



INFO BULLETIN

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Subject: Guinea-Bissau International Ships Registry –IMO IMSAS Audit Conducted in Piraeus, Greece (10-12 September 2025)

1. The Guinea-Bissau International Ships Registry (GB ISR) announces the successful conduct of the **IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS)** at its extraterritorial offices in Piraeus, Greece, from 10 to 12 September 2025.

Procedural Framework

2. The audit was carried out by an IMO Audit Team, led by the designated Audit Team Leader and Audit Officer, in accordance with Assembly Resolution A.1067(28) and the **IMO Instruments Implementation Code (III Code, Resolution A.1070(28))**. The procedure was conducted at the premises of the General Ships Registrar's Office (GSR OFC – Corporate function) and the Deputy General Ships Registrar's Office (DGSR OFC – Maritime Operations function), which are entrusted with the exercise of Flag State responsibilities on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

Scope of the Audit

3. The audit focused on the implementation of **nine IMO Instruments**, including:

- SOLAS 1974
- MARPOL 73/78
- STCW 1978
- Load Lines 1966
- Tonnage 1969
- COLREG 1972

together with relevant protocols, codes and procedures associated with Flag State responsibilities.

Strategic Importance

4. The successful completion of this stage of the audit highlights GB ISR's:

- **Commitment to international maritime governance**, by aligning operational practices with the III Code and mandatory IMO instruments.



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- **Strategic cooperation** with the Ministry of Transport, Telecommunication and Digital Economy of Guinea-Bissau.
- **Contribution to global maritime safety, security, and environmental protection**, by supporting transparency, accountability, and quality performance as a Flag State.

Next Steps

5. The audit continues from **15 to 19 September 2025** in **Bissau, Guinea-Bissau**, covering Coastal and Port State responsibilities.

Added Value for GB ISR

6. Participation in the IMSAS audit represents a milestone for the Registry, offering:
 - Formal **recognition of its operational framework** under IMO oversight.
 - **Strengthened institutional cooperation** with the State of Guinea-Bissau.
 - **Enhanced international credibility** and visibility in the global maritime community.

For the Guinea-Bissau International Ships Registry

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