

Maritime Safety Breakout Group

ARF ISM

What existing agreements or principles govern behavior in maritime safety?

- Safety of sea life(SOLAS)
- COLREGS
- STCW
- IMO
- CUES
- IAMSAR
- ICAO
- UNCLOS-SAR and safety zones

Gaps in practices and principles/ SAR and Rules of the road

- No region wide center/ institutes
- Insufficient knowledge of the rules by fishing communities
- Insufficient coordination between national agencies(including civil/military relations)
- Rules too complex for laymen/
Lack of CUES equivalent for civilian maritime agencies
- Lack of mechanisms to enable sharing of technology
- Language barriers
- Some existing networks have different levels of autonomy in SAR operations
- Deliberate non-compliance
- Different organization framework at government level

Activities to address the gaps

- Ratification and implementation international rules /Capacity building
- Implement the concepts under the ARF statement on SAR
- Simplified and regionally customized rules of the road
- Training/ Education /Community outreach/
- Create a region wide center for sharing best practices and capacity building for better coordination on a nation to nation level;
- Network of experts/facilitate communication/Workshop or table top exercise for SAR;
- Standardized operating procedures/ Sign bilateral/ multilateral agreements on SAR cooperation