

# My Vision for the Future of IFSMA

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# **Predecessor**

I would like to thank my predecessor

***Captain Rodger MacDonald***

for all of the hard work, time and energy that he has devoted to IFSMA

I will endeavour to carry this work forward and although the direction may alter, this will only occur after agreement with the Executive Council on any proposal

# Items for Future Review

## Membership

***Numbers*** Increase 20% over 5 years

***New Associations to join*** Contact Associations

***Individual Members*** encourage them to join an Association but if they do not have one still join as Individual Members

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Increase revenue from new sources, where possible

Not by increasing membership fees

Increase membership numbers

Raising income from projects

Requests for speaking at conferences etc

Work with IMO/ILO on projects

Option to create IFSMA publications / courses

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## Visit of Secretary General to National Associations

Whenever possible the Secretary General will visit global branches while travelling on business, to save costs

Next visit is Varna, Bulgaria, before the end of this month

As my business schedule allows costs for such visits these will not be to the account of IFSMA

There is the matter of using the List of National Associations, having this circulated and records kept of contacts made with them

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## IMO /ILO

Whenever possible the Secretary General will try to raise the profile of IFSMA at the International Maritime Organization

Build on the relationships already in place and create new ones with flag administrations and NGOs

Attend as many sessions as possible over the year

Work with National Associations to ensure that all sessions are covered by someone representing IFSMA

# Conclusion

I am highly honoured to be given the opportunity to serve IFSMA in the capacity of Secretary General

It is my intention to work with everyone to raise the profile of IFSMA in the maritime industry

There are opportunities to explore new avenues for IFSMA, but not at the expense of depleting funds and reserves

As a Scotsman I take money matters very seriously