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## PIL awarded for outstanding search and rescue efforts

🏆🌐 PIL was awarded the International Safety@Sea (IS@S) Award yesterday at the 10th edition of the IS@S Week for our outstanding contributions to Search and Rescue efforts in 2022. IS@S Week is an annual event organised by the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA) that brings the maritime community together to discuss about maritime safety.

🚢🆘 The award was given in recognition of Capt. Sehic Edin and the crew of Kota Suria who responded to a distress message off West Africa in the Gulf of Guinea on 9 April 2022. Despite the security risks in this location, Kota Suria proceeded with the search and rescue mission. After a 4-hour search, they managed to locate and rescue the entire crew of a cargo vessel that had stopped at sea due to water ingress and flooding of the engine room. Kota Suria only resumed its voyage seven days later after all 16 rescued crew safely disembarked at Cape Town, South Africa.

PIL CEO Lars Kastrup and the then Master of Kota Suria, Capt. Sehic Edin, received the award from Mr Ishak Ismail, Chairman of the National Maritime Safety at Sea Council.

👏🌐 Kudos to Capt. Sehic and his crew for going out of their way to carry out this rescue! Your commendable efforts are testament of PIL's commitment in ensuring maritime safety and security. As a responsible shipping line, the PIL crew is prepared to render assistance in search and rescue operations when necessary!

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