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Maritime Technologies Forum Highlights Key Activities in its 2025 Annual Report

The Annual Report 2025 from MTF provides an overview of recent reports and events in support of accelerating the safe decarbonization of the maritime industry.

2026-01-29, Tokyo. The Maritime Technologies Forum (MTF) has today released its annual report highlighting recent publications and events organised to promote the safe decarbonisation of the maritime industry.

Celebrating its 5th anniversary, MTF is a unique collaboration between flag States and classification societies, created to narrow the gap between rapidly advancing technology and the regulations that govern it. Our purpose is to support the maritime industry's safe and sustainable transition by sharing knowledge and aligning innovation with effective, forward-looking regulation. Download our Annual Report 2025 [here](#).

“Our work is practical and collaborative. Through publications, IMO submissions, and events, we have provided clarity on operational safety management, addressed the risks and benefits of emerging decarbonisation technologies, and explored how classification societies and flag States can work together with rigor and agility,” says Lars Lippuner, Director, UK Customer Maritime Services of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, and MTF Executive Committee Chair.

He continues that “Looking ahead, our goal remains clear: to help shape a maritime sector that is not only compliant but competitive, not only sustainable but resilient. We welcome contributions from industry stakeholders: please reach out if your organisation would like to learn more or collaborate. Through shared expertise and cooperation, MTF will continue to support a future where safety and sustainability are the foundation of progress.”

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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