

*Notice*  
**Fourth Annual**  
**International Student Design Competition**  
**For Safe Affordable Ferries**  
*A project of the Worldwide Ferry Safety Association*

The goal of the Worldwide Ferry Safety Association ([www.ferrysafety.org](http://www.ferrysafety.org)) is to reduce ferry fatalities. The objective of the International Student Design competition is to reduce ferry fatalities with designs of safe affordable vessels.

For the past three years, awards have been made to student teams of \$10,000 annually, with the top prize each year being \$5000. An impressive roster of internationally recognized maritime professionals serve as judges. Awardees have been recognized at international maritime conferences and through widespread media reports. The competitions for 2013, 2014, and 2016-7 were to design respectively a passenger ferry for the Bangladesh river system, an inter-island RoPax for Papua New Guinea, and an inter-island RoPax for Indonesia. For 2017, the competition will be to design a passenger ferry for Thailand.

The 2017 Design Competition for a Safe Affordable Ferry will be focused on designing a passenger ferry for the Chao Phraya River in the city of Bangkok. The existing ferry route, a linear urban ferry, is an increasing popular type of ferry system in the progressively urbanizing world, used as a way to reduce congestion and increase access to residential and commercial areas.

Student teams who register between January 1 and February 15, 2017 will be provided with the Terms of Reference. Entries will be due on **April 15**; entries before that date are welcome. For questions kindly contact Dr. Roberta Weisbrod, executive director of the Worldwide Ferry Safety Association, at [ferrysafety@gmail.com](mailto:ferrysafety@gmail.com). Please register through [www.ferrysafetydesigncompetition.org](http://www.ferrysafetydesigncompetition.org).

Initial registration should be by the team captain, name, academic institution, address, phone number and email address; faculty advisor, name, address, phone number and email address, and other team members names and email addresses. (Team members may be modified at time of submission of design). Teams will be provided with a registration number and will receive the Terms of Reference for the vessel to be designed.