



Congratulatory Message



Congratulations on “K” Line Maritime Academy Philippines’ 30th anniversary. I am Capt. Takafumi Tomaru, Managing Director of “K” Line Ship Management Singapore Pte Ltd (KLSM SGP). It is my great honor to be able to deliver my congratulatory message for this celebration.

KLSM SGP was established in July 2005 and currently manages 18 container vessels and will also be responsible for the ship management of a 24K TEU Type’s large container ship at the end of this year. Around 1993, when KMTC, the predecessor of KLMAP, was established, it coincided with the transition of the K-Line container fleet from the mainstream of Pioneer Ships to mixed-nationality ships.

Since then, Filipino seafarers have become the main seafarers and an integral part on container ships.

Therefore, it can be said that the current K-Line container fleet has grown and expanded together with the current KLMAP.

All Filipino seafarers on K-Line container ships have been provided by Ventis Maritime Corporation. Currently, about 160 Officer/Engineer and 290 rating crew (total of 450 Filipino Staffs) are registered as container ship personnel.

In addition, 14 vessels of total 18 KLSM-managed vessels currently have Filipino crews, and 7 vessels of them have all Filipino seafarers onboard.

KLSM SGP provides comprehensive integrated ship management services such as technical management, crew management, quality/safety/health/environment management, onboard internal audits and training to “K” Line or some other owner companies, to provide the highest level of ship management services that satisfy our customers.

We are committed to maintaining and providing high-quality ships for our customers, which includes the crew members who receive training at KLMAP and board the ships. We shall make the best use of technology so that Shore Staffs and Seafarers give top priority in maintaining good communication, listen to Seafarers’ requests, and provide support for skill improvement by seminars, training, etc.

One of the most important factors for maintaining high-quality ships that we aim for is high-quality crew members. As KLMAP celebrates its 30th Anniversary, we would like to express our appreciation and gratitude for your efforts in cultivating and producing these “high quality crew members”. There are many challenges that we must overcome, such as environmental measures, in the future. I hope that you will continue to maintain/improve the necessary facilities to train crew members to be able to cope with these challenges.

Once again, congratulations on KLMAP’s 30th anniversary. I wish you all the best!

Sincerely
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