

Industry Workshop
Shipping and Climate Change
The Way Ahead

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The Stanhope Hotel
Rue du Commerce, 9
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European Marine Equipment Council

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Against the background of the intense focus currently being given to Climate Change, both internationally and at the EU level, the maritime industry is actively looking at how it can best contribute to the ongoing improvement of its CO₂ performance.

It is in this context that we are pleased to inform you that the European Community Shipowners Associations* (ECSA) together with the European Marine Equipment Council* (EMEC) are organising a one day workshop on **Wednesday 4 June 2008** under the theme: "**Shipping and Climate Change – The Way Ahead**".

The event will discuss the expectations and possibilities for maritime CO₂ reduction seen from both the political and technical perspectives which we believe will prove of interest and benefit to representatives from the EU institutions, shipowners, marine equipment manufactures, yards and ports.

The workshop will take place in the Stanhope Hotel - Rue du Commerce, 9 1000 Brussels, Belgium.

A formal invitation and programme will follow in due course.

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*The **European Community Shipowners Associations (ECSA)**, formed in 1965, comprises the national shipowner associations of the EU and Norway. European shipping controls more than 40% of the global merchant fleet serving European and global trade. ECSA works through a permanent secretariat in Brussels and a Board of Directors, as well as a number of specialised committees. Its aim is to promote the interests of European shipping so that the industry can best serve European and international trade and commerce in a competitive free enterprise environment to the benefit of shippers and consumers.

*The **European Marine Equipment Council (EMEC)**, which represents the European marine equipment industry (the term 'marine equipment' refers to all products and services supplied for the building, conversion, and maintenance of ships), consists of 12 European trade associations. The companies active in the sector, the majority of which are SMEs and world leaders in many of the activities, produce up to 70% of the value of a ship (85% for cruise ships). They qualify as the most important employer in the maritime industry and highly contribute to the European economic growth.

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