

ReCAAP 20th Anniversary Celebration and Symposium



FRIDAY, 13 MARCH 2026



PARADOX SINGAPORE

ReCAAP 20th Anniversary Celebration

Commemorating Two Decades of Regional Cooperation & Partnership for Safer Seas in Asia

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	●	Registration
9:00 AM – 9:05 AM	●	Welcome Remarks Admiral Ronnie Gil L Gavan Chairperson of the ReCAAP ISC Governing Council
9:05 AM – 9:10 AM	●	Opening Address Mr Murali Pillai (Guest of Honour) Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Law & Ministry of Transport Republic of Singapore
9:10 AM – 9:15 AM	●	ReCAAP 20th Anniversary Celebration
9:15 AM – 9:25 AM	●	Group Photo Taking
9:25 AM – 9:30 AM	●	Keynote Address (pre-recorded) Mr Arsenio Dominguez Secretary General IMO
9:30 AM – 9:40 AM	●	ReCAAP ISC: 20 Years Journey & The Way Forward Mr Vijay D Chafekar Executive Director ReCAAP ISC
9:40 AM – 10:00 AM	●	Coffee Break

ReCAAP 20th Anniversary Symposium

Adapting to evolving maritime security challenges

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	●	Session 1: Addressing emerging maritime threats and the Future of ReCAAP Moderator: Professor Maximo Q. Mejia Jr., President World Maritime University Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr Bastiaan Maltha, ReCAAP ISC Governor for Netherlands• Mr Hasan Khajah, Senior Coordinator, Maritime Security, INTERPOL• Dr Phillip Belcher, Marine Director, INTERTANKO• Ms Lee Yin Mui, Deputy Director, ReCAAP ISC
11:00 AM – 11:10 AM	●	Presentation of mementos by Chairperson and photo taking with Panel 1
11:10 AM – 12:10 PM	●	Session 2: Multi-faceted approach to fighting piracy & other maritime crimes Moderator: Professor Christian Bueger, Professor of International Relations at the Department of Political Science, University of Copenhagen Panellists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. David O'Connell, Regional Programme Coordinator, Maritime Crime – Southeast Asia, UNODC• Mr Terry Gibson, Director, Royal Navy Maritime Domain Awareness• Mr Akash Mittra, Director of HSEQ, Teekay Tankers• CDR Abeer Sharma, Commander (Operations), IFC-IOR
12:10 PM – 12:20 PM	●	Presentation of mementos by Chairperson and photo taking with Panel 2
12:20 PM – 12:30 PM	●	Closing Remarks by Mr Vijay D Chafekar
12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	●	Lunch and Networking