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AFRICAN MARITIME ADMINISTRATIONS (AAMA)
AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

3RD-4TH MAY 2023

**IMO CONFERENCE ON
LOW-CARBON SHIPPING
IN AFRICA**

5TH MAY 2023

 **Pride Inn Paradise Resort,
Shanzu, Mombasa Kenya**





Theme:

‘Maritime Administrations as pillars of Economic Development’

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CONCEPT NOTE:

MARITIME ADMINISTRATIONS AS PILLARS OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

The relationship between effective maritime transportation and economic prosperity, is well established. Economic opportunities have been increasingly related to, or linked with, the mobility of people and goods including information and communication technologies. This connection partly explains why maritime transport, the backbone of global trade, is as well, the nexus and enabler of economic growth and development.

Flowing from its global and multidimensional nature, maritime transport can only be effective and sustainable within the context of proper safety and security culture, environmental credentials, stewardship, and appropriate technical standards. The import is that for any region, nation, or people to maximize the benefits of maritime transportation, it's maritime regulator or maritime administration, is not only key but fundamental. It invariably means that the growth of the economy is directly related to the quality of the maritime administration which determines the efficiency of shipping and other maritime transportation services. Inefficient maritime transport services have been recognized as being among the main bottlenecks or drawbacks to socio-economic development and social integration in developing countries.

Maritime administrations, thus play pivotal roles in driving economic development by serving as a catalyst for safe, secure, efficient, and environmentally sustainable shipping. A well-functioning maritime administration is an incentive for growth of shipping and ancillary services which enhance trade that drives socio-economic development.

Africa is lagging behind in economic growth because it has not made the necessary human capital and financial investment in maritime transportation, and this accounts for the lowest level of intra-continental trade. However, the coming into force of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) is seen as a potential game-changer for Africa and could boost intra-African maritime trade by up to 33% and cut the continent's trade deficit by 51%. According to available statistics, Africa accounts for just 2% of global trade and only 17% of African exports are intra-continental, compared with 59% for Asia and 68% for Europe. The potential for transformation across Africa is therefore significant. The agreement, that is the AfCFTA, aims to reduce all trade costs and enable Africa to integrate further into global supply chains and will eliminate 90% of tariffs, focus on outstanding non-tariff barriers, and create a single market with free movement of goods and services. Cutting red tape and simplifying customs procedures to bring significant income gains. Beyond trade, the AfCFTA agreement will also address the movement of persons and labour, competition, investment, and intellectual property.

The challenge for Africa is to ensure and optimize benefits from shipping and maritime economy, being an island continent, by repositioning Africa's maritime administrations and making them the pillars of economic revival they ought to be. It will require future interrogation on the relationship between safety culture and attraction of investment in shipping, environmental stewardship in shipping and economic growth, global shipping standard, politics, commerce and integration, economics of maritime

regulation and the challenge of poverty. The way and manner Africa overcomes these existential challenges will go a long way in determining whether Africa can compete favourably in the 21st century globalized world.

The Blue Economy may also, perhaps, provide Africa with a unique opportunity for growth and development in the maritime sector. Maritime economy, a relatively new concept in the domain of economics, generally refers to the economic activities based on marine or sea-based resources. In particular, the Blue Economy seeks to maximise the economic benefit presented by the ocean while preserving it. Many African countries have begun investing and utilizing resources to explore and grow their maritime sectors. The investments into port and logistics infrastructure including warehousing infrastructure, have grown exponentially with the most recent major development in and around African countries. By 2050, it is projected that Africa's population will triple in size with 60% being below the age of 34 years. The maritime industry would need to grow at a faster rate to meet the challenges of a growing young population as part of nation building.

Underscoring the importance of responding to the challenges posed by climate change, maritime administrations have a significant responsibility to accelerate shipping decarbonization. The green transition of the maritime sector requires a wide range of efforts that is, ensuring active facilitation of the adoption of an ambitious revised (2023) IMO GHG strategy, production, and distribution of new, renewable green fuels, etc. It goes without saying that the challenge to meet the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) aligned climate goals for shipping decarbonization can be a challenge, especially for developing countries, whilst maritime decarbonization would also create new opportunities and synergies which can accelerate the transition to a low-carbon economy.

In this regard African countries can identify possible ways to progress the adoption of energy efficiency measures, new and cleaner fuels, in conjunction with identifying funds which can unlock investment in research and development that assist the industry to respond to the goals of the Paris Agreement.

Equally, the maritime Sector in the African continent must harness the new opportunities for growth arising from the green transition. Noting how IMO regulations can drive maritime innovation worldwide, the decarbonization of maritime transport in Africa can unlock opportunities and investments across the maritime value chain. These opportunities would further reinforce the prominent role of shipping as the enabler of a global energy transition and as catalyst to transform to a low-carbon economy at national level.

The Low Carbon Shipping Conference will explore these challenges and opportunities of shipping decarbonization for African countries, whilst discussing the differing perspectives and priorities of developing countries in the current IMO negotiations for the adoption of an ambitious revision of the Initial IMO GHG strategy and the development of mid-term greenhouse gas reduction measures.



PROGRAMME

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DATE	TIME	EVENT	RESPONSIBILITIES
DAY 1 Wednesday, 03 May 2023	07:30 – 09:30	Accreditation / Conference Registration/Security Clearance	Secretariat- KMA/AAMA/IMO
	10:00 – 11:30	OPENING CEREMONY	
	10:00	Arrival of His Excellency, Hon. William Samoei Ruto, PhD., C.G.H. President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of The Defence Forces	KMA/AAMA/IMO
	10:05-10:05	Kenya National and East African Community Anthem	
	10:05-10:10	Welcome remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr John Omingo, Acting Director-General, Kenya Maritime Authority & Chair AAMA 	
	10:10-10:20	Opening remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Hamisi Mwangi – Chairman, Kenya Maritime Authority H.E. Abdulswamad Sharrif Nassir, Governor, Mombasa County Mr Ndzimeni Ramugondo, Ag. Director General, South Africa Maritime Safety Administration & Head, AAMA Secretariat Dr Bashir Jamoh, Director-General, NIMASA & former Chair of AAMA 	
	10:25-10:30	Remarks: Xiaojie Zhang, Director, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO	
	10:30-10:35	Remarks: Shadrack Mwadime, C.B.S., Principal Secretary, State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs Remarks & Welcome of H.E. the President by Hon. Salim Mvurya, E.G.H., Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs	
		Keynote Address and official opening of the 6th AAMA Conference by His Excellency, Hon. William Samoei Ruto, PhD., C.G.H. President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of The Defence Forces	
		TEA/COFFEE BREAK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group Photo: Media Interviews
DAY 1 Wednesday, 3 May 2023	11:30-12:30	SESSION 1: MARITIME ADMINISTRATION MODELS AND THEIR IMPACT ON SERVICE DELIVERY Moderator: Juvenal Shiundu, Former Director, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO & Former Chairman, Kenya National Shipping Line Panellists: Seychelles, Nigeria, Tanzania, Gambia, and Somalia Rapporteur: Liberia and Namibia	Interactive Panel Discussion Topic introduction - 5 min Each Panellist - 8 min Summing up - 5 min Audience comments and questions - 10 min



		BREAK	
	12:30-13:30	SESSION 2: AAMA MEMBER STATES EXPERIENCE IN ACCESSING IMO's TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE: IS IT WORKING? WHAT CAN BE IMPROVED, IF ANY? Moderator: Mr Xiaojie Zhang, Director, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO Panellists : IMO, Ethiopia, Egypt, Mauritius, Sierra Leone, Namibia Rapporteur: Sudan and Morocco	Interactive Panel Discussion Topic introduction - 5 min Each Panellist - 8 min Summing up - 5 min Audience comments and questions - 10 min
	13:30-15:00	LUNCH	Networking
		PROGRAM	RESPONSIBILITIES
	15:30-16:30	SESSION 3: OUTLOOK FOR WOMEN IN THE MARITIME SECTOR IN THE NEXT DECADE Moderator: Zamachonco Chonco, SAMSA/AAMA Secretariat Panellists: Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Comoros, Kenya (Patron of WOMESA), WIMA Representatives, Mozambique, Ethiopia, UN Women Rapporteur: Madagascar and Cote d'Ivoire	Interactive Panel Discussion Topic introduction - 5 min Each Panellist - 8 min Summing up - 5 min Audience comments and questions - 10 min
	19:00-22:00	NETWORKING COCKTAIL	
		DAY 2 (6th AAMA Conference and General Assembly)	
DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	RESPONSIBILITIES
DAY 2 Thursday, 4 May 2023	09:30-11:00	SESSION 4: MAINSTREAMING THE MARITIME SECTOR INTO NATIONAL ECONOMIC PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS Moderator: Dr Dakuku Peterside, Former Director-General, Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA) and former Chairman, AAMA Panellists: Kenya, Ghana, Senegal, Liberia, and South Africa Rapporteur: Kenya and Nigeria	Interactive Panel Discussion Topic introduction - 5 min Each Panellist - 6 min Summing up - 6 min Audience comments and questions - 15 min KMA/AAMA/IMO
	11:00-13:30	BUSINESS SESSION OF AAMA 1. Presentation of resolutions of the 5 th AAMA Executive Council meeting - Head: AAMA Secretariat 2. Matters arising from the 5 th AAMA Executive Council meeting – AAMA Chairman 3. Sustainable financing of AAMA conferences, events and activities 4. Position of the deputy chairperson of AAMA 5. IMO Election Strategy 6. Ratification of the RAMTC and deposition of instruments 7. Closing Remarks: Acting Director General Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) 8. Vote of thanks: Director General Ghana Maritime Authority (GMA)	
	13:30-14:00	Lunch	

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BACKGROUND

Underscoring the importance of responding to the challenges posed by climate change, maritime administrations have a significant responsibility to accelerate shipping decarbonization. Maritime decarbonization is complex - especially for developing countries - but also creates new opportunities and synergies which can accelerate the transition to low-carbon economies. The Conference on Low-Carbon Shipping in Africa provides the forum to explore challenges and opportunities of shipping decarbonization for African countries, notably with respect to the production and distribution of renewable green fuels, the uptake of clean technologies and reskilling of the maritime workforce, and an opportunity to exchange perspectives on the ongoing negotiations on the adoption of an ambitious 2023 IMO GHG strategy and the development of mid-term IMO GHG reduction measures.

MORNING

Time	OPENING REMARKS
8.30 – 8.50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amb. Ms. Nancy Karigithu, Special Envoy on Blue Economy (Kenya) Mr. Arsenio Dominguez, Director Marine Environment Division (IMO)
8.50	Keynote speaker: Hon. Mr. Kwaku Ofori Asiamah, Minister of Transport (Ghana)

8.50 – 9.30	<p>SESSION 1 - Setting the scene: Global climate action and IMO's efforts to reduce GHG emissions from shipping</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Paris Agreement and the IMO Initial GHG Strategy IMO's existing climate regulations and 2023: 'IMO's year of climate action' National climate strategies and the relevance of shipping decarbonization <p><i>Introduction and moderation: Mr. Arsenio Dominguez, Director Marine Environment Division (IMO)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Harry Conway, Chair IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC) (Liberia) Dr. Pacifica Ogola, Director Climate Change - Ministry of Environment and Forestry (Kenya) Ms. Lydia Nguji, Head MTCC Africa (Kenya)
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9.30 – 10.45	<p>SESSION 2 - Shipping as enabler of climate action and energy transition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Role of shipping in the global energy transition Renewable energy production prospects in Africa Identifying opportunities across the maritime value chain <p><i>Introduction and moderation: Amb. Ms. Nancy Karigithu, Special Envoy on Blue Economy (Kenya)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Bilal Hussain, Programme Manager - International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) Mr. Johannes Bochdalofsky, Founder & Project Lead - SeaH4 Sustainable Biofuels Ms. Kaashifah Beukes, CEO Freeport Saldanha (South Africa) – remote Ms. Natalie Gupta, Director Bunkering Value Chain Partnerships, Yara Clean Ammonia Mr. Uri Epstein, Africa Green Hydrogen Development, Fortescue Future Industries - remote
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10.45 - 11.15	Coffee break
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	<p>SESSION 3 - IMO's future framework and partnerships enabling the global take up of low- and zero carbon future fuels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revision of the IMO GHG Strategy and the development of IMO mid-term GHG reduction measures IMO capacity building and partnerships initiatives supporting implementation of the IMO GHG Strategy
11.15 - 12.30	<p><i>Introduction and moderation: Mr. Roel Hoenders, Head Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency - IMO</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Folorunso Olufunmilayo, Secretary General - African Ship Owners Association Ms. Yoomin Lee, Transport Specialist - World Bank Group Mr. Soteri Gatera, Chief Industrialisation and Infrastructure - United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN ECA) Mr. Anton Rhodes, Project Manager, Department of Partnerships and Projects – IMO

12.30 - 14.00	Lunch
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AFTERNOON

Time	SESSION 4 - National coordinated action enabling maritime decarbonization
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The role of ports as green energy marine hubs The development of National Action Plans Required port and bunkering infrastructure development
14.00 - 15.30	<p><i>Introduction and moderation: Ms. Lydia Ngugi, Head MTCC Africa (Kenya)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. James Nganga, Ports and Maritime Transport Expert - African Development Bank Dr Simon Chin-Yee, Lecturer, University College London Mr. John Akumu, Senior engineer, design & projects - Kenya Ports Authority Member State perspectives

15.30 -16.00	Coffee break
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	<p>SESSION 5 - Unlocking green maritime jobs in Africa</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The upcoming decarbonization journey from an employment perspective Onboard and offboard skill development in preparing for a decarbonized shipping industry
16.00 - 17.15	<p><i>Introduction and moderation: Ms. Martha Selwyn - UN Global Compact/Just Transition Task Force and Ms. Ondrilla Fernandes, Employment Affairs Advisor - International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)</i></p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Francesco Gargiulo, CEO - International Marine Employer's Council Mr. Mohammed Dauda Safiyanu, Coordinator for Africa - International Transport Workers' Federation Mr. Sibusiso Rantsoabe, Manager OHS & Maritime Welfare - South African Maritime Authority

17.15 - 18.00	<p>CLOSING REMARKS & WAY FORWARD</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Arsenio Dominguez, Director Marine Environment Division - IMO Mr. Shadrack Mwadime, Principal Secretary, State dpt. for Shipping and Maritime Affairs (Kenya)
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