IALA APPOINTS NEW SECRETARY GENERAL

It was reported by IALA from St Germain-en-Laye, France, on 15 December that Francis Zachariae of Denmark is to be the Secretary General of IALA with effect from 1 February next.

Francis Zachariae started his career in the Royal Danish Navy and served in several warships, ending as Commandant at the Naval Academy.

In 2007 he became Deputy Director General of the Danish Maritime Safety Administration, which then merged with the Danish Maritime Authority, where he was responsible for areas of work related to maritime regulation, safety of navigation and pilotage in Danish, Greenlandic and Faroese waters.

Francis Zachariae also spent some years abroad, first in the early 1990s with the Collège Interarmées de Défense à Paris, then in the early 2000s with the EU Council Secretariat in Brussels.

As Secretary General he will meet the important challenges of transforming IALA into an intergovernmental organization, optimizing IALA resources, both financial and human, while maintaining and developing further the membership and international network that has developed since the creation of IALA in 1957.