

## SPEAKER'S PROFILE

### **SESSION 3.1 Seafarers in a digitalized and automated shipping industry**

#### **Moderator**



**Fabrizio Barcellona**

**Assistant Section Secretary**

**Seafarers, Fisheries and Inland Navigation**

**International Transport Workers' Federation**

Fabrizio Barcellona graduated from the Istituto Nautico San Giorgio di Genova as a Cadet Engineer in 1984. Following his studies he spent two years in service in the Italian navy working on board both coastguard and search & rescue vessels as chief engineer. Fabrizio then spent the next years working as an engineer on board dry cargo, tankers and cruise vessels in both the public and private sectors.

In 1993, Fabrizio joined the ITF as an inspector in Italy and took on the role of coordinator in 1996. After four years he then moved to London to start work in the ITF London office where he has held several positions including head of the 'Actions' unit and Manager of the Maritime Operations team. In 2011 Fabrizio took up the position of Assistant Secretary of the ITF Seafarers, Fisheries and Inland Navigation sections where he assists the Secretary with all section political responsibilities and manages the day-to-day running of the team.

In 2020 Fabrizio was appointed to the role of Seafarers and Inland Navigation Sections Coordinator, primarily this role assist the ITF Affiliates to be represented at international level in a variety of fora , including the ILO and IMO amongst other organisations.

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## Speakers

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**Andreas Nordseth**

**Director General**

**Danish Maritime Authority**

Andreas Nordseth is Director General of the Danish Maritime Authority (DMA); a position he has held since 2009. The DMA is a Government agency under the Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs in Denmark.

Today Andreas Nordseth also holds numerous nominations and board positions. He is Chairman of the Administrative Board at the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) and Chairman of the Consultative Shipping Group. Andreas Nordseth is Governor at the World Maritime University (IMO) and a Board Member of the Danish Maritime Fund and the Advisory Board for Executive MBA in Shipping & Logistics at Copenhagen Business School.



**Mayte Medina**

**Chief**

**Maritime Personnel Qualifications Division**

**Commercial Regulations and Standards Directorate**

**U.S. Coast Guard**

**Chair of MSC**

Mayte has been working in the development and implementation of domestic and international maritime safety, security and environmental protection standards since 1990. Her experience includes development of standards for the U.S. Coast Guard, the Panama Maritime

Administration and various United Nations organizations including, the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the International Labor Organization (ILO), and the World Health Organization (WHO).

She has been with the U.S. Coast Guard since 1999, under various capacities. She is currently the Chief for the Office of Merchant Mariner Credential under the Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy, Directorate for Commercial Regulations and Standards. She develops and manages legislative, regulatory and policy issues concerning merchant vessel personnel and labor issues, including the United States compliance with the International Convention on Standards of Training Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, (STCW) 1978, and the Maritime Labor Convention (MLC), 2006. She

leads the United States delegations to the IMO on issues related to maritime safety and security, the ILO on maritime labor issues, and the WHO on maritime medical issues. She currently chairs the IMO Maritime Safety Committee.

She continues to distinguish herself as the domestic and international authority in the areas of seafarer training and credentialing, and maritime labor issues. Her advice and counsel is frequently sought by international organizations, industry and other administrations. She lends her expertise to the IMO and ILO, as an expert to assist other countries to establish their national infrastructures in compliance with international Conventions.

Prior to her career with the Coast Guard she worked as a technical advisor for the Panama Maritime Administration, the largest shipping registry. From there, she went to the Netherlands taking a job as the Managing Director for Global Maritime B.V., an engineering consulting firm. She also sailed as an Engineer Officer on board merchant vessels.

She holds a Masters in Quality Management Systems from the National Graduate School, and a Bachelor of Engineering, Marine Engineering Systems from the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, NY.

For her contributions to the seafaring community, she was awarded the Outstanding Friends of Seafarers Award in 2010 from the Seafarers and International House.

Mayte Medina was born and raised in Panama City, Panama. She is married to Rear Admiral Todd Wiemers, U.S. Coast Guard.



**Jeroen Deelen**

**Chief Operating Officer**

**Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement (BSM)**

With the Schulte Group since 2012, Jeroen Deelen currently holds the role of BSM Chief Operating Officer, ensuring that BSM operates in the most efficient manner, in accordance with global and regional marine legislations and standards, achieving predefined performance and quality levels in all operations, whilst ensuring safety and security of the marine personnel.

Previously, Jeroen served as Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Gas Tanker Director and Project Manager within the Schulte Group.

Jeroen's career started at sea on heavy lift vessels and has since gathered over 20 years of experience on shore in various segments including new building projects for container, dry bulk, offshore, gas fuel supply and LNG carriers.

He holds a Bachelor's in Maritime Operations (Deck and Engine) as well as a Master's in International Shipping (Law and Finance).

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**Khanssa Lagdami**

**ITF Seafarers Trust Assistant Professor**

**Maritime Labour Law & Policy**

**WMU**

Dr. Khanssa Lagdami is the ITF Seafarers Trust Assistant Professor in Maritime Labour Law and Policy at the World Maritime University. Dr. Lagdami is also the academic coordinator of the Maritime Welfare (Mari-Wel) program at WMU. Dr. Lagdami is also a lead member of the Future of Work program at WMU. Dr. Lagdami's strengths lie in maritime labour law, human rights at sea, maritime security and safety, and the future of work in the maritime sector. Her research and academic interests involve projects creation and management, capacity building, and training (especially for developing countries). Before joining WMU, Dr. Lagdami had the opportunity to teach international public law, the law of the sea, and maritime law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Nantes in France. She earned her doctorate in maritime law from the University of Nantes in France. Her multidisciplinary profile includes an M.Sc. in Maritime Affairs Management and an LL.M in International Comparative Law from the University of Perpignan in France.

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**Deog-hee Doh**

**President**

**Korea Maritime and Ocean University**

Dr. Doh is the President of Korea Maritime and Ocean University and is leading the Ocean Academy from which many CEOs and executive directors of small and medium sized manufactures of marine equipment had graduated. He is also responsible for coordinating the Kormarine Conference (<http://kormarineconferences.org>) since 2013. This conference is the sister convention of the KORMARINE (<http://www.kormarine.com>) which is one of the largest exhibitions in the field of marine sectors in Asia. Dr. Doh has maintained collaborative relationships with shipbuilding and maritime equipment companies in Korea for more than 20 years, with the aim of promoting the development of the Korean maritime industry. He recognizes the importance of establishing a sustainable foundation for the maritime industry to address future environmental pollution and energy shortages resulting from population growth, and he is dedicated to efforts in talent development towards this goal.

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**Haakon Storhaug**

**Coordinator of International Affairs**

**Norwegian Maritime Authority**

**Chair of HTW**

Mr Storhaug is a Senior Adviser and Coordinator of international affairs at the Norwegian Maritime Authority (NMA).

He graduated in 1989 with a Master of General Business, majoring in international shipping management, Norwegian School of Management. Furthermore, he was awarded a Master's degree in International Relations, from the University of Cambridge.

He joined the Norwegian Maritime Authority in 1990 as an advisor. He then joined the International Labour Office in Geneva from 1992 to 1995 as an Associate Expert in the Maritime Industries Branch, working mostly with technical cooperation projects in Mozambique and Tanzania, but also at various meetings at ILO headquarters.

He returned to the Norwegian Maritime Authority, coordinating technical cooperation activities in Mozambique and Namibia. From 2000 to 2006, he worked for the Seafarer section at NMA. During this time he was Deputy Head of Delegation for Norway at the MLC-negotiations from 2001 to 2006, and the development and adoption of ILO Convention No. 185 on Seafarers' ID.

He was Head of Delegation during the ILO Work in Fishing negotiations, which was adopted in 2007.

He has been Head of Delegation to IMO's HTW sub-committee since 2011. He is also Head of Delegation to III since FSI 17 in 2009. He has attended the Maritime Safety Committee since MSC 85.

He is an IMSAS Audit Team Leader.

He is Head of Delegation to the ILO's Special Tripartite Committee, and has attended all sessions of that Committee.

He was elected Chair of the HTW Sub-Committee in 2022.