

Refugee Migration at Sea and Maritime Law
Questionnaire

THE CURRENT REFUGEE and MIGRANT CRISIS

A. What measures were taken by your jurisdiction in relation to massive refugee/migrant flows?:

- (i) In relation to the rescue from boats?**
- (ii) In relation to the landing of rescued persons from boats?**
- (iii) In relation to granting humanitarian protection/refugee status to those rescued?**

B. Which authority (Department of State or Organisation) in your jurisdiction is responsible for implementing SAR activities?

- (i) Which authority is responsible for deciding on the measures?**
- (ii) Which authority is responsible for providing support in implementing the measures?**
- (iii) Did your authority implement measures to transfer those rescued to the state of origin (i.e. the State from which they started their journey)?**
- (iv) Did your authority implement measures to transfer those rescued to the state whose they are nationals?**
- (v) Which authority or authorities is or are responsible for enforcing the various measures?**
- (vi) Were maritime administrations within your jurisdiction consulted in relation to decisions taken within your jurisdiction?**

C. Are those who take decisions in your jurisdiction aware of the requirements of:

- (i) Geneva Convention on the status of refugees (1951)?**
- (ii) The ILO Conventions (nos. 97 and 143)?**
- (iii) The SAR Convention?**

D. In relation to free pratique:

- (i) Are you aware if your jurisdiction has denied port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**

- (ii) Are you aware if the current COVID-19 pandemic impacted the behavior of your jurisdiction regarding port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**

- (iii) Are you aware if the the *most recent* Ebola outbreak(ongoing in the Democratic Republic of the Congo since August 2018) pandemic impacted the behavior of your jurisdiction regarding port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**