



The 10th RMPP concluded with invited Senior Commanders sharing their personal operational experiences and key takeaways

Mr Krishnaswamy Natarajan, Executive Director, ReCAAP ISC spoke on the various MARSEC threats and enforcement efforts in the Indian Ocean; RADM Matthew Sibley, Deputy Commander Pacific Area U.S Coast Guard spoke on the importance of building trust and info-sharing to ensure interoperability; and Commander Claire Rees, Deputy Commander Maritime Border Command briefed on the importance of working with various agencies on security matters, with Ms Jane Chan facilitating the Q&A session thereafter.

“No single agency/nation have adequate capability to handle maritime challenges and necessities; establishment of institutionalised framework with neighbouring nation maritime enforcement agency, exchange points of contacts, regular communication and conduct of exercises are essential in the fight against future challenges.” – Mr Krishnaswamy Natarajan, Executive Director, ReCAAP Information Sharing Centre (ISC).

“No one country alone could address the global threat, partnerships are essential to combating threats or maintaining an open Indo-Pacific that is more connected, prosperous, secure and resilient.” – RADM Matthew Sibley, Deputy Commander Pacific Area, U.S. Coast Guard.

“Critical to our success is information sharing. We make sure we have bilateral, multilateral arrangements to share information and support real time responses or the analysis of our information so that we can inform our partners what the adversaries are doing, the sharing of our lessons, observations and threat changing in our environment.” – ABF Commander Claire Rees, Deputy Commander Maritime Border Command.

All participants were engaged in meaningful learning during the Senior Commanders’ Dialogue and celebrated the successful completion of the 10th RMPP.

“I’m very grateful to be a participant of the 10th RMPP 2022. The event coincided nicely with the easing of COVID-19 measures which allowed us to engage in more meaningful and immersive conversations with our local/international partners. I sincerely thank the organising committee for their effort and hard work that made this event a success.” – Ms Rena Ang, Ministry of Home Affairs.

“It was a great opportunity to bring together maritime security practitioners from both the public and private sectors, and also from different regions to discuss on current issues and exchange experiences. We are entering a new phase of maritime security marked by the geopolitical issues and the depletion of natural resources. To be proactive in maritime security, it is then necessary to identify the issues and build security on a common interest in advance.” – LT Elissam Trimoa, Commanding Officer, Togolese Navy.

Over the past five days, participants came together physically to exchange diverse perspectives and insights. This sharing contributes greatly to the learning process and we hope all participants will continue to keep in touch with one another after RMPP. The 10th RMPP was a huge success and we would like to thank all for their active participation and valuable contributions!