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To: All SAMS[®] Members and Marine Professionals

From: Mr. Kristoffer A. Diel, AMS®, SAMS® President

Date: July 11, 2025

Subject: SAMS® 2025 International Marine and Educational Conference (IMEC)

Greetings:

We hope you can join us this year for the 2025 IMEC that will be held in Baltimore, Maryland. We are returning to the Hyatt Regency Baltimore Inner Harbor hotel which is located right on the waterfront. We held our 2012 IMEC at this great location which has lots of restaurants, shops and pubs all within walking distance.

The conference will be held from **Tuesday**, September 9th through **Friday**, September 12th, instead of Wednesday through Saturday. This one-day change provided us with better room rates.

The enclosed flyer will give you all the details on the excellent educational program Ken Weinbrecht, AMS®, SAMS® Vice President of Education has put together. Also on the flyer, you will find information on the President's Reception, Dinner Banquet and the Guest Tour.

The educational conference will officially start on Tuesday afternoon followed by two full days of seminars on Wednesday and Thursday. On Friday morning there will be a full breakfast for members followed by SAMS® **General Membership Business Meeting.** This is an important and informative meeting for SAMS® members, usually ending before noon. The Election of Officers will close the meeting, and the Board of Directors meeting will follow.

All surveyors who attend will be eligible to <u>accrue a total of 28 CE Credits</u>: 4 CE Credits for Tuesday, and 8 CE Credits each for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Surveyor members attending at least two full days of the seminar will be able to meet the requirement of one International Meeting. **Don't forget to sign in every morning and place your initials on the sheet on Thursday and Friday after lunch**.

The dress code for <u>all</u> functions will be "Business Casual." (Examples: short/long sleeve shirt, sweater, khaki pants, corduroy pants, dress jeans)

The conference is a great way to network with fellow surveyors you may know and gives you a chance to meet new ones. It's also a good way to share knowledge and information and serves as an avenue to create long-term relationships with mutual benefits.

Along with the Board and Regional Directors, I look forward to seeing you in Baltimore.

Sincerely,

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