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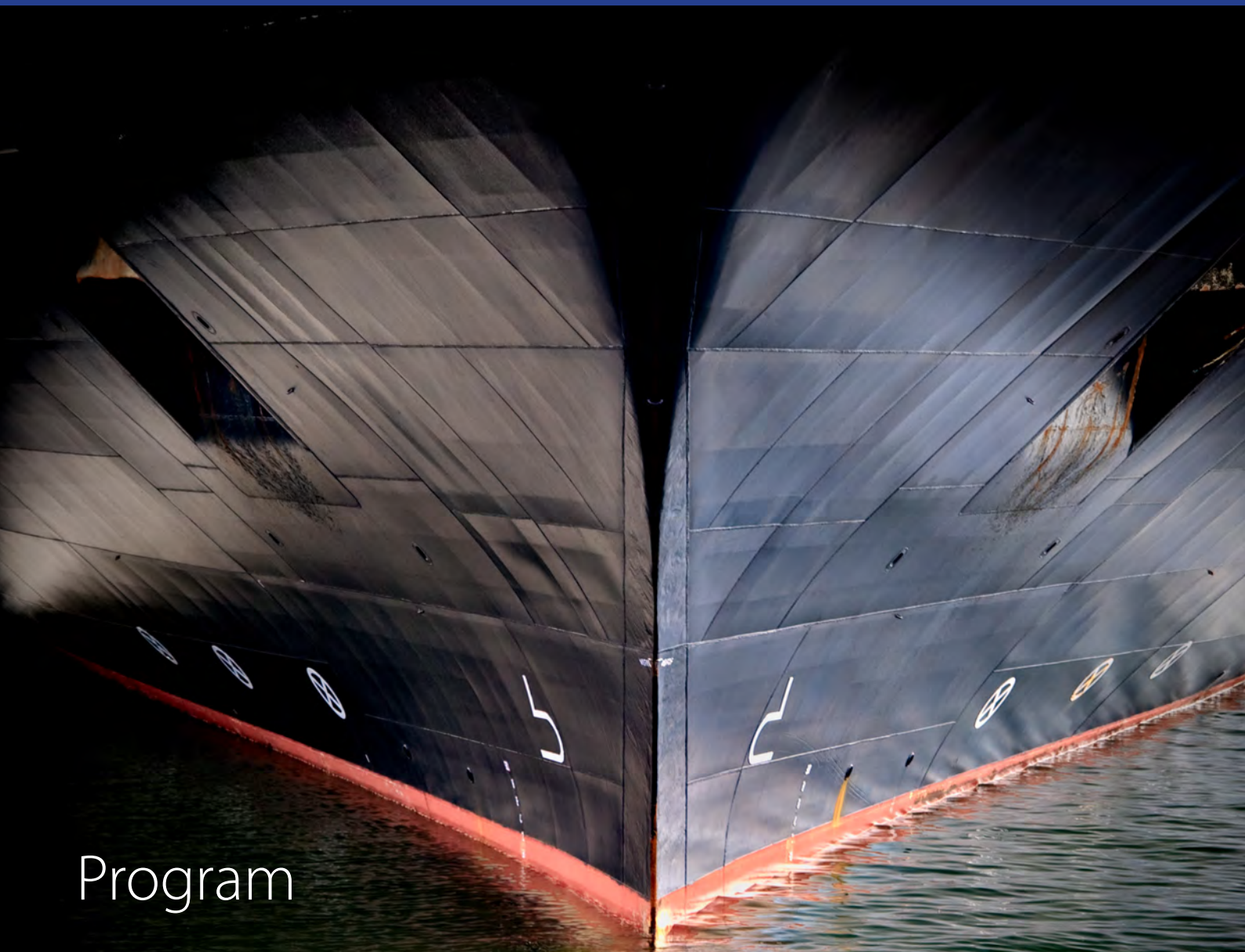


Venue
Parmelia Hilton,
Perth, Western Australia

48th National Conference

Future of Shipping

October 4th – 6th, 2023



Program



48th National Conference

Wednesday 4 October

- 4:30-6:00pm **Registration**
6:00-8:00pm **Welcome Reception** - Swan Room and Terrace of the Parmelia Hilton Perth
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Thursday 5 October

- 7:30am **Registration and Arrival Tea & Coffee**
COFFEE CART SPONSORED BY THOMAS MILLER (AUSTRALASIA) PTY LTD
- 7:55am **Conference Opening and Welcome to Country**
- 8:15am **Introduction of Dethridge Memorial Speaker**
- 8:20am **Dethridge Memorial Address**
The Honourable James Allsop AO
- 9:15am **Morning Tea**
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Session 1

Sanctions & Security

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SESSION CHAIR - Hamish Fletcher, Partner, Oceanlaw

- 9:45am **Dr Robin Bowley**, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, University of Technology Sydney
"Sanctions"
- 10:05am **Martin Davies**, Admiralty Law Institute Professor of Maritime Law, Director, Tulane Maritime Law Centre, Tulane University Law School, USA
"Is there a future for Bills of Lading?"
- 10:55am **Gareth Baker**, Acting Assistant Secretary, Industry Partnerships & Infrastructure Policy Division, Department of Home Affairs, Canberra
"Ensuring the Security of Australia's Critical Maritime Infrastructure"
- 11:15am **Adam Falconer-West**, CEO, Franmarine
"Marine biosecurity & ways technology assists vessel owners & operators with compliance"

Session 2

Maritime Windfarms Planning & Installation, Insuring for Project & Operational Risk

SESSION CHAIR - Julia Routley, Associate Director, Cocks Macnish

- 11:35am **Chris Meecham**, Geoscience Specialist, Alinta Energy

Program Overview

- 11:50am **Owen Wilson**, Executive Director Offshore Renewables Regulation, Offshore Infrastructure Regulator
"An Update from the Regulator"
- 12:05pm **Jacob Damgaard**, Associate Director, Loss Prevention, The Britannia Steam Ship Insurance Association Europe Singapore Branch, Singapore
"The Risks Associated with Shipping Offshore Windmill Components"
- 12:20pm **Discussion**
- 12:35pm **Lunch**

Session 3

Maritime Changes Afoot Energy transition/ automation/greening

SESSION CHAIR - Naraya Lamart, Marine and Transport Lead, Wotton & Kearney

- 1:35pm **Michelle Brooks**, Sustainability Leader, Scientist, Lawyer and NELA Director, Integrate ESG
"ESG and Sustainability Standards"
- 1:55pm **Tristan Kathage**, Assistant Secretary, Department of Infrastructure, (Reducing Surface Transport Emissions Branch), Canberra
"Greening of Shipping"
- 2:15pm **Jeremy Shor**, General Manager - Shipping & Optimisation, Woodside Energy
"Decarbonisation in Shipping"
- 2:35pm **Richard Palmer**, Service Delivery Manager - Australia and New Zealand Marine and Offshore, Lloyd's Register International
"Alternative Fuels and their Implications"

Session 4

Digitalisation

SESSION CHAIR - Stephen Thompson, Partner, Colin Biggers & Paisley Pty Ltd

- 2:55pm **Richard Donaldson**, General Counsel, Pilbara Ports Authority (Ports Australia Legal Working Group Chair)
"Cyber Security - A Maritime and Ports Perspective on Associated Legal Issues"
- 3:15pm **Patrick Seares**, Managing Director, Westport (On behalf of Dept. of Transport)
"Westport Stage 3 - Talk on operational update"
- 3:35pm **Afternoon Tea**



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Session 5

Decommissioning

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SESSION CHAIR - Pat Saraceni,
Director L&DR, Clifford Chance

4:05pm

Dr Francis Norman,
CEO & Managing Director – CODA
“Australia’s Emerging Decommissioning Landscape:
Managing Demand in an Evolving Environment”

4:25pm

Jim Cole,
GM Environment - Birdon Group
“Decommissioning of Ships & Discussion”

4:40pm

Sebastian Locke,
Deputy Harbour Master - Fremantle Ports
“Decommissioning of Ships & Discussion”

4:55-5:15pm

Panel Discussion/Q&A

6:15pm

Buses depart from Hilton Parmelia Hotel

7:00-10:30pm

Conference Dinner - Royal Perth Yacht Club

Friday 6 October

7:30am

Arrival Tea and Coffee
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Session 6

Emergency

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SPARKE HELMORE LAWYERS

SESSION CHAIR - Michelle Taylor,
Partner, Sparke Helmore Lawyers

8:00am

Mark Morrow,
Executive Director, Response Division,
Australian Maritime Safety Authority,
Canberra (MERCOCM)/AMSA
“Role & function of MERCOCM under the National
Plan for Maritime Environmental Emergencies”

8:20am

Deb Despard,
Deputy Chief Executive Regulatory Operations,
Maritime New Zealand
“NZ Regulator’s perspective on Ports and
Harbours; Harm and Prevention Programmes”

8:50am

Steve Wenban,
Harbour Master, Marine Safety,
Department of Transport
“A case study – Maritime Emergency
Environmental Response in WA”

Session 7

Automation

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PACIFIC MARITIME LAWYERS

SESSION CHAIR - John Kavanagh,
Principal Solicitor/Master Mariner; Pacific
Maritime Lawyers

9:10am

Mehrangiz Shahbakhsh
Shipping Analyst & Liaison Officer, Shipping
Australia Limited
“Human element and autonomous ship”

Program Overview

9:30am

Ben Fell, Project Manager, Fugro
“USV and Remote Operations”

9:50am

Maggie-Jo McGregor,
Head of Claims, Shipowners P&I Club
“Autonomous Vessels & Risks”

10:10am

Morning Tea

Session 8

Future Trends

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SESSION CHAIR - Michael Fisher,
Partner-Marine & Transport, Thynne Macartney

10:40am

Paul Myburgh,
Professor of Law, Auckland University
of Technology Law School, New Zealand
“Future of anti-suit injunctions”

11:00am

Paul David KC,
Barrister New Zealand
Limitation principles in operation – some recent cases

11:20am

Gregory Nell SC,
New Chambers, Sydney; Chair AMTAC
“Yielding to arbitration: a more liberal approach?”

11:40am

Justice Angus Stewart,
Federal Court of Australia, Sydney
“Judicial sales and the new convention”

12:10pm

Charles Street,
Barrister, Selborne Chambers, Sydney
“Judicial Sale of Ships and other Property;
Some Issues”

12:30pm

Discussion

12:50pm

Lunch

Session 9

Carriage of Cargo

SESSION CHAIR - The Hon Justice Sarah
Derrington AM, Federal Court of Australia

1:50pm

Peter McQueen,
Independent Arbitrator and Mediator, NSW
“Review of Australian COGSA 1991”

2:10pm

Shi Yan Lee, (Singapore) Assistant Registrar, SCMA
“The Future of Shipping Dispute Resolution:
Yet (Another) DR Mechanism?”

2:30pm

Mathew Harvey KC,
Owen Dixon Chambers West, Melbourne
“Eternal Bliss – Damages and Demurrage?”

2:50pm

Michael Swanson,
Barrister, Selborne Chambers, Sydney
“Class Actions as the future of large cargo
claims how to design your class action”

3:10pm

Afternoon Tea

3:40pm

Admiralty Users’ Group Discussion
Chaired by Justice Sarah Derrington

4:40pm

Closing Address - Pat Saraceni,
MLAANZ 2023 Conference Chair

5:00-6:30pm

AGM and Casual Wine & Cheese

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