

## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport policy conference:

### Next steps for the UK maritime sector

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024

\*\*\*Taking place online\*\*\*



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentary
- 9.05 **Priorities for decarbonising the UK's shipping industry**  
**Dr Eamonn Beirne**, Deputy Director, UK Shipping Office for Reducing Emissions, Maritime Directorate, Department for Transport  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Future-proofing the UK's maritime sector**  
*Converging environmental and economic benefits of decarbonisation | Developing resilient supply chains | Priorities for investment, regulation, innovation and the integration of new technologies*  
**Katrina Ross**, Policy Director, Commercial and Governance, UK Chamber of Shipping  
**Jonathan Hood**, UK Sustainable Shipping Manager, Transport & Environment  
Senior representative, finance  
Senior representative, innovation  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 **Developing the UK National Clean Maritime Research Hub**  
**Professor Tony Roskill**, Director, UK National Clean Maritime Research Hub  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Alternative policy approaches to the UK maritime sector**  
**Mike Kane MP**, Shadow Minister for Aviation and Maritime  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentary
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentary
- 11.20 **Next steps for shipping in the UK - growing the UK ship register, competitiveness, and the future of smart shipping and autonomous vessels**  
Senior representative, shipping
- 11.30 **Growing and protecting the seafarer workforce**  
*Priorities for improving seafarer numbers | Maximising the impact of new technologies in seafarer training | Addressing welfare concerns*  
**Martyn Gray**, Director of Organising, Nautilus International  
**Steve Cameron**, Principal Consultant, CMR; and Member, Maritime Professional Council  
Senior representative, technology
- 11.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 **Revitalising ports and coastal communities**  
*Assessing the opportunities associated with decarbonisation | Next steps for Freeports | Role of the maritime sector in achieving wider levelling-up objectives*  
**Marlene Mitchell**, Commercial Manager, Port of Aberdeen  
**Stuart Baker**, Managing Director, Maritime UK Solent  
Senior representative, business  
Senior representative, local authority  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.50 **Policy priorities for the UK maritime sector moving forward**  
Senior representative, policy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 13.15 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentary  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum