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GIBRALTAR TO HOST NEXT IBIA ANNUAL CONVENTION IN NOVEMBER 2016

HM Government of Gibraltar and the Gibraltar Port Authority, in conjunction with the International Bunker Industry Association, are delighted to announce that the next IBIA Annual Convention will be held in Gibraltar in November 2016.

The International Bunker Industry Association (IBIA) is the voice of the suppliers and end users of marine fuel. Since its conception in 1992, it has expanded steadily with a worldwide membership comprising ship-owners, charterers, bunker suppliers, traders, brokers, storage companies, surveyors, port authorities, lawyers, P&I clubs, equipment manufacturers, shipping journalists and marine consultants. Today membership stands at over 600 members from 66 countries.

Minister for Shipping, the Hon Albert Isola commented that 'this is a real feather in Gibraltar's cap. It clearly demonstrates the good work that the Gibraltar Port Authority is doing in promoting our services and the solid reputation that our Port enjoys globally, widely regarded as the premier centre of excellence for bunkering services in the Mediterranean by its peers and partners'. He added that 'this event will allow the GPA and its bunkering partners to showcase what they do here. The Government is fully supportive of holding such prestigious and high profile events in Gibraltar, once again highlighting our commitment to continue developing the Port as an important contributor to our economic growth'.