

Introduction to

I H M A



International HazMat Association

Introduction

- Background
 - New upcoming legislation requires Professionals (IMO, EU, etc.)
 - Differing approaches, no level playing fields for shipowners and ship recyclers
 - Lack of understanding in industry
 - Setting of “right standards” required
 - Increasing demand for effective developments of IHMs and MDs / SDoCs



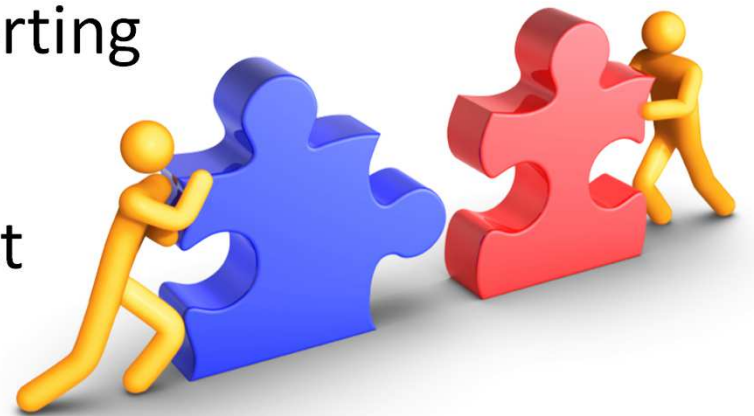
Aims: Reputation

- Internationally accepted association
- Independent of class
 - general approval as service provider by IACS
 - Fulfilling and advise on requirements related to IHM preparation for all classes incl.
 - Decontamination (individual members)
 - Asbestos free surveys
- Aiming for observer status at IMO
 - Supporting further developments
- Self- auditing and certification system



Aims: Equal standards

- Development of more detailed standard for IHM
 - Filling identified gaps in international standards and requirements
 - Decision criteria for sample taking (e.g. number of samples)
 - Standards for VSCP and reporting
 - Laboratory standards
 - Maintenance of indicative list
 - Reference for IACS and IMO



Aims: Branding & Quality

- Brand mark for high quality HazMat Professionals
 - Separation from “poor performing” competitors
 - Setting of uniform standards to be established by all members
- Global network of IHM-Professionals
 - Increased competitiveness due to global cooperation



Aims: Sharing of knowledge

- Publishing Newsletters
- Supporting all members
- Publishing references
 - maintained indicative list
- Training for HazMat Professionals
- Organizational support for members
- Widening service portfolio



Benefits for members

- Branding
 - By assuring best service for all clients
 - By separation from “common players”
- Laboratory network services
- Insurance for Shipping of samples
- Tools, Hard- & Software
 - IHM hard- & software
 - Tool kits



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