## Meeting with Shenzhen Maritime Shipping Association on 10 Sept. 2008

As invited by the Shenzhen Maritime Shipping Association (SMSA), Ir. PC So (Chairman) and Mr. SF Wong (Committee Member) went to Shenzhen on 10 September 2008 to attend SMSA's 2nd. Quarterly Meeting.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. XU Linguo (Vice Chairman & Secretary-General). Apart from reporting the work of SMSA, a very constructive information exchange session was held between SMSA and the Institute of Seatransport. Several proposals aiming to strengthening the working relationship between the two bodies were initiated by Ir. So. Following fruitful discussion, the following actions were confirmed :

- 1. In order to allow members of Taiwan Strait Shipping Association and Hong Kong's Institute of Seatransport have a better understanding of SMSA, the next cross Taiwan strait conference is to be held in conjunction with SMSA's Spring dinner gathering in March 2009;
- 2. The articles published by the Institute of Seatransport and SMSA will be shared between each other;
- 3. Regular seminars to be held in Shenzhen and Hong Kong inviting speakers from both sides to address specialized and /or interesting topics;
- 4. The Institute of Seatransport will arrange experts in specialized shipping field (e.g. average adjusters, insurance, maritime law etc.) to present talks to the counterparts in Shenzhen;
- 5. SMSA and the Institute of Seatransport will jointly organize programmes for university students exchange activities.

In future, SMSA will continue to invite Institute of Seatransport to attend their quarterly meetings.