

## **KENYA SHIPS AGENTS ASSOCIATION**

## AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- 1. To promote and protect the interest of the shipping agents and operators in Kenya.
- 2. To coordinate common efforts designed to improve, modernize, simplify and/or standardize shipping contracts and documents and in doing so to safeguard the traditional role of ship agent and adviser to both ship owner and merchant interests.
- 3. To promote in line with the government policy, local, regional and international shipping with a view to providing adequate, efficient and optimal shipping services for the development of Kenyan sea borne trade.
- 4. To promote and foster the development of sound shipping industry in close co-operation and consultation with the relevant Government authorities in Kenya for the purpose of contributing to the development of national economy.
- 5. To encourage the promotion of efficiency and reliability, of shipping practices and management in Kenya for the purposes of attaining higher standards.
- 6. To formulate and foster sound business ethics and professional code of conduct amongst members of the Association.
- 7. To recommend the conditions governing the registration of accredited shipping agents in Kenya and advise the relevant Minister in all matters related to shipping industry, in particular in the enactment of rules and regulations governing the shipping industry and issuance of trading licenses to applicants for both nationals and foreigners wishing to join the trade.
- 8. To promote the spirit of mutual assistance and co-operation amongst members and to assist them whenever the basic and general interests of their professions are concerned.
- 9. To provide a regular forum for discussion and exchange of views and information, and create a single voice on matters of common interest among members and other organizations and or Associations with similar objectives.
- 10. To represent Kenya at regional and international meetings and forums as necessary and joining as a National Association in dealing with international shipping bodies.
- 11. To assist any member to make representation to any Government department or individual, local, regional or international organization and/or institution on issues of interest to their business.

- 12. To provide a forum for dialogue and communication with the Government on matter related to the trade.
- 13. To collect and disseminate information to members and conduct research in the shipping industry in furtherance of interests of the Association.
- 14. To promote and assist traffic through the Kenya Ports to and from neighboring countries.
- 15. To engage in such activities as may from time to time, in the opinion of the Association, contribute to the interests of its members and the economy of Kenya.