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***Global Shipping Think Tank Alliance 4<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting, hosted by PolyU Maritime Library and R & D Centre, has taken place at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University with great success***



The Global Shipping Think Tank Alliance has been established since 2016 to gather famous shipping think tanks and research institutes in different regions of the world, set up a platform for exchange and cooperation, and promote interactions between shipping think tanks and the industry. The Alliance has currently 17 organization members from China, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, South Korea, UK and US. It has been the first time that the annual assembly of the Alliance takes place in Hong Kong.

Hosted by our Centre, the meeting kicked off with welcome speech and opening remarks by Dr. Meifeng Luo (Centre Director of PMLC), Mr. Yang Chang-ho (President of Korea Maritime Institute) and Prof. Yin Ming (Deputy Secretary-General of Shanghai International Shipping Institute). Two global shipping issues, namely ‘National/regional shipping industry developments: practices, policies, and challenges in digital era’ and ‘The Impact of global political and economic issues on shipping, ports and logistics and national/regional countermeasures facing trade protectionism, US-China trade dispute, Brexit etc.’ were being discussed. Participants shared their forward looking and insightful findings and views on the 2 issues with each other; the cross-region exchange and discussion have been fruitful.

Photo gallery of the meeting:

<https://lms.polyu.edu.hk/pmlc/about/photo-gallery/posts/2019/may/global-shipping-think-tank-alliance-4th-plenary-meeting/>

More news and reports on the meeting are available at:

<http://en.sisi-smu.org/index.php?c=article&id=17858>

<http://www.gstta.org/NewsDetail.aspx?id=128&type=6>