

The Eighth Session of the Sub-Committee on Pollution

Prevention and Response

The Sub-Committee on Pollution Prevention and Response (PPR) of IMO held its eighth session remotely from 22 to 26 March 2021. Present were the representatives from IMO member States including the DPR Korea as well as from various international organizations.

Considerations were given to reports submitted by the correspondent groups which intersessionally addressed marine environmental protection issues including improvement of treatment of sewage from ships, minimization of transfer of invasive aquatic organisms, action plans to address the marine plastic litter from ships, measures to reduce risks of use and carriage of heavy fuel oil by ships in Arctic waters, etc.

After the in-depth discussion, the participants, noting that the above issues were too technical, agreed that the correspondent groups should be reorganized to study them in greater detail and report thereof to the next session.