
- E- IMHA Newsletter (ED
1. Infectious Diseases, Antwerp 1999
2. Cruise Medicine I, Miami 2000
3. Practical Guide on Maritime Medicine, Vigo
4. Cruise Medicine II, Philadelphia
6. Telemedicine, Rome
7. Health in the Fishing Industry, Cádiz
8. 7th ISMH: 4 Seminars (G.B. Aspects, Med. Exam. Standards, Occupational accidents & Diseases, Maritime Activities), Tarragona, April 2003
10. Working at Sea, Psychological Health Problems, Riga, May, 2004
11. Collection and Validation of Data in Maritime Medicine, Brest, July 2004
12. Drug and Alcohol Policies, Odessa, Sept 2005
Last IMHA Workshops and Seminars participants 2003-2005

S1-4  7th ISMH, 2003: 4 Seminars, Tarragona (29)
WS08  Continuing Education & Maritime Medicine, Barcelona (27)
WS09  Working at Sea and Psychological Health Problems, Riga (34), 2004
WS10  Collection and Validation of Data in Maritime Medicine, Brest (18)
WS11  Drug and Alcohol Policies, Odessa, Sept. 2005
Next  Quality assurance, Mumbai (India), Social Security (Panama)
       Medical Fitness Standards (UK) … , (Venezuela)
Continuation of:

- Workshops – Meetings Groups – S. Subjects
- I Med. Guide for Ships 3rd Ed. project WHO
- Health & Hygiene project ITF – ICSW, IMHA collaboration
- ITF 7 projects: Agenda, Int., Website, Workgroups, Confidential Reporting, Research Referee, Courses.
- EU projects: Medine
- Extension Asia-Link ... IMHA latina
IMHA will continue with pending EU Socrates-Erasmus «Medmar»: MH Data base & Common Maritime Health Education in Universities

Agreements ISMH

Explore new possibilities: National Societies, Erasmus Mundi, Asia-Link ... IMHA latina (I International Foro – Venezuela)
Budget

- ITF grants but IMHA will have to apply for new grants within the year for routine operational costs.
- IMHA has allocated funding for the IMGS3.
- Funding for the Health & Hygiene Project is anticipated through ICSW.
- Other support from our own IMHA activities
IMHA WEBSITE
http://www.imha.net

Founded on June 22, 1997 during the Fourth International Symposium on Maritime Health in Oslo (Norway), the International Maritime Health Association - IMHA - is a non-profit organization dedicated to foster scientific progress, improve the quality of the health of maritime workers worldwide (seafarers, fishermen, offshore oil industry installation workers, divers etc.) and to create a forum where ideas, experiences, efforts, research and questions on maritime health may be exchanged for the benefit of the international maritime community. For that purpose, the Association will maintain intense and constant contact with the World Health Organization (WHO), International Maritime Organization (IMO) and International Labor Organization (ILO), as well as with other international institutions. It will strive to become a source of reference and consultation for governments, shipowners, trade unions and other organizations on matters of maritime health. IMHA is registered in Belgium as an international association by Royal Decree of 14/07/1993.

Membership - IMHA is open to both individual or corporate membership. In this site, you may learn about the Association’s bylaws and the membership application form.

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