



Invitation

24 July 2020

Subject: Invitation to the Online Workshop on Marine Ecological Conservation and Disaster Risk Reduction

Dear Sir or Madam,

At present, countries across the world are facing various problems of marine environment, including overfishing, resource exhaustion, marine pollution and so on. In the meantime, marine disasters are also threatening the social and economic development of coastal countries and regions. Under the circumstances, marine ecological conservation and prevention and reduction of marine disasters have become a global consensus.

Recognizing the need of cooperation on marine ecological environment and disaster risk reduction, and in view of the current situation of the COVID-19 pandemic and travel restrictions, World Association of the Major Metropolises (Metropolis) and 21st-Century Maritime Cooperation Committee will jointly hold **the Online Workshop on Marine Ecological Conservation and Disaster Risk Reduction** via the Zoom platform.

We cordially invite you to attend the Workshop which will be held on the

three afternoons from 31 August to 2 September 2020. It will include lectures and a panel discussion, with the focus on marine ecological conservation, sustainable development of marine industry, protection and proper development of marine resources, and marine disaster prevention and reduction.

Enclosed please find the programme and concept note for your consideration, and the attendance form. We are grateful if you could complete the attendance form and send it to us before the workshop to confirm your participation. Should you need more information and/or to coordinate your kind participation, please contact the Secretariat of 21st-Century Maritime Cooperation Committee at Tel: +86-591-83537056/

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Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to meeting you in the workshop.

Yours sincerely,



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