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**2015 BIC Scholarship Award winners announced**

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The winners of the 2015 BIC Scholarships have been announced. The scholarship program was inaugurated this year to help support the container industry's leaders of tomorrow and to encourage continued focus on safety, security, standardization and sustainability in the intermodal container industry. Eligibility extends to university and maritime academy students enrolled in a program related to intermodal or marine transportation. Naval architecture and engineering students focusing on container technology are also eligible. Candidates were judged on the basis of academic achievement as well as an essay related to container safety, security, standardization or sustainability. Seven awards (five undergraduate and two graduate) were available for 2015.

**The undergraduate winners for 2015 were:**

Mr. Kam Wei Jie of Singapore

Mr. Ngai Chin Pang of Singapore

Mr. Goh Qing Sheng of Singapore

Mr. Alexander Gilmore of the United States

Mr. Conley Schroepfer of the United States

**The graduate winners for 2015 were:**

Ms. Fatoumatta Cassama of Gambia

Mr. Usman Saroni of Indonesia

Messrs. Kam and Ngai are majoring in Maritime Studies at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore; Mr. Goh studies Mechanical Engineering at the same school. Messrs. Gilmore and Schroepfer are cadets at the California Maritime Academy. Ms. Cassama is completing a MSc. in Maritime Safety and Environmental Administration at the World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden. Mr. Usman is completing a MSc in Shipping Management and Logistics at World Maritime University. Each award winner will receive a scholarship amount of 1500 euros to help pay for their studies.

The BIC wishes to congratulate the 2015 winners and to thank all of this year's candidates for their submissions.

**About the BIC:** Founded in 1933 as a neutral, non-profit, international organization, the BIC's mission is to promote the expansion of safe, secure, sustainable intermodal transportation. Since 1972 the BIC has been the official registration organization for international container owner prefixes, commonly known as BIC Codes. Now in its ninth decade of service to the transportation industry, the BIC continues to provide a vital link between its 2000+ members and standards bodies, authorities and other international organizations.

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