

Seminar on Dredging and Reclamation Singapore

The International Association of Dredging Companies (IADC) decided some years ago to develop an "International Seminar on Dredging and Reclamation". The seminar is continually updated and provides information. This 35th edition of the Seminar will be held in cooperation with the National University of Singapore and take place at the Grand Park City Hall Hotel in Singapore from Monday 8th to Friday 12th November 2010. Early bird discount expires 15th September 2010.

The course is given by recognised experts from the world's leading dredging companies and is aimed at (future) project managers, project staff and decision makers in governments, port and harbour authorities, offshore companies and other organisations that have to execute dredging projects. Over the last fifteen years, this intensive course has reached hundreds of professionals in maritime related fields in Delft, Singapore, Dubai, Buenos Aires, Bahrain, Mexico and Abu Dhabi.

The five-day course provides an understanding of dredging through lectures by experts in the field and workshops. Some of the subjects covered are:

- land reclamation, the development of new ports and maintenance of existing ports;
- project phasing (identification, investigation, feasibility studies, design, construction, and maintenance);
- descriptions of types of dredging equipment and boundary conditions for their use;
- state-of-the-art dredging techniques as well as environmentally sound techniques;
- pre-dredging and soil investigations, designing and estimating from the contractor's view;
- costing of projects and types of contracts such as charter, unit rates, lump sum and risksharing agreements.

In addition, in each country a visit to a dredging project is planned, if possible combined with a trip on a working trailing suction hopper or cutter dredger.

Dredging is making the headlines more and more often. Be it the land reclamation projects in Dubai and Abu Dhabi or the cleanup actions in the Gulf of Mexico and China, or the urgency of coastal protection against rising sea levels in this time of climate change. All are reasons why governments continue to invest in maritime infrastructure projects.

The cost of the seminar will be EUR2,950,-; this fee includes all tuition, seminar proceedings and workshops and a special participants dinner during the week. Those registering before 15th September will enjoy an EUR250.- discount. Fees are exclusive of travel costs and accommodation. IADC assists as needed with finding accommodation in the conference hotel or at another facility.

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