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Maritime Technologies Forum Highlights Key Activities in its 2024 Annual Report

The Annual Report 2024 from MTF provides an overview of recent reports and events in support of accelerating the safe decarbonisation of the maritime industry.

2025-05-14, Tokyo. The Maritime Technologies Forum (MTF) today released its first annual report providing an easy-to-re-use overview of recent publications and events aimed at promoting the safe decarbonisation of the maritime industry.

Since its establishment in 2021, MTF members have collaborated to offer technical expertise, regulatory insight, and impartial advice to the maritime industry. MTF has steadily increased its activities, resulting in a growing number of publications, submissions, and events that present insights and explore their implications.

The Annual Report is available for download here.

"Our recent focus has been on operational safety management and the safety implications of emerging decarbonisation technologies," says Lars Lippuner, Director of UK Customer Maritime Services at the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, and Chair of the MTF Executive Committee.

He continues that "as the pace of change accelerates, MTF will continue to offer guidance on safety management systems, technologies, and associated procedures that enable a safe and sustainable maritime transition, focusing on both decarbonisation and automation as key challenges facing the maritime industry."

About MTF

MTF is a forum of Flag States and Classification Societies, established to provide technical and regulatory expertise to benefit the maritime industry. The role of the Forum is to work together on research that it publishes to the maritime industry and draw on regulatory expertise to be able to offer unbiased advice to the shipping sector. It seeks to give guidance on the use of alternative fuels and increased levels of automation in the industry. Furthermore, it allows for the safe testing and adoption of new technologies and it helps shape world-leading regulation.

The Flag State administrations include Maritime Bureau, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan; the Norwegian Maritime Authority; the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, United Kingdom; and the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore (MPA). The Classification Society members are ABS, DNV, LR and ClassNK.

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