

**Refugee Migration at Sea and Maritime Law**  
**Questionnaire**

**THE CURRENT REFUGEE and MIGRANT CRISIS**

**A. What measures were taken by your jurisdiction in relation to massive refugee/migrant flows?:**

**(i) In relation to the rescue from boats?**

**(ii) In relation to the landing of rescued persons from boats?**

**(iii) In relation to granting humanitarian protection/refugee status to those rescued?**

**B. Which authority (Department of State or Organisation) in your jurisdiction is responsible for implementing SAR activities?**

**(i) Which authority is responsible for deciding on the measures?**

**(ii) Which authority is responsible for providing support in implementing the measures?**

**(iii) Did your authority implement measures to transfer those rescued to the state of origin (i.e. the State from which they started their journey)?**

**(iv) Did your authority implement measures to transfer those rescued to the state whose they are nationals?**

**(v) Which authority or authorities is or are responsible for enforcing the various measures?**

**(vi) Were maritime administrations within your jurisdiction consulted in relation to decisions taken within your jurisdiction?**

**C. Are those who take decisions in your jurisdiction aware of the requirements of:**

**(i) Geneva Convention on the status of refugees (1951)?**

**(ii) The ILO Conventions (nos. 97 and 143)?**

**(iii) The SAR Convention?**

**D. In relation to free pratique:**

- (i) Are you aware if your jurisdiction has denied port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**
  
- (ii) Are you aware if the current COVID-19 pandemic impacted the behavior of your jurisdiction regarding port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**
  
- (iii) Are you aware if the the *most recent* Ebola outbreak(ongoing in the Democratic Republic of the Congo since August 2018) pandemic impacted the behavior of your jurisdiction regarding port access/free pratique to any vessel due to the fact that they carried rescued persons?**