

Climate change and the shipping industry of tomorrow

Maritime event at Nordic Climate Solutions, September 9, 2009 1 – 2.30 pm (Room 16)

Deloitte is organizing a maritime event to take place at the Nordic Climate Solutions Conference in Copenhagen (Bella Centre), September 9.

The event is organized in collaboration with the Danish Shipowners' Association and includes pre- and post-COP15 perspectives on the opportunities and challenges for the shipping industry.

The event is directed towards political decision-makers, shipping companies, NGOs, conference participants and members of the press.

Context and purpose

A recent study commissioned by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) estimated that ships engaged in international trade contributed about 2.7 per cent of the world's anthropogenic CO₂ emissions in 2007 (*).

The study also found that emission reductions are feasible through technical and operational measures, as well as through the introduction of market-based instruments.

However, in the absence of global policies to control greenhouse gas emissions from international shipping, the emissions may increase significantly over the next decades due to the expected growth in international seaborne trade – despite the present economic downturn.

Danish shipping companies work proactively through national and international organizations to reduce CO₂ emissions and other air pollutants from international shipping. It is vital to the industry that solutions are global in nature and apply to all, independently of the flag state. The IMO therefore wishes to continue its work on regulating the CO₂ emissions from international shipping.

(*) Prevention of Air Pollution from Ships, Second IMO GHG Study 2009.

A proposal by the Danish Maritime Authority suggests that the best and most efficient solution will be the development of an International Fund for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Ships for addressing the global climate problems, as well as providing incentives for research and development.

The purpose of the event is to engage various stakeholders in these and related issues concerning "climate change and the shipping industry of tomorrow".

Participants include:

- policy makers and representatives from business and non-governmental organizations
- shipping companies and business partners at the conference
- media

Venue

The event is organized as a side event with access of conference participants and invited guests. Seats for invited and confirmed participants will be reserved

The event will take place Wednesday 9 September at 13.00-14.30, Room 16 at Bella Centre.

Free access to the conference on both 8-9 September is available through Deloitte.

Programme

Welcome and introduction

Preben Soerensen (Partner and Chairman of Deloitte Climate&Cleantech, Deloitte Denmark)

Climate Policy Proposals for International Shipping: An International Fund for GHG Emissions

Gitte Mondrup (Special Adviser, Danish Maritime Authority)

Shipping Case: TORM

Mikael Skov (CEO, TORM)

Shipping Case: A.P. Moller – Maersk

Joseph Nazareth (Group HSSE, A.P. Moller - Maersk)

NGO Stakeholder Perspectives:

John Nordbo, tbc (World Wide Fund for Nature)

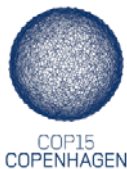
Discussion

Other participants in the panel might be included, but they are not yet confirmed.

Political spokespersons on climate and shipping from the Danish Parliament are invited to participate, as are a wide range of shipping companies.

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