

# MARITIME INSTITUTE OF MALAYSIA

# An Overview

*Advancing the Frontier of Maritime Knowledge*



# Outline of Presentation

- Profile of MIMA
- Vision of MIMA
- Mission of MIMA
- Objectives of MIMA
- Organizational Structure of MIMA
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- Incorporated in July 1993 under the Companies Act, 1965
- A company with no share capital/limited by guarantee
- Independent, non-profit policy research institute – “Maritime Think-Tank”
- Governed by a Board of Directors

## **MIMA's Vision**

**To become a regional center of excellence for maritime policy research, consultancy and awareness to enhance the governance of Malaysia's maritime realm through authoritative outputs by 2010**

# MIMA's Mission

To develop and harness a quality, creative and forward looking maritime policy research team lead by a leading edge leadership with efficient support services through continual capacity building and competency upgrading

# MIMA's Objectives

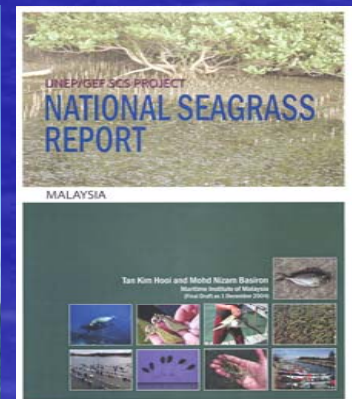
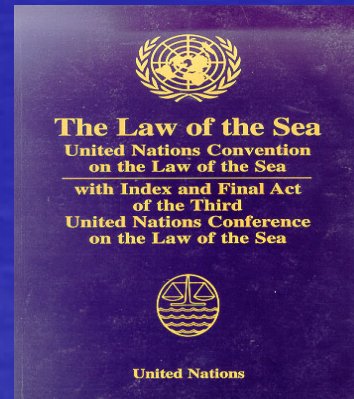
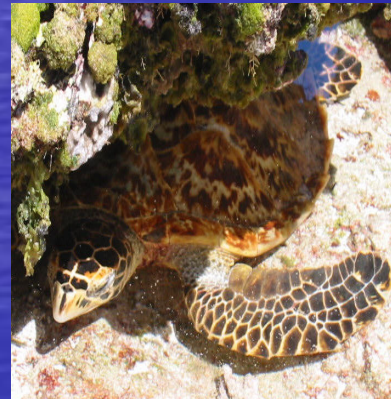
- Mobilise maritime expertise.
- Provide second opinions, recommendations and policy options.
- Undertake maritime research and studies.
- Provide forum for free exchange of ideas.
- National focal centre for maritime affairs and maintain linkages with similar organisations.
- National resource and reference centre.
- Organise conferences, workshops, seminars and talks.

# Structure of MIMA



# Research Centre and Activities

- Four research areas/centres:
  - Maritime Security and Diplomacy
  - Coastal and Marine Environment
  - Ocean Law and Policy
  - Economic Studies and Ocean Industries
- Resource Centre





# Maritime Security and Diplomacy

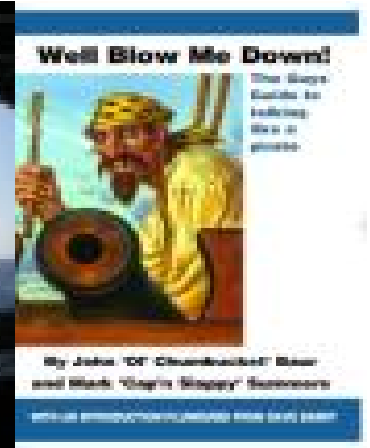
## Research Themes

- Maritime security
  - terrorism, piracy
- Protecting Malaysia's Maritime Interests
  - resources, boundaries
- Maritime Confidence Building
  - fostering understanding and cooperation at regional and international level



# 2005 Projects

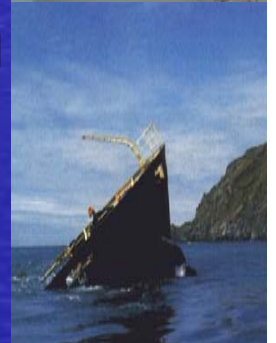
- ASEAN Naval Modernisation Strategies
- Maritime Threats
- Malaysia's National Security Interest in the Andaman Sea
- Dasar Keselamatan Maritim Negara
- ASEAN Maritime Strategy: Indonesia & Singapore Maritime Strategies
- Comprehensive Maritime Security Issues in the Straits of Malacca



# Coastal and Marine Environment

## Research Themes

- Sustainable development of marine resources.
- Coastal zone management.
- Prevention, minimisation and elimination of marine pollution.
- Conservation of coastal and marine biological diversity and ecological processes.



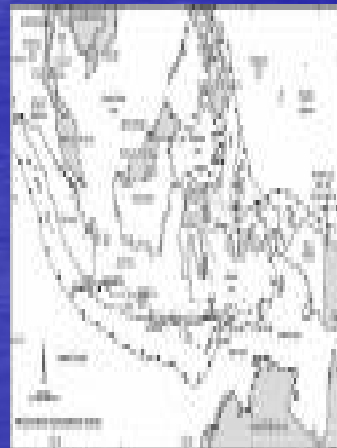
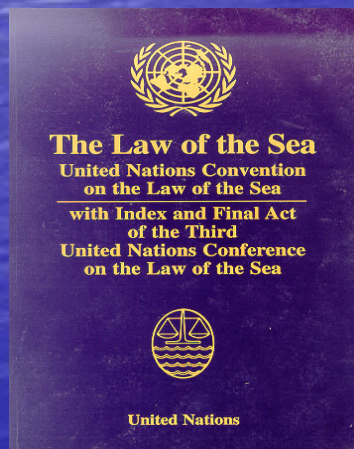
# 2005 Projects

- Review and Consolidation of Guidelines for Coastal Zone Management.
- Improving Marine Park Awareness and Material.
- Assessment of National Ecotourism Plan.
- Conduct of Marine Scientific research in Malaysian Waters.
- Recreational Fishing in Malaysia.
- Review of Integrated Coastal Zone Management Initiatives.
- Comparative Study of Mangrove Policy and Management in Asia-Pacific Countries.
- Developing National Plan of Action on Land-Based Pollution.

# Ocean Law and Policy

## Research Themes

- Instrument of Law to support the National Maritime Policy Objectives
- Monitor International Maritime Conventions to Protect and Advance National Interests



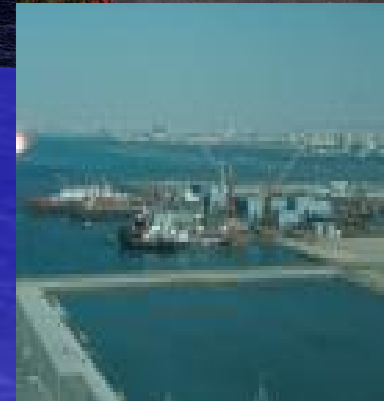
## 2005 Projects

- International Dispute Resolutions Mechanism as Provided under part XV UNCLOS: Option for Malaysia.
- Civil Liability for Damages Caused by Hazardous and Noxious Substances.
- Marine Leisure Industry: The Need for a Regulatory Regime.
- Coordination and Implementation of Marine Scientific Research in Malaysian Territorial Waters.
- Marine Insurance: The assured and the insured.
- Law of the Sea Training Course.
- IMO Meetings.

# Economic Studies and Ocean Industries

## Research Themes

- Shipping
- Ports
- Multimodalism/Logistics
- Offshore Oil and Gas
- Maritime Leisure Industry
- Maritime Database
- Rise of China as a Maritime Power



## 2005 Projects

- Intra-ASEAN Shipping.
- Input-Output Analysis of the Maritime Sector.
- Southern Gateway.
- STRATSHIP Training Seminar.
- Regional Ports and Shipping.
- Kra Canal.
- Maritime Auxiliary Services.

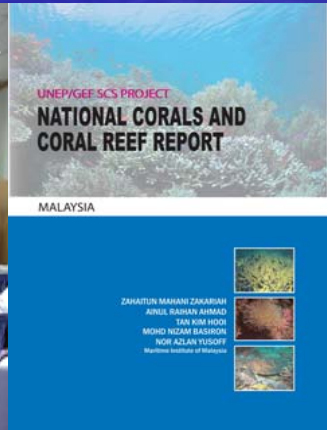


# Resource Centre

- Aims to be the regional maritime resource centre comprising reference library, information and database centre.
- Boasts one of the best maritime affairs collection in the country.
- Important maritime policy journals.
- Regularly accessed by local and foreign researchers.

# Key Achievements

- Contribution to the ratification of UNCLOS.
- INCSEA between Malaysia and Indonesia.
- International conferences on the Strait of Malacca.
- Publication of Malaysia's Maritime Space Atlas.
- Inputs into establishment of NOD and APMM.
- National Ocean Policy report.
- Consulting reports.
- Training courses.
- Networks.



# Inter-organisational Cooperation

- MIMA has established strong relationship with many organisations at all levels:
  - policy level with EPU, MOT, MINDEF etc.
  - operational level with RMN, PDRM, DOE, AG.
  - academic level with universities and research organisations.
  - also cooperation with regional and international bodies such as UNCTAD, UWA, UNEP, UNDP, IMO etc.

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