IAPH WOMEN FORUM AFRICA UPDATE

2017- 2018

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Ports of the Future: Creating Hubs, Accelerating Connectivity

• This is the theme for the IAPH mid term conference held in Baku Azerbaijan May 8-12 May 2018
AFRICA IAPH OFFICE BEARERS

• Ms Hadiza Bala Usman Managing Director is the elected Vice Chair IAPH Africa, sits in the Board along other Vice chair of the 5 regions under President IAPH Santiago Garcia – Mila

• The Vice chair IAPH Women Forum-Africa is Fiona Mbandi- Senior Human Resources Kenya Ports Authority

• This has generated a lot of interest and anticipate active participation continents agenda
Firsts-PORT MANAGING DIRECTORS
IAPH WOMEN

• Mrs Catherine Mturi- Wairi was appointed as the MD at Kenya Ports Authority in 2016 first female MD in the port’s existence of over 100 years

• Ms Hadiza Bala Usman is the Managing Director of the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) 2016, first female in the port’s existence of 60 years
ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR 2017/8

• Lead by Siti Noraisha Azizan the chair of IAPHWF and the Managing Director Policy and Strategy-Patrick Verhoeven, we had several Skype meetings with other regions

• OUTCOMES
  • developing structures for upcoming IAPH activities and
  • preparations for the ongoing conference including helping source out for speakers
  • For members countries active participation which is still a challenge
2017 IAPHWF winner is Ngozi Stella Obikil of Nigeria who is make a presentation during the Baku 2018 conference other winner is Nitzeria Watson of Panama will take a Master class under the same sponsorship program.

Inaugural winner of IAPHWF award 2016 was Fiona Mbandi of Port of Mombasa
CHALLENGES EXPERIENCED

• Need to consider how to encourage the number of African countries to participate at IAPHWF activities and forum.

• How to ensure contact with regional meetings such as PMAESA for synergies in agenda

• How to establish formal structure within the region.

• Funds are needed for any mobilization and activities in countries to start the relevant programs.
WAY FORWARD 2018-2019

• Exchange program/ benchmarking with other established ports
• Take statistics of those in the various areas in maritime industry
• To work closely with the regional bodies to leverage on existing initiatives
• Continue to be involved in the government programs - Blue Economy, Africa Port Forum
WAY FORWARD contd

• Encourage IAPHWF members to attend the Africa Forum in September 2018 under the leadership, the Vice chair Africa MD Nigeria Ports Authority  Hadiza Bala Usman

• Establish structure/framework, leadership, Mentoring Exchange programs

• Align activities with the IAPH /IAPHWF calender

• document all processes and forward to social media for sharing
WAY FORWARD contd

• Actively participate in the media; facebook, linkedIn, whatsapp and skype on the Maritime matters for improved communication,

• Share the IAPHWF booklet to improve participation

• Give update and feedback on IAPH matters- surveys

• Celebrate during the IAPHWF award winners with framed letters, plaques given by President IAPH

• Lastly see you at IAPH China 2019