

～ 日本海難防止協会シンガポール連絡事務所発SRO news ～  
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1 日本財団の「ミクロネシア（※3 国）海上保安能力強化支援プログラム」は、（※パラオの）海上警備・魚類野生生物保護部（DMSFWP）の職員の研修を支援している。6名の職員（機関員3名、電気技師3名）がシンガポール所在の PSS KEDAM エンジンメーカーの研修センターで、エンジンの構造・整備技能（15日間）、主機制御系統・電気系統点検技術（10日間）の研修を受講した。  
（※SRO News22-028 参照）

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(22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022, Island Times)

2 マーシャル諸島（RMI）で、2020年初めの COVID-19 パンデミック発生以来、2年以上ぶりに現場での PSC 検査が行われた。

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(9<sup>th</sup> December 2022, The Marshall Islands Journal)

3 中西部太平洋まぐろ類委員会（WCPFC）は、1月1日から巻網漁船に対する監視員乗船を再開することを承認した。（※SRO News22-020 参照）

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(2<sup>nd</sup> December 2022, Radio NZ)

4 マーシャル諸島（RMI）出身の（女性である）Rhea Moss-Christian氏が中西部太平洋まぐろ類委員会（WCPFC）の事務局長に任命された。初めて、太平洋諸島フォーラム漁業機関（FFA）、ナウル協定締約国事務所、WCPFCの3つの主要漁業関連機関が女性によって率えられることとなった。

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(9<sup>th</sup> December 2022, The Marshall Islands Journal)

5 オーストラリア国防省艦船 Reliant が、太平洋の気象リスクの高い季節に太平洋諸島 7 カ国と東ティモールを数カ月かけて訪問し、海上監視の支援や人道的物資を含む重要な貨物の輸送を行っている。

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(8<sup>th</sup> December 2022, Samoa Observer)

6 第1回インドネシア太平洋開発フォーラム（Indonesian Pacific Forum for Development）の結果広報

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(7<sup>th</sup> December 2022, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia)



## Official teams restart cargo vessel inspections

The Ministry of Transportation, Communications & Information Technology's Maritime Division's Port State Control Officers (PSCOs) joined forces with the RMI Sea Patrol maritime law enforcement officers to conduct a Port State Control (PSC) inspection on a refrigerated cargo vessel in the port of Majuro.

This is the first physical PSC inspection in over two years as PSC boardings in the RMI were suspended since the Covid-19 outbreak was declared a global pandemic in early 2020.

The inspection is an effort to ensure the safety of the port as well as the safety of the vessel and crew. This program involves the inspection of foreign-flagged ships in RMI national ports to verify that the ships are in compliance with international, as well as national, safety, security, and environmental standards.

The program was established in 2011, with continual technical and training support provided by the RMI Office of the Maritime Administrator, and it aims to conduct boardings with minimal disruption to a vessel's

schedule whenever possible.

When a vessel is found to be in substantially substandard condition, it may be held in port and may be required to make repairs or updates to the ship before it is allowed to sail again.

"The Ministry of Transportation, Communications & IT's goal is to continue to build on these activities, partnerships, and capabilities to promote safety, security, pollution prevention and maintain order in the maritime domain," says Acting Secretary Waylon Muller.



Above left, Port State Control Officers and Sea Patrol Officers tie up to a refrigerated cargo vessel in Majuro lagoon and, above, board the boat.

## OPINION PAGES

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# Women rule in Pacific fisheries

The Pacific Islands have turned the world of fisheries upside down.

Consider this cliché statement: Fisheries is a male-dominated sector. While this may be so in many parts of the industry, we can say that in leadership in the Pacific, it is most definitely an outdated idea.

The appointment of Marshall Islander Rhea Moss-Christian as executive director of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission at the end of last week's annual meeting is a milestone in many regards. It is a first for a Marshall Islander to be at the helm of a regional organization. She is also the first woman to head the Pohnpei-based WCPFC, which oversees fishing on the high seas in the region. In addition, it turns out she is the first woman to ever head a regional fisheries management organization globally.

Yes, all of this is true. But the ramifications of her appointment go beyond all of the above.

For the first time in the Pa-



WCPFC Executive Director Rhea Moss-Christian, FFA Director General Dr. Manu Tupou-Roosen, and PNA office Chief Executive Officer Dr. Sangaa Clark.

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cific, the three major fisheries-related organizations — the Pacific Islands Forum Fisheries Agency, the Parties to the Nauru Office, and the WCPFC — are headed by women. Now this is something worth celebrating.

Dr. Manu Tupou-Roosen broke the glass ceiling for women in fisheries leadership when she was named head of the FFA in 2018. She was followed last year by the PNA when it appointed Dr. Sangaa Clark. And

now Moss-Christian's appointment completes the triumvirate of Pacific islands women skilled and experienced in the world of fisheries management who are overseeing the commercial fishery in the region.

Moss-Christian has spent years in the fisheries world in the FSM, where she lives, and distinguished herself as chairperson of the WCPFC for four years. If ever there is a difficult organization to manage due to its many disparate members — island resource owners and distant water fishing nations — the WCPFC is it. Based on her experience as chair of the organization in the recent past, Moss-Christian is the right person to take over from outgoing executive director Feleti Teo when he steps down early next year.

It is great to see these eminently qualified island women in these leadership roles, and we hope it encourages the significant number of Marshallese now working in the Marshall Islands Marine Resources Authority and fisheries departments around the region to aim high in their professional careers.

It is gratifying to see the Pacific Islands setting a pace globally in gender equality in fisheries.