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Maritime Staff Office

(Announcement)

Overseas Training Cruise 2025

The JMSDF will conduct Overseas Training Cruise 2025 as described below.

1. Objectives

- (1) To provide Trainees with on-the-job training opportunities through sea cruises that improve their practical knowledge and skills essential for junior officers, familiarizing them with the sea.
- (2) To have Trainees conduct exercises with foreign countries, improve understandings of the activities of these countries and develop an international sense through sailing in the South China Sea, etc
- (3) To promote friendship and goodwill with visiting countries and to contribute to the realization of the "Free and Open Indo-Pacific"

2. Period

February 14 - April 1

3. Participating units

- (1) Commanding Officer: CAPT YANAGIHARA Makoto, Commander of Training Division 1
- (2) Units: JS *ARIAKE* (DD109), JS *HAMAGIRI* (DD155)
- (3) Personnel:
Approx.450 persons, including graduates of the 58th General Officer Candidate Course

4. Ports of call

Republic of the Philippines (Manila), Malaysia (Port Kelang), Kingdom of Thailand (Laem Chabang)