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## Press Release

### Singapore Maritime Foundation leadership change

**Singapore, 16 October 2020** - The Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) announces that Mr. Kenneth Chia will be stepping down as Executive Director of SMF on 31 December 2020. Ms. Tan Beng Tee, currently Assistant Chief Executive (Development) of the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore, will assume the role from 1 January 2021.

Mr. Andreas Sohmen-Pao, Chairman of SMF, says: "We are very grateful to Kenneth for his leadership of SMF during the past three years. Kenneth has expanded our broad range of activities in the areas of talent development and maritime community building. He has strengthened the work of the Maritime Singapore Connect Office, which connects jobseekers with employers; he has helped in the rejuvenation of the Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration; and he has overseen new initiatives like the Circle of HR Innovators, while managing the challenges of Covid-19 this year. We wish him well in his next endeavours. We look forward to welcoming Beng Tee, who has been instrumental in shaping Maritime Singapore into what it is today and will now lead SMF in the next chapter including our work on maritime decarbonisation".

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#### About the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF)

Established in 2004, the Singapore Maritime Foundation (SMF) is a private-sector led organization that aims to develop and promote Singapore as an International Maritime Centre (IMC), forging partnerships with the public and private sectors. SMF initiatives aim to strengthen the cluster, attract young talent to the industry, and support work on important issues such as decarbonisation. SMF is overseen by its Board of Directors which comprises prominent leaders in the Singapore maritime community. For details, visit <http://www.smf.com.sg>