

Energised and Innovative – A Great Industry



Having recently met with many friends and colleagues at the NOR Shipping event, I am reminded of just what an exciting, vibrant and innovative industry the Maritime industry is and how much more opportunity there is for business to grow. One of the key themes this year at NOR, was the strong connections with the Energy industry and indeed there were many sessions on Offshore. Not many of our customers know that IHS has the world's largest Energy database, created and updated by hundreds of analysts every day, we also have specialist groups in the Offshore industry. We have excellent knowledge of the connected LNG markets and are a key information and insight provider to the Energy industry, from Oil and Gas all the way through to Renewables. As such, we will be working hard to bring together our internal teams to work to bring ever more innovative solutions, for you our customers, to meet the industry's needs. Energy and Shipping have been in a marriage for decades and it is now more important than ever to harness and utilise the information from these areas, to enable the right investments and business decisions to be made, to continue to spur growth.

Safety is another key factor in our industry and this is especially important as we look to maximise the opportunities of the Arctic. Harsh operating conditions in remote locations will mean fresh approaches are needed and as ever, the creative thinking the Maritime industry is so good at, will come to the fore. IHS Maritime has covered the safety aspects of shipping for many years and the 13th June sees our 7th Annual Safety at Sea Awards ceremony, on board HMS Belfast in London. People are at the centre of our industry and ensuring their safety at sea and on shore is vital, so we are delighted to play a part in continuing to ensure the awareness of safety right across the Maritime industry.

As the industry met in Norway, I was taken by the optimism for a brighter future and the pioneering spirit that is needed to help continue to drive growth for business. Innovative creative thinking is required on many fronts and thankfully there is an abundance of this within our industry. I hope you enjoy reading this month's IHS Maritime newsletter and that the articles within, challenge your thinking and spark new perspectives on what is possible and how we will make it happen.

Yours Sincerely

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