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Port Authority Staff Attend Search and Rescue Conference in UK

Two senior members of staff from the Gibraltar Port Authority recently attended a two day Search and Rescue (SAR) conference hosted by the UK's Maritime and Coastguard Agency and several other sponsors, bringing together maritime and aviation SAR professionals from all over the world. The conference, which took place in Brighton also included an exhibition, demonstrations, workshops, and debates on topics including humanitarian and disaster response, migrant offshore aid stations and the role of non-government organisations in search and rescue operations.

CEO and Captain of The Port, Commodore Bob Sanguinetti, said "It is important for our staff directly responsible for search and rescue in our busy waters to attend these meetings to keep themselves updated on SAR techniques and developments."

The Hon Paul Balban, Minister for the Port, was also keen to point out "the benefits of our staff attending these sorts of events which offer valuable opportunities for sharing knowledge and experience among SAR organisations and experts worldwide."

(Caption for photo – Richard Requena, Senior Port Officer and Michael Toogood, VTS Manager)

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