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IMO NEWS & EVENTS

WHAT’S NEW

Tribute to late Mr. William O’Neil, IMO Secretary-General Emeritus

IMO Secretary-General, Mr. Kitack Lim, used the annual IMO Awards ceremony (2 November) as an opportunity to pay special tribute to the late Mr. William A. O’Neil, IMO Secretary-General Emeritus, who died in the United Kingdom on 29 October 2020, aged 93. Mr. O’Neil was Secretary-General of IMO from 1990 to 2003.

Mr. Lim welcomed those attending the 2022 IMO Awards Ceremony, the first time since before the COVID-19 pandemic that the Awards have been held in-person. Addressing the audience, which included Mr. O’Neil’s widow, Mr. Lim said Mr. O’Neil had made “a huge personal contribution to securing globally applicable safety, security and environmental standards,” during his 14 years as IMO Secretary-General. More...

Tanker chief officer Bo Xu receives 2022 IMO Bravery Award

The 2022 IMO Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea has been presented to Mr. Bo Xu, a chief officer from China who selflessly jumped from his oil tanker into freezing seas off northern China to save two individuals clinging to a life raft from a sinking cargo ship.

Mr. Bo Xu was honoured during the annual IMO Award ceremony (2 November 2022). Mr Xu, Chief Officer of the oil tanker Jian Qiao 502, was nominated for the award by China.

Accepting his award from IMO Secretary-General Kitack Lim to a standing ovation, Mr. Xu described the freezing waters and high waves during his “race against death” to save the people in distress. More...
MEETING SUMMARIES AND SCHEDULE

Previous Meetings

**Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 106)** – 2-11 November 2022

IMO Council (C 128) – 28 November - 2 December 2022

Forthcoming Meetings

Intersessional Working Group on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships (ISWG-GHG 13) – 5-9 December 2022

Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC 79) – 12-16 December 2022

RECENT SPEECHES BY IMO SECRETARY-GENERAL KITACK LIM

Council, 128th session, 28 November – 2 December 2022 (Opening remarks)

**UNCLOS 40th anniversary event** – 28 November 2022

**Nigeria International Maritime Summit** – 21 November 2022

**Saudi International Maritime Forum** – 15 November 2022

**IMO-UNCTAD-World Bank-Irena Side Event at COP27** – 10 November 2022

Maritime Safety Committee (MSC 106) – 2-11 November 2022 (Opening and Closing remarks)

**IMO Awards ceremony 2022** – 2 November 2022

More ...

IMO PUBLISHING

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UNITED NATIONS

UN chief: Countries bound for COP27 must make climate action ‘the top global priority’. UN News. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129127 As government representatives begin to finalize the agenda for the COP27 climate change conference in Egypt next month, the UN chief told journalists in New York that the work ahead is “as immense as the climate impacts we are seeing around the world”.


Ukraine: UN General Assembly demands Russia reverse course on ‘attempted illegal annexation’. UN News. 12 October 2022. Available from: https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129492 The UN General Assembly passed a resolution by a large majority on Wednesday, calling on countries not to recognise the four regions of Ukraine which Russia has claimed, following so-called referendums held late last month, and demanding that Moscow reverse course on its “attempted illegal annexation”.


Secretary-General Welcomes Settling of Maritime Boundary Dispute between Lebanon, Israel, Says Encouraging Development Can Promote Region’s Stability. United Nations. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://press.un.org/en/2022/sgsm21530.doc.htm The Secretary-General welcomes the announcements that the Governments of Lebanon and Israel have formally agreed to settle their maritime boundary dispute, as mediated by the United States.

Guterres calls for ‘sustained political commitment’ for a healthier world. UN News. 16 October 2022. Available from: https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129577 The UN chief on Sunday called for governments worldwide to prioritize healthcare, in a call to make a “sustained political commitment” so their countries can be better prepared against future shocks, in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic.


Secretary-General Urges Renewal, Full Implementation of Black Sea Grain Initiative, Noting Resultant Food Price Drop Has Saved 100 Million People from Extreme Poverty. United Nations. 28 October 2022. Available from: https://press.un.org/en/2022/sgsm21556.doc.htm The Secretary-General expresses his unwavering commitment and strong support to the renewal and full implementation of the Black Sea Grain Initiative, as well as for the full implementation of the agreement signed with the Russian Federation.

UN Secretary-General António Guterres has reaffirmed his "unwavering commitment" to agreements aimed at ensuring that grain and fertilizers from Ukraine and the Russian Federation reach global markets at the speed and price needed to avert a global food crisis and ensure food security.

UN chief ‘deeply concerned’ by stalled Black Sea Grain Initiative. *UN News.* 30 October 2022. Available from: [https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1130022](https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1130022) UN Secretary-General António Guterres has expressed deep concern at Russia’s decision to suspend its involvement in the Black Sea Grain Initiative, a deal set up to reintroduce vital food and fertilizer exports from Ukraine to the rest of the world.
CASUALTIES

How many containers will we lose this year? Tom Bebbington. Seatrade Maritime News. 29 September 2022. Available from: https://www.seatrade-maritime.com/containers/how-many-containers-will-we-lose-year There are many theories surrounding the reasons for increased losses in containers, ranging from increased severity of weather caused by climate change, larger vessels that are loaded beyond the cargo securing manuals, and poor passage planning or decision making when approaching bad weather amongst them.


Shipping traffic halted following Crimea bridge attack. Sam Chambers. Splash 247.com. 10 October 2022. Available from: https://splash247.com/shipping-traffic-halted-following-crimea-bridge-attack/ Shipping from the Sea of Azov to international markets came to a standstill over the weekend in the wake of the attack that took out part of the bridge linking the Crimean peninsula with mainland Russia.

Okeanis VLCC undamaged after Yemen drone attack. Vincent Wee. Lloyd’s List. 24 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142739/ An Okeanis Eco Tankers very large crude carrier was undamaged from the effects of a drone attack while it was loading oil at Ash Shihir terminal off Yemen.


Indonesian passenger boat carrying 240 catches fire; 14 dead. Associated Press. 25 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/indonesia-fires-246d3d4b2c552e31a2296c008d49cd89 A passenger boat carrying 240 people caught fire Monday off southern Indonesia, killing 14, rescue officials said.

ENVIRONMENT


Finding the invisible traces of shipping in marine clouds. Nature. 5 October 2022. Available from: https://www.nature.com/articles/d41586-022-03026-7 A study of shipping’s influence on clouds suggests that aerosols could have a large impact on climate by increasing the amount of water contained in clouds.


Defying expectations, CO2 emissions from global fossil fuel combustion are set to grow in 2022 by only a fraction of last year’s big increase. International Energy Agency (IEA). 19 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3FCg1Ho Despite concerns about the effects of the current energy crisis, global carbon dioxide (CO2) emissions from fossil fuel combustion are expected to grow by just under 1% this year, only a small fraction of their increase last year, as a strong expansion of renewables and electric vehicles prevents a much sharper rise.

Whale’s majestic move brings dramatic end to marine rescue off Canada. BBC News. 22 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-us-canada-63353569 After receiving multiple calls about a humpback whale entangled in 300ft (91m) of fishing gear and a buoy, Canadian officials dispatched a marine rescue team.

North Atlantic right whale’s population decline slows, but numbers still fell over past year. Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC). 24 October 2022. Available from: https://www.cbc.ca/news/science/right-whale-population-1.6627223 The decline of an endangered species of whale slowed last year, as it lost about two per cent of its population, but scientists warn the animal still faces existential threats and is losing breeding females too fast.


Questions and Answers on New Air Quality Rules. European Commission. 26 October 2022. Available from: https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/qanda_22_6348 About 300 000 premature deaths per year and a significant number of non-communicable diseases such as asthma, cardiovascular problems and lung cancer are attributed to air pollution.

Climate Plans Remain Insufficient: More Ambitious Action Needed Now. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). 26 October 2022. Available from: https://unfccc.int/news/climate-plans-remain-insufficient-more-ambitious-action-needed-now A new report from UN Climate Change shows countries are bending the curve of global greenhouse gas emissions downward but underlines that these efforts remain insufficient to limit global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius by the end of the century.

2022 NDC Synthesis Report

COP27: Prioritise climate or face catastrophe - UN chief. Georgina Rannard. BBC News. 26 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-63403323 Countries must re-prioritise climate change or the world faces catastrophe, the UN chief has told BBC News. Full Interview with UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

Tackling Climate Change. BBC News. 26 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/l00567ch/tackling-climate-change Your global climate questions are put to UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres.

Cross-border investment in climate change mitigation and adaptation is projected to decline in 2022 against the backdrop of a global investment downturn, according to a new report published by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) on 27 October.


National pledges to reduce harmful emissions offer little hope of avoiding climate disaster, UN climate experts said on Thursday, in an urgent appeal for a radical transformation of the energy sector, before it’s too late.


The report is the 13th edition in an annual series that provides an overview of the difference between where greenhouse emissions are predicted to be in 2030 and where they should be to avert the worst impacts of climate change.

**ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION**


Methane escaping from the damaged Nord Stream pipelines that run between Russia and Europe is likely to result in the biggest known gas leak to take place over a short period of time and highlights the problem of large methane escapes elsewhere around the world, scientists say.


New research suggests that plastic could contribute to ocean acidification, especially in highly polluted coastal areas, through the release of organic chemical compounds and carbon dioxide, both of which can lower the pH of seawater.


For years the question of what to do with old fishing nets was a real headache.


Carcinogenic fuel, explosives and chemical weapons are leaking into the seas from sunken naval vessels.
HEALTH & SAFETY


Covid outbreak on *Ruby Princess* ‘not an accident’ and cruise should never have sailed, court told. *The Guardian*. 12 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3VMKubp The companies operating the *Ruby Princess* cruise ship have rejected allegations they were responsible for the 2020 Covid outbreak that led to the deaths of 28 people.


IMO


What did we wish for when we cut sulphur in marine fuel – accelerated global warming?


IMO secretary-general to engage govt, private sector on blue economy at NIMS.


Transport Minister urges IMO to support players in the maritime industry. GhanaWeb. 17 October 2022. Available from: https://www.ghanaweb.com/GhanaHomePage/business/Transport-Minister-urges-IMO-to-support-players-in-the-maritime-industry-1644227 The Minister for Transport, Kwaku Ofori Asiamah has urged the IMO to provide full support to players in the maritime industry to achieve a safer, more secure and greener industry.

Minister Woos IMO To Support Maritime Industry Players. Ghana Report. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://www.theguardianreport.com/minister-woos-imo-to-support-maritime-industry-players/ Minister for Transport, Kwaku Ofori Asiamah, has urged the International Maritime Organisation, to provide full support to the players in the maritime industry to achieve a safer, more secure and greener industry.


How to digest the IMO’s alphabet soup of rules. Harry Papachristou. TradeWinds. 21 October 2022. Available from: https://www.tradewindsnews.com/twplus/how-to-digest-the-imo-s-alphabet-soup-of-rules/2-1-1321765 Analysts and programmers throughout the industry have been feverishly putting together software to help existing clients make sense of the changes to come and churning out commentaries.
IMO: We need all hands on deck for just and inclusive transition to low-carbon shipping. Fatima Bahtić. Offshore Energy. 21 October 2022. Available from: https://www.offshore-energy.biz/imo-we-need-all-hands-on-deck-for-just-and-inclusive-transition-to-low-carbon-shipping/ Decarbonizing international shipping is a priority issue for the IMO and we need all hands on deck to support the maritime sector’s energy transition, IMO’s Secretary General Kitack Lim emphasized at the Second IMO Symposium on low-and zero-carbon fuels for shipping.

IMO World Maritime Day Parallel Event: South Africa brings the shine. South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA). 21 October 2022. Available from: https://blog.samsa.org.za/2022/10/21/imo-world-maritime-day-parallel-event-south-africa-brings-the-shine/ Seafarers’ working conditions and welfare, advancement of technologies to combat shipping transport carbon emissions, sustained closer collaboration among maritime countries, clear strategies and standards on management and combating of the spread of communicable diseases were among topics featuring prominently during the IMO World Maritime Day Parallel Event held in Durban, South Africa over four days a week ago.


How updating IMO regulations can promote lower greenhouse gas emissions from ships. Bryan Comer and Bharadwaj Sathiamoorthy. International Council on Clean Transportation (ICCT). 27 October 2022. Available from: https://theicct.org/publication/marine-imo-eedi-oct22/ As currently designed, the International Maritime Organization (IMO)’s Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) requires only that new ships emit less CO2 over time and does not cover emissions of other greenhouse gases (GHGs), including potent ones such as methane. Working Paper 2022-34.

LAW & POLICY


Denmark and Belgium sign landmark agreement for CO2 transport. Offshore Energy. 30 September 2022. Available from: https://www.offshore-energy.biz/denmark-and-belgium-sign-landmark-agreement-for-co2-transport/ Denmark, Flanders and Belgium have signed an agreement to cooperate on the transport of CO2 between the two countries with a view to permanent geological storage.

Amid rising seas, island nations push for legal protections. Lagipoiva Cherelle Jackson. Associated Press. 30 September 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/united-nations-general-assembly-international-law-samoa-apia-257d5ce0d5123b7056f8f75a5d5bb When and if an island nation fully submerges due to rising seas, what happens to the nationalities of its citizens?

A&B hosts two-day high-level meeting on Sustainable Use of Living Marine Resources. Antigua Observer (Antigua and Barbuda). 2 October 2022. Available from: https://antiguaobserver.com/ab-hosts-two-day-high-level-meeting-on-sustainable-use-of-living-marine-resources/ The 21st Meeting of Fisheries Ministers within the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) will open at 9am today at the Trade Winds Hotel.


Policy mistakes could trigger worse recession than 2007 crisis: UNCTAD. UN News. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129142 The world is headed towards a global recession and prolonged stagnation unless fiscal and monetary policies holding sway in some advanced economies are quickly changed, according to a new report released on Monday by the UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).


Lack of funding in focus as Congo hosts pre-COP27 climate talks. Sonia Rolly. Reuters. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://www.reuters.com/business/environment/lack-funding-focus-congo-hosts-pre-cop27-climate-talks-2022-10-03/ High-level speakers at climate talks in Kinshasa called out rich nations on Monday for failing to honour a $100 billion per year funding pledge to developing countries, warning that fair finance was needed to avert the worst of the climate crisis.

Ukraine in Tough Grain Talks to Ensure Exports Past Next Month. Aliaksandr Kudrytski and Daryna Krasnolutska. Bloomberg. 4 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bnnbloomberg.ca/ukraine-in-tough-grain-talks-to-ensure-exports-past-next-month-11828064 Ukraine is holding tough talks to ensure grain continues flowing from its Black Sea ports even after a deal on such exports expires next month, a key adviser said.

UN puts oil traders’ ‘super profits’ in its sights. Paul Peachey. TradeWinds. 4 October 2022. Available from: https://www.tradewindsnews.com/tankers/un-puts-oil-traders-super-profits-in-its-sights21325704 The United Nations called on Monday for a “radical” overhaul of financial regulations designed to limit the profits of oil companies, financiers and major traders such as Vitol and Trafigura following commodity price shocks.

Ukraine war: EU countries agree new sanctions on Russia that includes a price cap on Russian oil. Jorge Liboreiro. Euronews. 5 October 2022. Available from: https://www.euronews.com/my-europe/2022/10/05/ukraine-war-eu-countries-agree-new-sanctions-on-russia-that-includes-a-price-cap-on-russia The European Union has approved new sanctions against Russia, including a price cap on the maritime trade of Russian oil.


Question for Conservation Efforts: 200 Miles from Shore, Who’s in Charge? University of Connecticut (US). 6 October 2022. Available from: https://today.uconn.edu/2022/10/how-do-we-conserve-the-high-seas/ Overfishing, pollution, acidification, biodiversity loss, oil, gas, and minerals mining are just a few of the problems facing the world’s oceans based on different forms of human use and impacts.


Sweden seizes evidence at Baltic Sea pipeline leak site. Jan M. Olsen. Associated Press. 6 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/russia-ukraine-business-crime-denmark-security-services-500536a756145a82a13925bb73d5583 Sweden’s domestic security agency said Thursday that its preliminary investigation of leaks from two Russian gas pipelines in the Baltic Sea “has strengthened the suspicions of serious sabotage” as the cause and a prosecutor said evidence at the site has been seized.

FACT SHEET: The United States’ National Strategy for the Arctic Region. The White House. 7 October 2022. Available from: https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/10/07/fact-sheet-the-united-states-national-strategy-for-the-arctic-region/ The Arctic—home to more than four million people, extensive natural resources, and unique ecosystems—is undergoing a dramatic transformation. National Strategy for The Arctic Region 🎧

U.S. Sanctions Companies Over North Korean Ship-to-Ship Transfers. gCaptain. 7 October 2022. Available from: https://gcaptain.com/u-s-sanctions-companies-over-sanctions-busting-ship-to-ship-transfers/ The United States on Friday imposed new sanctions following North Korea’s latest missile launches this week, targeting a fuel procurement network that Washington said supports Pyongyang’s weapons programs and its military.


Egypt urged to ensure civil society’s full participation in COP27 climate summit. UN News. 7 October 2022. Available from: https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129332 Authorities in Egypt must ensure civil society can safely and fully participate in the COP27 UN climate change conference taking place there next month, a group of UN independent human rights experts said on Friday, expressing alarm over restrictions ahead of the summit.


States adopt net-zero 2050 global aspirational goal for international flight operations. International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). 7 October 2022. Available from: https://www.icao.int/Newsroom/Pages/States-adopts-netzero-2050-aspirational-goal-for-international-flight-operations.aspx Culminating 2 weeks of intensive diplomacy by over 2500 delegates from 184 States and 57 organizations at the 41st ICAO Assembly, ICAO Member States adopted a collective long-term global aspirational goal (LTAG) of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050.
**HMS Montrose**: Royal Navy seizes drugs worth £15m in Arabian Sea. Marita Moloney. 
Hundreds of kilograms of crystal methamphetamine were recovered from the dhow by the crew of **HMS Montrose** in a six-hour operation.


In fewer than 30 days, the caravan of climate negotiators, ministers, heads of state, media, industry, and financiers will descend on Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt for the 27th round of climate negotiations (COP27).

**Danish Maritime Authority “takes note” of decision in Norden case about fake logbooks.** Dag Holmstad. *ShippingWatch*. 10 October 2022. Available from: [https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14479740.ece](https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14479740.ece)
The Danish Maritime Authority, which in March last year asked the police to investigate whether carrier **Norden** had violated both maritime regulation and the penal code in relation to a case about fake logbooks, now “takes note” of the decision in the case, the authority writes to ShippingWatch.

The Parliamentary Committee on Transport, Communications and Works, which examined the issue, says the purpose is to create a new type of corporate entity called a “shipping company of limited liability,” which will be established as a limited liability company with the sole purpose being the ownership and operation of Cypriot ships.

Crises, challenges and competitiveness, according to the strapline for the Cyprus Maritime Conference, are the three Cs shaping the development of shipping and logistics.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has cut its global growth forecast for 2023 as economic pressures collide, from the war in Ukraine, high energy and food prices and sharply higher interest rates.

Global economic activity is experiencing a broad-based and sharper-than-expected slowdown, with inflation higher than seen in several decades. [Countering the Cost-Of-Living Crisis](https://www.imf.org/en/Topics/Cost-Of-Living-Crisis)

Israel announced on Tuesday morning that it had reached a “historic” agreement with Lebanon over the maritime border between the two countries in gas-rich Mediterranean waters.


Both Ukraine and Russia have strong motivations to see the extension of a landmark deal that has enabled exporting grains from Ukraine and preventing a global food crisis, Amir Abdulla, U.N. Coordinator for the Black Sea Grain Initiative, said as the deal approaches its deadline.


This annual Energy Transition Outlook (ETO), now in its 6th edition, presents the results from our independent model of the world’s energy system. Report


The perfect storm of crises hitting the world has strong trade dimensions, hence trade solutions must be at the heart of global efforts to respond to the challenges, UNCTAD Secretary-General Rebeca Grynspan said on 13 October.


As Egypt prepares to host the 2022 United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP27) climate conference in November, the spotlight is once again being thrown on the massive challenges Africa faces in tackling climate change and, also, the opportunities it may create.


A lack of transparency in the global fishing sector is enabling illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing.


Former shipping minister Nusrat Ghani urges shipping to take up government innovation grants to fuel growth.


During his recent visit to Bahrain, Keith Svendsen, CEO of APM Terminals, discussed with His Excellency Mr. Mohammed bin Thamer Al Kaabi, Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications, the joint efforts the company and Bahraini government are undertaking to further develop the maritime sector in the Kingdom and strengthen the role of Khalifa Bin Salman Port as a major hub in the Gulf, strongly contributing to Bahraini economy.
COP27: Pacific activists will push for loss and damage fund for grassroots communities.

Proposal to grant the ocean rights calls for a sea change in legal framework. Elizabeth Claire Alberts. *Mongabay*. 14 October 2022. Available from: https://www.mongabay.com/2022/10/proposal-to-grant-the-ocean-rights-calls-for-a-sea-change-in-legal-framework/ The idea is simple but ambitious: protect the ocean by giving it the same kind of rights a person might have.


Trade outlook 2023: slow steaming in rough waters. Rico Luman and Inga Fechner. *ING Bank N.V.* 14 October 2022. Available from: https://think.ing.com/articles/trade-outlook-slow-steaming-in-rough-waters-what-to-expect-in-2023 So far this year, global merchandise trade has held up extremely well given the volatile and uncertain environment, with world goods trade standing at 4.7% year-to-date (January to July) according to CPB world trade data.

#Journey to COP27: Pacific Women negotiators state their case for 1.5 world. *Secretariat of the Pacific Regional Environment Programme (SPREP)*. 15 October 2022. Available from: https://www.sprep.org/news/journey-to-cop27-pacific-women-negotiators-state-their-case-for-1-5-world With the Pacific having already cemented its priority thematic areas ahead of the global conference, women negotiators who attended the Pacific Small Island States (PSIDS) COP27 Preparatory Meeting in Apia on 26 – 29 September 022 want, among other things, clear progress on turning pledges and commitments into urgent, bold and tangible action, consistent with the 1.5 degrees pathway.

UAE tackles challenges, opportunities of the international maritime sector. *Gulf Today (UAE)*. 16 October 2022. Available from: https://www.gulftoday.ae/business/2022/10/16/uae-tackles-challenges-opportunities-of-the-international-maritime-sector The UAE has always been one of the most influential countries in developing the maritime sector; occupying a competitive status among the best maritime hubs worldwide.


The lawlessness of the oceans provides space to absurd and remarkable stories of renegades and mavericks of all sorts seeking to escape national sovereignty.


Murder at Sea. Sarah Tory. *Hakai Magazine*. 18 October 2022. Available from: [https://hakaimagazine.com/features/murder-at-sea](https://hakaimagazine.com/features/murder-at-sea) On a clear September 2012 afternoon in the middle of the Indian Ocean, far from the coast of Somalia, the crew of a traditional Arab boat called a dhow is tending to their fishing nets when four much larger commercial longliners close in.


EU policymakers pass new bill on shipping’s green fuels. Tomas Kristiansen. *ShippingWatch*. 19 October 2022. Available from: [https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14509049.ece](https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14509049.ece) The European Parliament has agreed on one of the cornerstones of efforts to reduce CO2 emissions from shipping – the so-called FuelEU Maritime package, which is to raise the bar for how much of a ship’s fuel should be green and when it may be deemed green in the future.
UN says yes to Comite Maritime International on ship sale treaty. Bob Rust. TradeWinds. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://www.tradewindsnews.com/regulation/un-says-yes-to-comite-maritime-international-on-ship-sale-treaty/2-1-1337735 In January, the UN General Assembly will formally adopt a convention to prevent judicially sold ships from being rearrested in other countries, an agreement that has been backed by many relevant shipping and legal bodies.


Russia to review working with U.N. chief if he inspects drones in Ukraine. Michelle Nichols. Reuters. 20 October 2022. Available from: https://www.reuters.com/article/ukraine-crisis-un-drones-idCAKBN2RE222 Russia said on Wednesday that it will reassess cooperation with U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres if he sends experts to Ukraine to inspect drones that Western powers say were made in Iran and used by Moscow in violation of a U.N. resolution.

Tehran, Baku emphasize need to preserve Caspian Sea. Tehran Times (Iran). 21 October 2022. Available from: https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/477809/Tehran-Baku-emphasize-need-to-preserve-Caspian-Sea In a meeting held in Baku on Friday, the two officials emphasized the need for developing and deepening relations and cooperation between the two countries in all fields.


Black Sea Grain Initiative ‘exceeds expectations’ but challenges lie ahead. International Chamber of Shipping (ICS). 24 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.ics-shipping.org/news-item/black-sea-grain-initiative-exceeds-expectations/](https://www.ics-shipping.org/news-item/black-sea-grain-initiative-exceeds-expectations/) The Black Sea Grain Initiative has moved rocketing volumes of cargo but faces ship inspection challenges and has been unable to solve the trapped seafarer crisis.


Korean, Pacific islands FMss discuss climate, maritime cooperation in Busan. Korea Times. 26 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2022/10/113_338593.html](https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/nation/2022/10/113_338593.html) The top diplomats of Korea and 14 Pacific Island Countries (PICs) held talks Wednesday in the southern port of Busan to discuss ways to bolster cooperation in diverse regional issues, including climate change.


Loss and Damage: Why climate reparations are top of the agenda at COP27. World Economic Forum. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2022/10/cop27-why-climate-reparations-are-one-of-the-biggest-issues/ This year’s climate summit will be a key milestone for multistakeholder actions and partnerships across the five key issues of nature, food, water, industry decarbonisation and climate adaptation.


Infrastructure Ministry: Ukraine ready to continue exporting grain to ensure food security. Ukrinform (Ukraine). 29 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3BqqLGA Ukraine remains a reliable partner for the civilized world and is ready to continue shipping agricultural products to ensure global food security.


Russia suspends Ukraine grain deal over ship attack claim. Andrew Meldrum. Associated Press. 30 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/russia-ukraine-europe-government-and-politics-3b563bd6f79f815c7e9f33505dd25334 Russia announced Saturday that it will immediately suspend its implementation of a U.N.-brokered grain deal that has seen more than 9 million tons of grain exported from Ukraine during the war and has brought down soaring global food prices.

Ukraine war: Russia halts grain deal after ‘massive’ Black Sea Fleet attack. BBC News. 30 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-63439760 Russia has announced it is suspending its involvement in the internationally-brokered deal that allows Ukraine to export grain from its Black Sea ports.

U.N., Turkey, Ukraine press ahead with Black Sea grain deal despite Russian pullout.
Pavel Polityuk and Michelle Nichols. Reuters. 30 October 2022. Available from: https://www.reuters.com/world/europe/russia-suspends-participation-deal-ukraine-grain-exports-tass-2022-10-29/ ©. The United Nations, Turkey and Ukraine are pressing ahead to implement a Black Sea grain deal with a transit plan in place for 16 ships on Monday, despite Russia suspending its participation in the pact that has allowed the export of Ukrainian agricultural products to world markets.

Information Note from the United Nations Secretariat at the Joint Coordination Centre.
United Nations in Türkiye. 30 October 2022. Available from: https://turkiye.un.org/en/205240-information-note-united-nations-secretariat-joint-coordination-centre During the session, the delegation of the Russian Federation informed that while it suspends its participation in the implementation of the activities of the Initiative, including in inspections, for an indefinite time, it will continue the dialogue with the United Nations and the Turkish delegation on pressing issues.


MARINE TECHNOLOGY


ABB Decoded – Technologies for greener shipping. ABB. 29 September 2022. Available from: https://global.abb/group/en/media/podcasts/abb-decoded © In a fast-changing world, it can be hard to keep up with the latest developments in technology and sustainability.


GCMD, OGCI and Stena Bulk initiate project to demonstrate end-to-end shipboard carbon capture at scale. *Global Centre for Maritime Decarbonization (GCMD).* 5 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.gcformd.org/gcmd-investigates-shipboard-carbon-capture](https://www.gcformd.org/gcmd-investigates-shipboard-carbon-capture)  The Global Centre for Maritime Decarbonisation (GCMD), the Oil and Gas Climate Initiative (OGCI) and Stena Bulk today initiated the first stage of a two-year, three-phase project to demonstrate shipboard carbon capture at scale.


Potential of Ammonia as Fuel in Shipping. *European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).* 6 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/latest-news/item/4833](https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/latest-news/item/4833)  Among the broad spectrum of technologies and fuel solutions ship designers, builders, owners and operators, anhydrous ammonia (NH3) has been identified as a potential long-term fuel that could enter the market relatively quickly and offer a zero, or a near-zero, carbon solution (on a tank-to-wake basis and in some cases on a well-to-wake basis) irrespective of the origin of the fuel. [Report](#)

Update on Potential of Biofuels for Shipping. *European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).* 6 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/latest-news/item/4834](https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/latest-news/item/4834)  Among the broad spectrum of technology and fuel-solution pathways available for ship designers, builders, owners and operators, biofuels potentially offer medium and long-term marine fuel alternatives that can enter the market relatively quickly; they also offer the potential, if sustainability criteria are met, to reduce carbon output compared to traditional carbon-based fossil fuels. [Report](#)

EMSA sniffer drone supports French authorities to monitor ship emissions on Mediterranean Sea coast. *European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA).* 6 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/press-releases/item/4832](https://www.emsa.europa.eu/newsroom/press-releases/item/4832)  EMSA has responded to a request from the French authorities to provide surveillance support for multiple tasks including the monitoring of emissions from passenger and commercial ships using the busy ports in the area of Marseille (Port of Marseille, Port of Fos).
Shippers focus on LNG, biofuels, methanol to meet emissions targets. Jeslyn Lerh. Reuters. 10 October 2022. Available from: https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/shippers-focus-lng-biofuels-methanol-meet-emissions-targets-2022-10-07/ Shipping and commodities firms will commission more ships partly powered by liquefied natural gas (LNG) next year while ramping up trials for biofuel bunkering as they seek to cut emissions from ship operations, senior executives said this week.

KSOE partnering with Shell and others to test hydrogen power on sea transportation. Pulse (South Korea). 11 October 2022. Available from: https://pulsenews.co.kr/view.php?year=2022&no=897029 South Korea’s largest shipyard Hyundai Heavy Industries Group is collaborating with global energy companies to employ fuel cells to power large container ships in line with the stricter environmental guidelines.


Off spec fuels can cost ship operators as much as $50,000 per incident. Lloyd’s Register. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://www.lr.org/en/latest/news/off-compliant-fuel-mean-testing-times-for-ship-operators/ Lloyd’s Register, in collaboration with marine innovation consultancy Thetius, has published a new report into the market, technology, and regulatory trends of fuel oil bunkering as the industry navigates its way through the decarbonisation and digitalisation challenges of the 21st century.


Public-private supply chain tie-ups will be key to unlocking green fuels. Guy Platten and Patrick Verhoeven. TradeWinds. 17 October 2022. Available from: https://www.tradewindsnews.com/opinion/public-private-supply-chain-tie-ups-will-be-key-to-unlocking-green-fuels/2-1-1334339 As the global economy begins to transition away from traditional fossil fuels, governments are making major announcements about supporting hydrogen and other low-carbon fuels.

12/2022—Requirements for the use of exhaust gas cleaning systems in Australian waters. Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA). 17 October 2022. Available from: https://www.amsa.gov.au/122022-requirements-use-exhaust-gas-cleaning-systems-australian-waters The purpose of this marine notice is to advise vessel owners, operators and masters of Australia’s requirements for the use of Exhaust Gas Cleaning Systems to support compliance with the sulphur limit of 0.50 mass per cent concentration (m/m) in fuel oil as required by the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) Annex VI and Australia’s domestic law.

New research highlights an urgent need for the transport sector to collaborate and scale sustainable fuels. World Benchmarking Alliance. 17 October 2022. Available from: https://www.worldbenchmarkingalliance.org/news/transport-benchmark-pr-2022/ The World Benchmarking Alliance’s new Transport Benchmark highlights an urgent need for the sector to work together to develop and scale sustainable alternatives to fossil fuels. 2022 Transport Benchmark


Odfjell: Shipping will have to compete heavily for alternative fuels. Jasmina Ovcina Mandra. Offshore Energy. 26 October 2022. Available from: https://www.offshore-energy.biz/odfjell-shipping-will-have-to-compete-heavily-for-alternative-fuels/ The discussion around the decarbonization of the shipping industry is moving into a new stage and the issue is no longer around whether to decarbonize, but rather how to decarbonize the sector as efficiently and sustainably as possible.

EU aims for quick clarification on green fuels to add pressure on IMO. Tomas Kristiansen. ShippingWatch. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14529839.ece Carriers should prepare for having to fill at least 2 percent of green fuel in tanks from 2025, because on this particular point, there seems to be consensus in the European Union when it comes to regulation for how to promote the green energy transition within shipping.

MARITIME EDUCATION & TRAINING


Port of Durban hosts 300 pupils for maritime career open day. Yogashen Pillay. IOL - Independent Online (South Africa). 3 October 2022. Available from: https://www.iol.co.za/mercury/news/port-of-durban-hosts-300-pupils-for-maritime-career-open-day-cb5346c0-0c2d-42bb-912e-e96b4696893f Durban port manager Mpumi Dweba–Kwetana said the aim of the career day was to raise awareness about the many maritime careers available, with the hope of planting a “maritime seed” at an early stage of the pupils’ education.

Richardson On Bermuda Maritime Academy. Bernews (Bermuda). 3 October 2022. Available from: https://bernews.com/2022/10/richardson-on-bermuda-maritime-academy/ Bermuda Shipping and Maritime Authority CEO Francis Richardson said that the BSMA has worked “closely with the principles of the Bermuda Maritime Academy since its inception, and we have been very pleased to provide advice and support as it has been requested by them.”

Platten: Hundreds of thousands of seafarers will need training to be able to handle new fuels. Jasmina Ovcina Mandra. Offshore Energy. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3VSNfIr Hundreds of thousands of seafarers will require some type of new training by 2050 to be able to handle fuels such as ammonia, hydrogen or methanol and a significant number by 2030, initial findings of a massive study commissioned by the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) show.

‘Lankan seafarers capable of bringing $ 1 billion annually into the country, provided they are adequately trained’. Hiran H. Senewiratne. *The Island (Sri Lanka)*. 6 October 2022. Available from: https://island.lk/lankan-seafarers-capable-of-bringing-1-billion-annually-into-the-country-provided-they-are-adequately-trained/ Sri Lankan seafarers generate around US $ 300 million per year and that amount could be increased to US $ one billion if our seafarers are properly trained for overseas maritime related jobs, Vice President, Maritime, International Cooperation & Foreign Projects, CINEC Campus, Capt. Peshala Medagama said.

**Maritime industry jobs will get to benefit from remote operation centres.** Ross Macfarlane. *Gulf News (UAE)*. 7 October 2022. Available from: https://gulfnews.com/business/analysis/maritime-industry-jobs-will-get-to-benefit-from-remote-operationcentres-1.9112207 In a recent report by Dell, and authored by the Institute for the Future (IFTF), 85 per cent of jobs that will exist in 2030 have not been invented yet.

**Carriers must fight harder for highly skilled employees.** Daniel Logan. *ShippingWatch*. 10 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/people/article14477881.ece Shipping companies need specialized employees, but competition for talents is hard and only set to become even harder in the coming years where shipping will have to headhunt outside the sector’s usual hunting grounds to an increasing degree.


**Container giants need to highlight flexibility to attract skilled employees.** *ShippingWatch*. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/people/article14492334.ece Major container carriers are now competing directly with other global industries such as the tech industry, pharmaceutical companies, and other transportation sectors over employees that can assist companies with moving into more sustainable and digital directions.

**Firm welcomes gov’t moves to upskill seafarers.** *Philippine News Agency (PNA)*. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1186103 As the maritime industry shifts towards decarbonization and digitalization, officials of a leading maritime recruitment and fleet management firm said government policies that would further improve Filipino seafarers’ skills are “very much welcome.”


**SVG Coast Guard Officer graduates from international maritime law institute.** Chevanev Charles. *St. Vincent Times (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)*. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://www.stvincenttimes.com/svg-coast-guard-officer-graduates-from-international-maritime-law-institute/ Congratulations are extended to Petty Officer Mr Dwight Lewis on graduating with distinction and honours with a degree in international maritime law from the International Maritime Law Institute.
Support professional training at RMU – Maritime industry stakeholders urged. News Ghana. 25 October 2022. Available from: https://newsghana.com.gh/support-professional-training-at-rmu-maritime-industry-stakeholders-urged/ Mr Carlos K. Ahenkorah, Member of Parliament for Tema West, has called on stakeholders in the Maritime industry to allocate a budget to support the training of maritime professionals at the Regional Maritime University (RMU).


ABS Opens LNG Training Center in Doha for Qatari Seafarers. MarineLink. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://www.marinelink.com/news/abs-opens-lng-training-center-doha-qatari-500505 Classification organization ABS will open a global liquified natural gas (LNG) training center in Doha, Qatar, as part of its support of Qatar’s National Vision 2030 and the Tawteen Program, which focuses on education and quality employment for Qatari nationals.

MARITIME SAFETY

Safety evolves gradually, collaboratively and across sectors. Richard Clayton. Lloyd’s List. 6 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142481/ The industry has come to realise over many decades that change will always be gradual unless a horrendous accident prompts immediate action.


The Lloyd’s List Podcast: Does decarbonised shipping feel safe to you? Lloyd’s List. 21 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142663 Unsafe shipping is not the clarion call of the environmental pirate, gleefully operating leaky ships with impunity risking the lives of crew for the hell of it.

**MARITIME SECURITY**


**UN chief condemns DPR Korea missile launch over Japan as ‘reckless act’.** *UN News.* 4 October 2022. Available from: [https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129222](https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/10/1129222) The missile launch was the first to violate Japan's air space since 2017, and the intermediate-range ballistic missile fell into the Pacific Ocean well away from the mainland.


**IMO, MOWCA agree on maritime security, others.** *Muyiwa Lucas.* *The Nation (Nigeria).* 10 October 2022. Available from: [https://thenationonlineng.net/imo-mowca-agree-on-maritime-security-others/](https://thenationonlineng.net/imo-mowca-agree-on-maritime-security-others/) The International Maritime Organisation (IMO) and the Maritime Organisation of West and Central Africa (MOWCA) have agreed on a Joint Action Plan (JAP) to promote maritime security, safe, efficient and environment-friendly shipping.

**EU strongly committed to enhancing global maritime security.** *European External Action Service (EEAS).* 10 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/eu-strongly-committed-enhancing-global-maritime-security_en](https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/eu-strongly-committed-enhancing-global-maritime-security_en) Rear Admiral Jürgen Ehle, Senior Military Advisor to the Managing Director CSDP and Crisis Response delivered on 29 September a presentation on EU maritime security on the occasion of the German shipping day, the “Deutscher Schifffahrtsstag”.


NATO Military Committee highlights importance of readiness across land and maritime domains. *NATO.* 20 October 2022. Available from: https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natolive/news_208547.htm After being officially welcomed by the LANDCOM Commander, General Williams, the NATO Military Representatives and Invitees were briefed on the current situation in the Land domain as well as the implications of the decisions taken at the Madrid Summit.


Iran navy opens maritime security center in Indian Ocean. *MEHR News Agency (Iran).* 22 October 2022. Available from: https://en.mehrnews.com/news/192756/ An international maritime security control center was opened in the third Iranian navy’s naval district in the north of the Indian Ocean on Saturday during a ceremony attended by Admiral Shahram Irani as the commander of the Iranian Navy, commanders, and representatives of Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS) and foreign military attachés residing in Iran.


NATO Secretary General and Romanian Prime Minister address Black Sea security. *NATO.* 26 October 2022. Available from: https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news_208590.htm Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg welcomed Romanian Prime Minister Nicolae Ciucă to NATO Headquarters on Wednesday (26 October 2022) to address Russia’s war of aggression in Ukraine and the implications for security in the Black Sea region.

MIGRANTS

Over 1,000 migrants cross Channel to UK. InfoMigrants. 10 October 2022. Available from: https://www.infomigrants.net/en/post/43895/over-1000-migrants-cross-channel-to-uk  More than 1,000 people on board 25 small boats were detected in the English Channel by UK authorities on Sunday.

Nearly 300 rescued migrants reach southern Italian port. Associated Press. 22 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/doctors-without-borders-europe-libya-africa-malta-5526de6e3ecff7eb54966e06341036cb Nearly 300 migrants disembarked in the southern Italian port of Taranto on Saturday after their rescue at sea in five different operations by the crew of a humanitarian vessel operated by Doctors Without Borders.

NAVIGATION & COMMUNICATIONS


Setting up a ‘school zone’ for whales. University of California. 29 September 2022. Available from: https://www.universityofcalifornia.edu/news/setting-school-zone-whales  “For those of us in the ocean science community, this was a real tragedy,” said Douglas McCauley, a marine science professor and director of the Benioff Ocean Science Laboratory at UC Santa Barbara.

How Greek tankers evade sanctions to move Russian oil. Deutsche Welle (Germany). 2 October 2022. Available from: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k6RuDhWaWso  According to an investigation by Greek journalists, Greek tanker owners are shipping more Russian oil than before — just months before the EU embargo comes into effect.


Feature: Joint inspection teams work in concord to speed up grain export from Ukraine. *China.org.cn.* 9 October 2022. Available from: [http://www.china.org.cn/world/Off_the_Wire/2022-10/09/content_78456006.htm](http://www.china.org.cn/world/Off_the_Wire/2022-10/09/content_78456006.htm) A small boat carrying a multilateral inspection team approached the grain-laden vessel *Moonlight* from Ukraine that anchored here in the port of Istanbul in the Marmara Sea on Saturday.

Ukraine grain corridor hampered by inspection delays. *Lloyd's List.* 10 October 2022. Available from: [https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142529/](https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142529/) Documentation and compliance bottlenecks have resulted in ships carrying Ukrainian grain now waiting an average of nine days to be cleared by inspectors in Istanbul.


ICS heralds’ successful collaboration to reduce harm to whales. *International Chamber of Shipping (ICS).* 14 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.ics-shipping.org/press-release/ics-heralds-successful-collaboration-to-reduce-harm-to-whales/](https://www.ics-shipping.org/press-release/ics-heralds-successful-collaboration-to-reduce-harm-to-whales/) The International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), the global trade association for shipowners and operators, are encouraging the shipping industry to take action to reduce the risk of harm to endangered whale species.
Speed limits in the ocean? Massive ships are killing endangered whales each year.

Backlog of Ukrainian Grain Ships Eases as Inspections Speed Up. Áine Quinn. Bloomberg. 18 October 2022. Available from: https://www.bnnbloomberg.ca/backlog-of-ukrainian-grain-ships-eases-as-inspections-speed-up-1.1833989 A logjam of vessels shipping Ukrainian crops eased as inspections sped up over the weekend, but the backlog remains high with just over a month of the grain-export deal left.

Big ships in North Puget Sound asked to slow down for orcas. Associated Press. 18 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/canada-business-british-columbia-washington-4c6eeb009b39559079f90ce11e777366 Big ships entering and leaving Puget Sound will be asked to slow down to reduce underwater noise this fall in an effort to help the Pacific Northwest’s critically endangered orcas.

Ukraine says Russia deliberately delaying passage of 150 grain ships. Reuters. 21 October 2022. Available from: https://www.reuters.com/world/europe/ukraine-says-russia-is-delaying-passage-150-grain-carrying-ships-2022-10-21/ Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy on Friday accused Russia of deliberately delaying the passage of ships carrying grain exports under a U.N. brokered-deal, and said 150 vessels were waiting to be loaded.


Black Sea grain corridor facing delayed journey times of over 27 days. Bridget Diakun. Lloyd’s List. 24 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142680/ Nearly 100 vessels that have loaded Ukrainian cargo are waiting in the Black Sea and Sea of Marmara for inspection by the Joint Coordination Centre.

Ice-class ‘crunch’ coming as Russian winter approaches. Sam Chambers. Splash 247.com. 25 October 2022. Available from: https://splash247.com/ice-class-crunch-coming-as-russian-winter-approaches/ Analysts at BRS are predicting a “crunch” on ice-class tonnage as Russia’s winter approaches, something that could drive premiums for this niche tonnage to “eye-watering” rates.


Possible Mine Sighting Stops Ukrainian Grain Exports for a Day. Maritime Executive. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://www.maritime-executive.com/article/possible-mine-sighting-stops-ukraine-gain-exports-for-a-day Operations were suspended on October 26 along the humanitarian corridor for the movement of grain from Ukraine for the first time since the program began in August.


PIRACY

Sea pirates no longer treats to Nigeria’s waterways – NIMASA DG, Jamoh. Williams Anuku. Daily Post (Nigeria). 6 October 2022. Available from: https://dailypost.ng/2022/10/06/sea-pirates-no-longer-treats-to-nigerias-waterways-nimasa-dg-jamoh/ Amidst insinuations that pirates and illegal oil bunkering activities were rife in Nigeria’s waterways, the Nigeria Maritime Administration and Safety Administration Agency (NIMASA) has debunked such claims, insisting that the nation’s territorial waters are more safer than can be imagined.

No room for complacency, says IMB, as global piracy incidents hit lowest levels in decades. ICC International Maritime Bureau (IMB). 12 October 2022. Available from: https://www.icc-ccs.org/index.php/1321 The ICC International Maritime Bureau (IMB) is calling for regional and international players to sustain their efforts, particularly in the Gulf of Guinea, as global piracy and armed robbery incidents reach their lowest levels since 1992.

PORT STATE CONTROL


Quarterly Neptune Declaration Indicator shows continued rise in vaccinations and still fewer crew members onboard after expiration of their contracts. Global Maritime Forum. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3HvWmdE The Neptune Declaration Crew Change Indicator for the third quarter of 2022, shows that the number of seafarers onboard vessels beyond the expiry of their contract has decreased from 4.2% to 3.3% since the last Indicator was published in July. Crew Change Indicator Third Quarter 2022.
PORTS & HARBOURS


Italian operation takes down corrupt port workers facilitating ‘Ndrangheta drug trafficking activities. EUROPOL. 7 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3FI4FK With the support of Europol and Eurojust, the Italian Financial Corps (Guardia di Finanza) has dismantled a criminal network which relied on corrupt workers in the port of Gioia Tauro to smuggle hundreds of millions of euros’ worth of cocaine into Europe.

Cepsa and the port of Rotterdam join up to create the first green hydrogen corridor between the north and south of Europe. Port of Rotterdam. 11 October 2022. Available from: https://www.portofrotterdam.com/en/news-and-press-releases/cepsa-and-the-port-of-rotterdam-join-up-to-create-the-first-green-hydrogen Cepsa and the Port of Rotterdam Authority are to work together to establish the first green hydrogen corridor between southern and northern Europe, ensuring a green hydrogen supply chain between two of Europe’s main ports, Rotterdam and Algeciras, as agreed in the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by both parties.


Strikes could prolong port congestion until year’s end. Jens Thomsen. ShippingWatch. 12 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/Ports/article14488374.ece Strikes in large ports in Germany and the UK have caused serious delays for container traffic, and new and ongoing strikes could create disruptions for the rest of the year, warns maritime and supply chain consultancy firm Drewry.

Royal Caribbean Group to Open the World’s First Zero-Energy Cruise Terminal. Royal Caribbean Group. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://presscenter.rclcorporate.com/press-release/168/royal-caribbean-group-to-open-the-worldrsquos-first-zero-energy-cruise-terminal Royal Caribbean Group’s new Galveston terminal, which is opening Nov. 9, will be the first cruise terminal to generate 100% of its needed energy through on-site solar panels.


Liverpool port dispute escalates as two more weeks of strike announced. Unite. 14 October 2022. Available from: https://www.unitetheunion.org/news-events/news/2022/october/liverpool-port-dispute-escalates-as-two-more-weeks-of-strike-announced/ Nearly 600 Liverpool port workers will take two more weeks of strike action over pay and jobs from 24 October to 7 November, Unite, the UK’s leading union, said today (Friday).

The Port of Gothenburg and the Port of Rotterdam kick off Green Corridor initiative for sustainable shipping. Port of Gothenburg. 14 October 2022. Available from: https://www.portofgothenburg.com/news-room/press-releases/the-port-of-gothenburg-and-the-port-of-rotterdam-kick-off-green-corridor-initiative-for-sustainable-shipping/ As part of the Green Corridor initiative, the ports will establish a common framework for cooperation to stimulate the use of new alternative fuels which are needed to reach full maritime decarbonization and contribute substantially to the goals of the Paris Agreement.


Ningbo struggles to unblock cargo flows amid lockdown. Cichen Shen. Lloyd’s List. 18 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142619 Ningbo is struggling to unplug its logistics traffic as lockdown measures around one of the world’s largest ports are extended.

Addition of a New Shipping Service to Connect King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam to 4 Global Ports. Mawani (Saudi Arabia). 19 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3Pk0Ndj The Saudi Ports Authority (Mawani) has announced the addition Aladin Express DMCC’s shipping service, Gulf-India Express 2 (GIX2), to King Abdulaziz Port in Dammam in a bid to boost direct trade and shipping between the Kingdom and the rest of the world.


Yemeni rebel drones target Greek ship in government-run port. Ahmed Al-Haj. Associated Press. 22 October 2022. Available from: https://apnews.com/article/iran-houthis-middle-east-sanaa-yemen-04ce841d3268f200e393bf7d71e767e3 Yemen’s Iran-backed rebels said they targeted a cargo ship Friday off an oil terminal in the war-wrecked Arab country’s south to prevent pro-government forces from using it for oil exports.


REGULATIONS

Striving for meaningful Carbon Intensity Indicator adjustments. Johan Roos. Cruise & Ferry. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://www.cruiseandferry.net/articles/striving-for-meaningful-carbon-intensity-indicator-adjustments-1 Just before the pandemic hit in early 2020, the maritime community had started to develop the International Maritime Organization’s (IMO) short-term greenhouse gas (GHG) measures, encompassing targets and requirements between 2023 and 2030.


Bunker Holding CEO on climate targets: “We are ambitious” - but unable to force customers. Dag Holmstad. ShippingWatch. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/suppliers/article14458495.ece Bunker Holding will commit to halving the group’s emissions of harmful CO2 by 2050, while service operations must reach CO2 neutrality by 2040.


Shipping companies employ familiar tools to prepare for new climate regulation. Idha Toft Valeur. ShippingWatch. 11 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14478563.ece Most carriers are in the process of trimming their fleets in order to – from the turn of the year at the latest – comply with the new climate demands in the CII regulation, but most carriers have not come up with anything new.

Leading carriers think new climate regulation could create need for more ships. Idha Toft Valeur. ShippingWatch. 17 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14491654.ece Major carriers such as Norden, Golden Ocean and Odfjell expect that IMO’s new climate regulation from the turn of the year can have a positive effect on the market, because there will be need of more vessels.


Clean Arctic Alliance Response to FuelEU Maritime Regulation Vote. Clean Arctic Alliance. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://cleanarctic.org/2022/10/19/clean-arctic-alliance-response-to-fueleu-maritime-regulation-vote/ “While the Clean Arctic Alliance acknowledges some progress on long-term targets for shipping decarbonisation in the European Parliament’s vote on the FuelEU Maritime Regulation, the regulation fails to protect the Arctic from the impact of shipping black carbon emissions.”
Will the IMO's Carbon Intensity Indicator matter? That depends. Eric Priante Martin. *TradeWinds*. 20 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.tradewindsnews.com/opinion/will-the-imo-s-carbon-intensity-indicator-matter-that-depends/2-1-1335947](https://www.tradewindsnews.com/opinion/will-the-imo-s-carbon-intensity-indicator-matter-that-depends/2-1-1335947). Will a regulation that essentially has no enforcement mechanism have the carbon-cutting impact the way it was intended?

Shipping professor about CII: “It's an irrelevant piece of regulation”. Idha Toft Valeur. *ShippingWatch*. 20 October 2022. Available from: [https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14508570.ece](https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14508570.ece). The upcoming Carbon Intensity Indicator (CII) has been criticized from more than one corner of the industry, and according to shipping professor Roar Ådland, the CII regulation is even "irrelevant.”

Hapag-Lloyd calls for alteration as CII “does not make sense”. Idha Toft Valeur. *ShippingWatch*. 21 October 2022. Available from: [https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14512935.ece](https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14512935.ece). One of the world’s largest container carriers, German Hapag-Lloyd, argues that the IMO’s climate regulation CII should be modified due to the flawed nature of the current calculation method.


**SALVAGE**


**SEAFARERS**


Panama provides priority access to Seafarers at the Tocumen International Airport. *All About Shipping*. 1 October 2022. Available from: [https://allaboutshipping.co.uk/2022/10/01/panama-provides-priority-access-to-seafarers-at-the-tocumen-international-airport/](https://allaboutshipping.co.uk/2022/10/01/panama-provides-priority-access-to-seafarers-at-the-tocumen-international-airport/) It is important to highlight that the Tocumen International Airport is the only one in Latin America in the top 10 of global air traffic, making Panama the epicentre of air connectivity in the region, in which seafarers from all over the world converge.


Who will act when seafarers find their ship is their prison? Bob Rust. *TradeWinds*. 6 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.tradewindsnews.com/opinion/who-will-act-when-seafarers-find-their-ship-is-their-prison/2-1-1326918](https://www.tradewindsnews.com/opinion/who-will-act-when-seafarers-find-their-ship-is-their-prison/2-1-1326918) Seafarers abandoned by unscrupulous or bankrupt owners were supposed to have been protected by new legislation that came into effect in 2018.


Can the Philippines’ seafaring sector survive? *Manila Times*. 11 October 2022. Available from: https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/10/11/tmt-anniversary/can-the-philippines-seafaring-sector-survive/1861572 The challenges and threats have come at a time when there is strong demand for Filipino seafarers amid a weakening pandemic, the gradual revival of the global cruise industry, and the supply crisis caused by Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.

Transiting seafarers welcomed back to Hong Kong. Michael Grinter. *Hong Kong Maritime Hub*. 11 October 2022. Available from: http://www.hongkongmaritimehub.com/transiting-seafarers-welcomed-back-to-hong-kong/ As from tomorrow (12 October) seafarers transiting Hong Kong, either disembarking from vessels at Hong Kong Port or arriving through Hong Kong International Airport to join a ship, will undergo the same treatment as other inbound travellers.

Wrongly jailed master gets warm welcome at industry event in Cyprus. Michelle Wiese Bockmann. *Lloyd’s List*. 12 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142568 A Polish master who spent two years in a Mexican jail received a standing ovation and moved an audience of shipping executives to tears as he told his story at Maritime Cyprus.

Maritime industry dev’t plan to secure more jobs for PH seafarers. Zaldy De Layola. *Philippine News Agency* (PNA). 13 October 2022. Available from: https://www.pna.gov.ph/articles/1186057 A Marino party-list Representative Sandro Gonzalez on Thursday expressed his utmost support for the creation of a 10-year Maritime Industry Development Plan (MiDP) which aims to facilitate and secure more job opportunities for Filipinos, especially seafarers.


Wilhelmsen Ship Management has conferred their first female Korean captain, Captain Lee Eun Ran. *Cyprus Shipping News*. 18 October 2022. Available from: https://cyprusshippingnews.com/2022/10/18/wilhelmsen-ship-management-has-conferred-their-first-female-korean-captain-captain-lee-eun-ran/ Captain Lee Eun Ran is not the world’s first female captain but a significant milestone given that shipping is still a male dominated industry and has been the same for decades.
Increased protection for seafarers. Carlos Salinas. Manila Times. 19 October 2022. Available from: https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/10/19/business/maritime/increased-protection-for-seafarers/1863740 The global nature of the seafarer’s work is certainly exciting, but it also makes it difficult to monitor the observance of laws that protect their rights.


What you need to know when sourcing crew from Africa. Craig De Savoye. Splash 247.com. 20 October 2022. Available from: https://splash247.com/what-you-need-to-know-when-sourcing-crew-from-africa/ Late last month, some of the most powerful figures in the maritime community assembled in Singapore to attend the Maritime CEO Forum, which I lapped up.


Gov’t working to keep Filipino seafarers’ jobs in EU, says Transport dept. Anjo Bagaoisan. ABS-CBN (Philippines). 23 October 2022. Available from: https://news.abs-cbn.com/business/10/23/22/ph-working-to-keep-pinoy-seafarers-jobs-in-eu-dotr Department of Transportation (DOTr) Secretary Jaime Bautista on Saturday said he is “working closely” with envoys from the European Union (EU) to address issues on the country’s adherence to the EU’s seafaring standards and ensuring the job security of Filipino mariners.


Reduction in seafarer training fees sought. Manila Times. 24 October 2022. Available from: https://www.manilatimes.net/2022/10/24/business/top-business/reduction-in-seafarer-training-fees-sought/1863457 A lawmaker is urging the Maritime Industry Authority (Marina) to reduce the training fees once a “blended learning program” is introduced among Filipino seafarers.
Ardmore Shipping: Industry needs to rebuild trust with seafarers and invest in new technologies. Gerald Tan. Safety4Sea. 25 October 2022. Available from: https://safety4sea.com/cm-ardmore-shipping-industry-needs-to-rebuild-trust-with-seafarers-and-invest-in-new-technologies/ In an exclusive interview to SAFETY4SEA, Mr. Gerald Tan, Head of Commercial (East) and General Manager, Ardmore Shipping, suggests it is time to focus on crew welfare and make a positive change, following the challenges due to the pandemic.

South Africa, Ghana and Panama find mutual agreement on seafarers certification. South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA). 26 October 2022. Available from: https://blog.samsa.org.za/2022/10/26/south-africa-ghana-and-panama-find-mutual-agreement-on-seafarers-certification/ Panama and Ghana have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with South Africa that will for the first time, allow the countries to formerly recognise each other’s seafarers’ certificates under the same condition within which the countries accept all other foreign certificates.


Meet two of our seafarers who started as Engine and Deck Boys almost 20 years ago and find themselves on the world’s most carbon efficient deep sea vessels. Cyprus Shipping News. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://bit.ly/3FJXBED The work is hard and often highly physical, and many miss family and friends back home as they spend months at sea at a time.

Maritime bodies urge EU to intervene to change new bill on seafarers’ rights. Idha Toft Valeur. ShippingWatch. 28 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14534190.ece A number of the global shipping community’s most influential bodies are deeply concerned about the Norwegian government’s proposed bill where international seafarers’ wages and work conditions are detailed for when sailing in Norwegian waters.


SEARCH & RESCUE

NGO-run fleet grows, 10,000 migrants rescued this year. *InfoMigrants*. 4 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.infomigrants.net/en/post/43758/ngorun-fleet-grows-10000-migrants-rescued-this-year](https://www.infomigrants.net/en/post/43758/ngorun-fleet-grows-10000-migrants-rescued-this-year) Humanitarian vessels operating in the Mediterranean are hard at work after taking to Italy some 10,000 migrants during the first nine months of this year, against 6,000 last year.


SHIP RECYCLING


Platform publishes South Asia Quarterly Update #31. NGO Shipbreaking Platform. 24 October 2022. Available from: https://shipbreakingplatform.org/platform-publishes-south-asia-quarterly-update-31/ In this quarterly publication, the NGO Shipbreaking Platform informs about the shipbreaking industry in Bangladesh, India and Pakistan. Quarterly Update


SHIPBUILDING & SHIPREPAIR


A.P. Moller - Maersk continues green transformation with six additional large container vessels. Maersk. 5 October 2022. Available from: https://www.maersk.com/news/articles/2022/10/05/maersk-continues-green-transformation Maersk has set a net-zero emissions target for 2040 across the entire business and has also set tangible near-term targets for 2030 to ensure significant progress.

New Independent Study Confirms Bio-Lng’s Role In Shipping’s Decarbonisation. SEA-LNG. 5 October 2022. Available from: https://sea-lng.org/reports/new-independent-study-confirms-bio-lngs-role-in-shippings-decarbonisation/ Conducted by the Maritime Energy and Sustainable Development Centre of Excellence (MESD CoE) at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore (NTU Singapore), the study explored questions around fuel availability, cost, lifecycle emissions and logistics, providing an overview of the applicability of bio-LNG as marine fuel. Key Findings


War in Ukraine: the latest blow to tanker construction in Europe. Craig Jallal. Tanker Shipping & Trade. 11 October 2022. Available from: https://www.rivieramm.com/news-content-hub/war-in-ukraine-the-latest-blow-to-tanker-construction-in-europe-73253. Shipbuilding in Europe has declined significantly in the last three decades and it will come as no surprise that there are more tankers on order in South Korea alone than in all the shipyards in Europe.

S. Korea to widen tech gap with global shipbuilding rivals. So-Hyeon Kim. Korea Economic Daily (South Korea). 20 October 2022. Available from: https://www.kedglobal.com/shipping-shipbuilding/newsView/ked202210200008. South Korea, the world’s largest shipbuilding country, will expand its production of high-value-added specialized vessels, such as liquefied hydrogen carriers, and autonomous ships to gain a competitive edge in the global shipbuilding market.


**SHIPPING**


Flying The Flag Of Decarbonization To Gain A Competitive Advantage. Liberian Registry. 29 September 2022. Available from: https://www.liscr.com/blog/flying-flag-decarbonization-gain-competitive-advantage. Our maritime industry is facing an immense challenge to decarbonize international shipping, and the Liberian Registry has in recent years actively participated in innovative ship design joint industry projects (JIPs) with focus on innovative design features, new technologies and alternative fuels.


Greener shipping. Fiji Times. 3 October 2022. Available from: https://www.fijitimes.com/greener-shipping/. Seafarers and maritime workers stood in complete silence at the Suva seawall as a wreath was set afloat to remember colleagues who lost their lives at sea because of their fidelity to serve the shipping industry.


“Challenges in the marine sector: 2023 and beyond” - a new report published by the IMarEST. *Institute of Marine Engineering, Science and Technology (IMarEST)*. 4 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.imarest.org/policy-news/technical-leadership/6620](https://www.imarest.org/policy-news/technical-leadership/6620) A new report from the IMarEST identifies the skills gap as one of the major challenges the marine sector faces over the coming decade.


Analysis of shipping emissions reveals a larger effect of air pollution on climate than previously thought. *Oxford University*. 5 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.physics.ox.ac.uk/news/analysis-shipping-emissions-reveals-larger-effect-air-pollution-climate-previously-thought](https://www.physics.ox.ac.uk/news/analysis-shipping-emissions-reveals-larger-effect-air-pollution-climate-previously-thought) Findings from two separate research papers analysing ship tracks, one led by Dr Duncan Watson-Parris and the other by Peter Manshausen, both from the Department of Physics, indicate that air pollution has a larger effect on climate than previously thought.

Carriers uncertain about their ship emissions – CII becomes reality in 87 days. Idha Toft Vælø. *ShippingWatch.* 6 October 2022. Available from: [https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14464539.ece](https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14464539.ece) The IMO’s climate regulation, the Carbon Intensity Indicator(CII), is about to become reality.


The Lloyd’s List Podcast: Shipping’s zero conversation needs to be much wider. *Lloyd’s List.* 8 October 2022. Available from: [https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142513/](https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142513/) The process by which we eliminate fossil fuels from seaborne trade is no longer a shipping problem.


Global solutions on climate change needed to create greener shipping sector. Sarah Ktisti. *Cyprus Mail.* 11 October 2022. Available from: [https://cyprus-mail.com/2022/10/11/global-solutions-on-climate-change-needed-to-create-greener-shipping-sector/](https://cyprus-mail.com/2022/10/11/global-solutions-on-climate-change-needed-to-create-greener-shipping-sector/) Regulatory leaders need to start creating the conditions necessary for the shipping community to become greener and more competitive, Cyprus’ deputy minister for shipping Vassilis Demetriades told an audience at the 2022 Maritime Conference this week in Limassol.

Green Corridors and Clean Energy Marine Hubs will Unite Shipping's Decarbonization Stories and Drive Regulatory Clarity and Consistency. ABS (American Bureau of Shipping). 11 October 2022. Available from: https://cisn.co/3FIFpeM The decisive role of public-private partnerships in delivering net zero for shipping by 2050 was spotlighted by Christopher J. Wiernicki, ABS Chairman, President and CEO in his keynote address at the 2022 SHIPPING Insight conference.

Green Shipping Corridors: Leveraging Synergies. ABS (American Bureau of Shipping). 11 October 2022. Available from: https://ww2.eagle.org/en/publication-flip/green-shipping-corridors-leveraging-synergies.html In 2021, as part of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26), 19 countries including the United States (US), United Kingdom (UK), Chile and Australia, signed the Clydebank Declaration, which aims to support the establishment of at least six green corridors by the middle of this decade, intending to scale up over the decade.


ICS Secretary General to address the UN General Assembly. International Chamber of Shipping (ICS). 13 October 2022. Available from: https://www.ics-shipping.org/press-release/ics-secretary-general-to-address-the-un-general-assembly/ ICS Secretary General Guy Platten to address the UN General Assembly today on the role of trade and logistics in getting food and energy to all.

EU bans Russian register to prevent insight into sensitive fleet information. Peter Thomsen. ShippingWatch. 13 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/carriers/article14490360.ece Escalation of the war in Ukraine has now made the European Union dial up its measures targeting Russia’s shipping industry.

Disagreement within Bimco on responsibility for ships poor climate ratings. Dag Holmstad. ShippingWatch. 14 October 2022. Available from: https://shippingwatch.com/regulation/article14496131.ece Opinions are strongly divided in the shipping industry as to who should bear the responsibility of poor climate ratings of vessels once the new CII climate rules come into force at the turn of the year.


Decarbonisation developments and challenges: Plugging the gap with bridging fuels. 

Under IMO’s initial strategy, the shipping industry needs to reduce carbon intensity (CO2 emissions per transport work) by at least 40% by 2030.


Clarksons is projecting emissions to remain steady next year as the impact of speed and a growing eco fleet balance any trade and fleet activity growth.


Maersk, MSC, CMA CGM, Hapag-Lloyd and Cosco as well as logistics firms DSV, Kuehne + Nagel and Deutsche Post DHL Group emerge with very different results from sustainability analysis of 90 transportation companies.


The global maritime industry is making significant progress in the fight to reduce ship greenhouse gasses and other ship-to-air emissions, but it should not lose sight of what’s going on below the waterline, Thordon Bearings’ Craig Carter said today, addressing members of the World Ocean Council.


The Baltic Sea is considered one of the world’s most polluted seas.


European shipowners welcome the progress made on the proposal, but stress that more needs to be done to facilitate the energy transition and the decarbonisation of the industry.


Europe’s lawmakers voted today in favour of a 2% mandate for green shipping fuels by 2030.


The European Parliament has approved groundbreaking maritime intelligence to cut the greenhouse gas intensity of energy in marine fuels from 2025 under the FuelEU Maritime package.


A Trade Hope; The Role of the Black Sea Grain Initiative in bringing Ukrainian Grain to the World. *United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).* 20 October 2022. Available from: [https://unctad.org/a-trade-hope](https://unctad.org/a-trade-hope) As two of the world’s largest suppliers of grain, Ukraine and the Russian Federation are important sources of food for many developing countries.


Climate Regulations Are About to Disrupt Global Shipping. Willy C. Shih. *Harvard Business Review.* 21 October 2022. Available from: [https://hbr.org/2022/10/climate-regulations-are-about-to-disrupt-global-shipping](https://hbr.org/2022/10/climate-regulations-are-about-to-disrupt-global-shipping) Even as companies around the world continue to struggle with the impacts of the pandemic and the war in Ukraine on global supply chains, there is another challenge looming: new environmental regulations that promise to change how shipping companies operate many transoceanic and regional routes.

Wave of LNG tankers is overwhelming Europe in energy crisis and hitting natural gas prices. Lori Ann LaRocco. *CNBC (US).* 24 October 2022. Available from: [https://www.cnbc.com/2022/10/24/wave-of-lng-tankers-overwhelms-europe-and-hits-natural-gas-prices.html](https://www.cnbc.com/2022/10/24/wave-of-lng-tankers-overwhelms-europe-and-hits-natural-gas-prices.html) The U.S. is exporting more LNG to Europe as a result of Russia’s war in Ukraine and cuts made to natural gas supplies ahead of winter, but there has been a buildup of LNG vessels waiting to unload at ports with European infrastructure unable to handle the increased LNG shipments.
ICS outlines levy on shipping carbon emissions to reward alternative fuels ‘first movers’. Michelle Wiese Bockmann. Lloyd’s List. 24 October 2022. Available from: https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com/LL1142672 The International Chamber of Shipping has proposed money raised from a carbon levy on international shipping be paid to ‘first movers’ using low emission fuels in a new submission to the industry’s regulator, the IMO.


Decarbonizing shipping while ensuring an equitable transition. Global Maritime Forum. 27 October 2022. Available from: https://www.globalmaritimeforum.org/news/decarbonizing-shipping-while-ensuring-an-equitable-transition Shipping, unlike many sectors, has the benefit and advantage of a global regulator, the International Maritime Organization (IMO), which has the authority to drive a global energy transition, necessitated by climate change and mandated by the Paris Agreement temperature goal. Full Insight Brief.


RESEARCH


Chou C-C, Wang C-N, et al. Integrating AIS, GIS and E-Chart to Analyze the Shipping Traffic and Marine Accidents at the Kaohsiung Port. Journal of Marine Science and Engineering. 20 October 2022. Available from: https://www.mdpi.com/2077-1312/10/10/1543/htm In the past, case study and questionnaire survey methodologies have often been used to analyse the causes of marine accidents.


About the front cover

The CAB front cover is a photograph of the international memorial to the world’s seafarers, past, present and future which graces the entrance to IMO Headquarters in London. The memorial, a seven-metre high, ten-tonne bronze representation of the bow of a cargo ship with a lone seafarer on the deck, is the work of internationally renowned British sculptor Michael Sandle.