

# SESSIONS

SAUDI MARITIME & LOGISTICS CONGRESS DAY 1 - 18/09/2024

Saudi Maritime & Logistics Congress 2024

18 - 19 September 2024

Dhahran Expo  
Dammam

## Registration

09:00 - 10:30

## VIP Tour of the Exhibition

10:30 - 11:00

## Opening Ceremony | National Anthem of Kingdom of Saudi Arabia followed by reading from the Holy Quran

11:00 - 11:10

## Welcome Remarks

11:10 - 11:15

## Participants

Chris Hayman - Chairman Emeritus, Seatrade Maritime

## Keynote Welcome Addresses

11:15 - 11:45

A series of keynote speeches from international & local industry leaders.

## Exclusive Announcements

11:45 - 12:05

Stay tuned for more information

## Industry Keynote

12:05 - 12:15

Exciting updates from a leading international maritime business.

## Maritime Think Tank

12:15 - 13:20

In this discussion panel, several prominent figures from the Kingdom and International landscape will discuss the ideas that will propel the Maritime Industry to a "new normal". How can the international community take inspiration from Saudi Arabia's rapid growth and innovation programmes? What limitations will need to be navigated around outside the Kingdom? Will trade lane disruption and infrastructural service positioning make major changes to the way the Maritime Industry operates in the future? And what should shipowners and operators be paying particular attention to in the years to come?

## Networking Break / VIP Lunch

13:20 - 14:50

## Interconnected Logistics & The Supply Chain of the Future

14:50 - 15:50

Key talking points for this session include:

- Logistics infrastructure development in KSA
- The evolving relationship with the cargo owner
- Regional transshipment evolution & the land-bridge initiative
- Cargo handling & storage capabilities & their impact on port operator & shipowner decision making

## Shipbuilding and Repair

15:50 - 16:50

The emergence of Saudi Arabia and the wider region as a new force in shipbuilding and repair has important implications for the global industry. This session will look at the current state of the newbuilding market as it responds to the demands of decarbonisation and the opportunities presented by new technologies and alternative fuels. The role which the KSA and the wider ME region can play in this dynamic and rapidly changing market. What are the particular challenges of competing in this market and how are they being addressed?

## Summary and Close of Day 1

16:50 - 17:00

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09:30 - 10:00

## Opening Remarks

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## Keynote Speeches

10:10 - 11:00

## Next Steps Down the Decarbonisation Pathway

11:00 - 12:00

2024 will prove to be a significant year for shipping's decarbonisation pathway. This session will explore and evaluate the full range of alternative fuel options and energy saving technologies available to it. The scale and nature of the challenge of meeting the industry's needs for alternative fuel. What does the newbuilding orderbook tell us about the world fleet's likely carbon intensity profile by the end of the decade?

## Leveraging a Strategic Location

12:00 - 13:00

The KSA's target to become a global logistics hub, with an annual throughput of 40 million TEU by 2030, requires a combination of infrastructure investment, regulatory reform, workforce education and, crucially, the leveraging of its strategic location. So how may the pattern of intra-regional and global trade change and develop in the years ahead, and how can the Kingdom and the wider region, position itself to maximise advantage from these changes to fulfil its ambition? Rapid progress in the Unctad Liner Shipping Connectivity Index suggests that the momentum is building.

## Networking Break / VIP Lunch

13:00 - 14:30

## Energy Transition for a Sustainable Future

14:30 - 15:30

Pioneering projects in Saudi Arabia aimed at decarbonising the world's hydrocarbon energy processes are aligned with its belief that it will take all available sources of energy, both legacy and the alternatives to meet global demand over the next 25 years. This session will discuss the unfolding sustainability strategies in the Kingdom, its expanding role as an exporter of refined product, the continued resurgence of the offshore market and the potential for production of alternative fuels in KSA.

## Workforce Development

15:30 - 16:30

Meeting the goals of the Vision 2030 programme in the maritime and logistics sectors is dependent upon the development of educational support systems to create a diverse expert workforce. This session will look in detail at the needs of these key industry sectors, the educational infrastructure across the region, recruitment, career development and retention.

## Closing Remarks and Close of Conference

16:30 - 16:40

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