

Trends, developments and opportunities for bulk and unitised shortsea shipping

- > Two-day conference
- > Bulk and unitised streams
- > Conference dinner
- > Port tour
- > Pre-conference reception

Key conference themes:

Trends & opportunities: in depth analysis of current freight movements by cargo and mode, new and growth cargoes, potential and drivers for modal shift, changing cargo sources and emerging shortsea trade patterns

Integration & intermodality: the potential for greater integration with road, rail and river transport. Transshipment issues and efficient multimodal supply chains

What the customer wants: an insight into the needs and requirements of the transport buyer, the changing role of the intermediary and an investigation of the associated opportunities and obstacles

Ports & terminals: what makes a port shortsea friendly, the growing importance of port based distribution centres and efficient hinterland connections, transshipment issues and new terminal developments

Emerging issues: the latest political and legislative developments, the growth of financing options for shortsea, legal pitfalls, promoting the sector

THE EUROPEAN SHORTSEA CONGRESS

DUBLIN CASTLE, DUBLIN, IRELAND
24-25 JUNE 2008

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Dublin Castle

The Congress will be held in Dublin Castle. Although a strategically important site since before the tenth century, the first castle was established here in 1204 by King John of England. It became the most important fortification in Ireland and functioned as the seat of colonial rule and the centre of military, political and social affairs for many centuries. In 1684, after the great fire, it became a palace rather than a fortress and the current architecture dates from the eighteenth century. It was here, in 1922, that the British handed over power to the new Irish State. Since independence, the Castle now hosts important state functions including the inaugurations of Irish presidents.

Conference dinner

St Patrick's Hall, the finest of Dublin Castle's State Apartments, is Ireland's most important ceremonial room and will form the backdrop to the conference dinner. Included in the price of the delegate fee, the dinner will be held on the evening of the first day and will prove an invaluable opportunity to network with other delegates and discuss the day's conference proceedings.

Reception

The Irish Marine Institute is delighted to invite all delegates for pre-conference drinks onboard their research vessel Celtic Explorer on the evening of Monday 23 June. Full details will be circulated before the event.

Port Tour

The Port of Dublin is a thriving working port handling around 6½ million tonnes of bulk cargo and more than 650,000 TEU annually. We have arranged for interested delegates to take a tour of the port facilities on the morning of the second day. Coaches will leave a central Dublin location and return delegates to Dublin Castle in time for the start of the day's conference agenda. There is no additional cost to participate in this tour.



- 0900 Registration
- 0930 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Chris Borne, Executive Director, European Liner Affairs Association
- 0935 **Welcome and keynote address**
Minister Noel Dempsey, T.D., Minister for Transport

Session 1 – Trends and opportunities

- 0950 **Global freight flows and their affect on the shortsea market**
• International freight patterns • Cargo splits
• Growth forecasts • Opportunities for shortsea
Nigel Gardiner, Managing Director, Drewry Shipping Consultants
- 1010 **European freight flows and current shortsea trends**
• Current freight movements • Modal split
• Bulk • Unitised • Growth forecasts
Mike Garratt, Managing Director, MDS Transmodal Ltd
- 1030 **Future opportunities and cargoes**
• New sources and destinations • Emerging freight patterns
• New and growth cargoes • Key drivers
Fred Doll, Managing Director, Doll Shipping Consultancy
- 1050 Questions & discussion
1100 Tea & coffee

Session 2 – Integration and intermodality

- 1130 **Effective multimodal supply chains**
• How to optimise supply chains • Transshipment issues • Examples of best practice
Professor John Mangan, The Peter Thompson Chair in Logistics & Director of the Logistics Institute, Business School, The University of Hull
- 1150 **How the EU can assist**
• Motorways of the Sea • Trans-European Network
• Other policy initiatives • Recent successes
Patrick Norroy, DG-TREN, European Commission
- 1210 **The WESTMOS project**
Capt. Michael McCarthy, Commercial Manager, Port of Cork Company
- 1230 **Optimum integration with road, rail and inland shipping**
Confirmed speaker, MacAndrews
- 1250 Questions & discussion
1310 Lunch

Session 3 Stream 1 – Bulk Cargoes

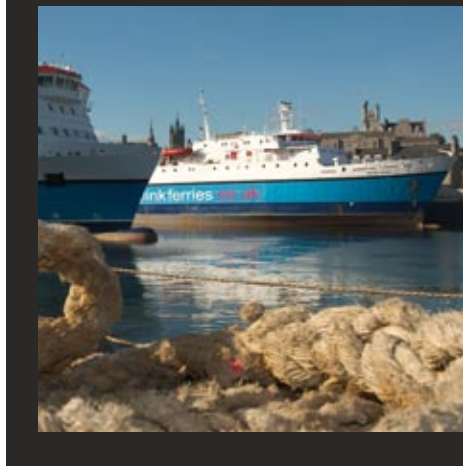
- 1415 **Opening remarks from session chairman**
Speaker tbc
- 1425 **What the customer wants – wet bulk**
• A unique insight from a shortsea wet bulk customer
Speaker tbc
- 1445 **What the customer wants – dry bulk**
• A unique insight from a shortsea dry bulk customer
Ewald JJ Neve, Head of Global Supply Chain Management, Performance Minerals and Pigments, IMERYS Mineraux Belgique
- 1505 **The intermediaries perspective**
Mark Harrison, HC Shipping
- 1525 **Obstacles and opportunities**
• Are customers getting what they want? • How can customer service be improved? • What is preventing growth and development and how can these obstacles be addressed?
Tim Lowry, Managing Director, Coastal Bulk Shipping Ltd
- 1545 Discussion session (tea and coffee served)
- 1645 **Session summation**
Session chairman

Session 3 Stream 2 – Unitised Cargoes

- 1415 **Opening remarks from session chairman**
Andrew Trill, Managing Director, The Shippers Voice
- 1425 **What the customer wants – liner**
• A unique insight from a shortsea liner customer
Steve Cox, Global Seafreight Director, HJ Heinz
- 1445 **What the customer wants – ro-ro**
• A unique insight from a ro-ro customer
Joe Grealy, Thermo King
- 1505 **The intermediaries perspective**
Speaker tbc
- 1525 **Obstacles and opportunities**
• Are customers getting what they want? • How can customer service be improved? • What is preventing growth and development and how can these obstacles be addressed?
Liam Lacy, Managing Director, Eucon
- 1545 Discussion session (tea and coffee served)
- 1645 **Session summation**
Session chairman

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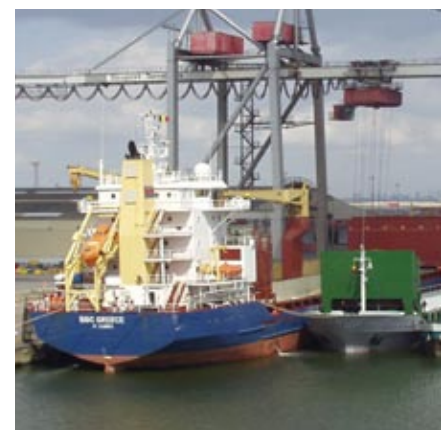
- 0830 **Visit to Port of Dublin**
- 1030 **Chairman's opening remarks and feedback from previous day's sessions**
Chris Borne, Executive Director, European Liner Affairs Association and session chairmen from the previous day
- 1100 Questions & discussion

Session 4 – Shortsea ports and terminals

- 1115 **Shortsea friendly ports**
• What makes a port shortsea friendly • Increasing port capacity
• Reducing turnaround time
Confirmed speaker, Port of Amsterdam
- 1135 **Port growth and development**
• Port based RDCs • Efficient hinterland connections
Graham Hall, PD Ports
- 1155 **New terminal developments**
• Feeder • Bulk
Speaker tbc
- 1215 Questions and discussion
1230 Lunch

Session 5 – Emerging Issues

- 1345 **Financing issues**
• Growth of financing options for shortsea operators • Emerging KG schemes
Paul Packard, Bank of Ireland
- 1405 **Legal issues**
• Topical legal issues • Recent judgements
• Legal pitfalls and how they might be avoided
John Hulmes, Partner, Head of North West Marine Team of Hill Dickinson LLP
- 1425 **Political and legislative developments**
• How are governments assisting the development of shortsea? • Political and legislative issues from the shipowners' perspective • Environmental issues
Alfons Guinier, Secretary General, ECSA
- 1445 **What do we have to do to achieve modal shift?**
• Practical actions to get more freight onto shortsea
Gavin Roser, Managing Director, Pantrak Transportation and Coastlink
- 1505 **How to get the message across effectively**
• Identifying the messages • Targeting the audiences • Vehicles for promotion
Roger Hailey, Lloyd's List
- 1525 Questions & discussion
1545 Chairman's closing remarks
- 1600 **Close of conference**
Tea and Coffee



Shortsea shipping is a hugely important mode of transportation within Europe. Each year, more than 2 billion tonnes of freight is moved by shortsea accounting for over 60% of all European maritime freight movements. Liquid bulk is the predominant shortsea cargo representing half of all that is carried. Dry bulk cargoes account for some 20% of movements and 12% – or around 25 million TEU – is carried in containers.

Recognising the importance of European shortsea shipping, the Irish Maritime Development Office, together with Navigate Conferences, is staging this European Shortsea Congress in the maritime city of Dublin.

This brand new event will bring together the industry's main participants to discuss the relevant issues surrounding this important sector. Carriers, shippers, ports, logistics professionals and service providers will take part in a tightly focused debate designed to tackle some of the more pressing industry issues.

Acknowledged experts will begin by describing today's industry and rehearsing current and likely trends, drawing out future trade possibilities. Movement of manufacturing bases and new sources of raw and refined materials will be discussed in the context of identifying new and enhanced opportunities for shortsea shipping.

The programme will continue with an examination of the synergies to be achieved through efficient dovetailing with other transport modes and also how best to optimise the supply chain.

Splitting into two streams, the conference will hear from buyers of both bulk and unitised shortsea shipping services to understand the pressures and issues they face and what they require as customers. The conclusions of both streams of debate will be fed back to the main conference at the start of day two.

The ingredients for a shortsea friendly port, increasing port efficiency, port-based distribution centres, effective hinterland connections, storage issues and an insight into new facilities soon to come on-stream will form the bulk of the morning's debate on the second day. This will be followed by a unique examination of the emerging issues surrounding shortsea shipping. The latest regulatory and legislative regimes will be presented alongside new ideas for financing and funding shortsea operations. Topical legal issues and relevant shortsea cases will be discussed. In addition, our speakers will also address how shortsea is viewed by the general transport sector and how best we can promote ourselves.

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Class societies
Deepsea interests
Finance providers
Inland shipping operators
Lawyers & insurers
Logistics providers
Market analysts, consultants and academics
Port management services
Port & terminal operators
Road and rail transport providers
RoRo & LoLo operators
Shipbrokers
Shipmanagers
Shortsea feeder and liner operators
Shortsea liquid and dry bulk operators

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First delegate name /

Position

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I will attend the conference dinner / port tour / RV Celtic Explorer reception

On the first day I would like to participate in the bulk stream / unitised stream (tick one box only)

Second delegate name /

Position

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Company name /

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Booking Contact / Please give details of the person to whom general conference correspondence and receipted invoices should be sent:

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Purchase order no (if any)

Payment / Conference fee (includes conference dinner and port tour) per delegate €500 plus VAT @ 21% = **€605**

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Conference Venue

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