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### **KR's Christmas gift to the World Maritime University**

The Korean Register of Shipping (KR) – an IACS member classification society – has donated 150 copies of its award-winning KR-CON software application to the World Maritime University in Malmö, Sweden.

KR-CON is a database application that contains full up-to-date texts of all IMO Conventions, Codes, Resolutions and Circulars in a single USB device. It helps users navigate through the complexities of IMO regulations and assists them to apply the various rules and regulations correctly.

KR's Chairman and CEO, Mr Oh Kong-gyun signed a Memorandum of Understanding with WMU President, Dr. Björn Kjerfve to donate 150 copies of KR-CON to the university and to provide updated versions each year.

*"KR-CON is one of KR's greatest software and R&D achievements", said Oh Kong-gyun at the signing ceremony. "Using state-of-the-art technology, we have been able to archive the vast repository of IMO-generated material and deliver it in a user-friendly and intelligent format to a range of shipyards, shipping companies, flag states and other maritime authorities. I was particularly proud when we were asked to create and supply a tailored version to the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) to assist with its port state control activities. I am equally proud to be donating our system to the World Maritime University today"*

The World Maritime University was established by an IMO Assembly Resolution in July 1983 and operates under the auspices of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). WMU's central aim is to further enhance the objectives and goals of IMO and IMO member states around the world.

KR will continue to support the WMU through this donation and through other related activities.

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**Notes to editors**

The Korean Register of Shipping is an IACS member classification society established in 1960 with the purpose of promoting safety of life, property and the protection of the marine environment.

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