

Conference Programme Navigating to 2050 A Safe and Sustainable Maritime Future.

Tuesday 15th November 2022

Session one - Navigating Safely and Sustainably to 2050

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8:00 am	Registration and Refreshments
9:00 am	Welcome and Introduction Yvonne Shields O'Connor, CEO, Irish Lights.
9:15 am	Conference Opening Minister Hildegarde Naughton, Minister of State, Department of Transport.
9:25 am	Session 1. Navigating Safely and Sustainably to 2050 Chairperson: Opening remarks from Session Chairperson Dr. Paul Little, CEO, City of Glasgow College and Chair of UK Shipping Skills Taskforce.
9:30 am	Conference Keynote Address: Transitioning to a Sustainable and Profitable Decarbonised Shipping Future Anthony Gurnee, Founder and CEO of Ardmore Shipping, Ireland.
9:55 am	Safety and Sustainability: Ensuring the Resilience of Future Shipping Maja Markovčić Kostelac, Executive Director, European Maritime Safety Agency, Portugal.
10:15 am	Reality 2050: Meeting IMO targets, an industry perspective. Chris Waddington, Technical Director, International Chamber of Shipping (ICS).
10:35 am	Coffee break
11:15 am	Implications of Fit for 55 on the Irish Maritime Sector and Wider Economy Prof. Alan Ahearne, University of Galway, Ireland.
11:35 am	Climate Challenges for the Maritime Sector: National and International Targets Caoimhín Ó Ciaruáin, Assistant Secretary, Department of Transport, Ireland.
11:55 am	What Will It Take to Decarbonise the Maritime Sector? Dr. Kirsi Tikka, Independent Director and International Maritime Advisor, UK.
12:15 pm	Unlocking the Opportunities From Tackling Climate Change in the Maritime Sector Aoife O'Leary, CEO, Opportunity Green, UK.
12:30 pm	Panel discussion including all speakers above
1:15 pm	Lunch
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Evening Reception at the Portrait Gallery, Dublin Castle.

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Session three - A Changing Offshore Seascape - Keeping it Safe

8:00 am	Registration and Refreshments
9:00 am	Session 3. A changing Offshore Seascape, Keeping it Safe. Welcome from Chairperson: Maria Graham, Assistant Secretary, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Ireland.
9:10 am	Developing a shared and safe space for offshore renewable energy in Ireland Martina Hennessy, Principal Officer, Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications, Ireland.
9:30 am	Shipping and the Use of Maritime Space in Times of Offshore Wind Energy Expansion: Lessons for Policy Makers and Industry Kai Truempler, Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH), Germany.
9:50 am	Development and implementation of a safety regime for shipping in relation to offshore wind developments.: Carien Droppers, Coordinating Specialist Advisor Shipping, Rijkswaterstaat Sea and Delta, The Netherlands.
10:20 am	Coffee break
10:50 am	Offshore Wind Developments and Safe Navigation: The Experience of the UK General Lighthouse Authorities Nigel Hare, Director of Navigational Requirements, Trinity House, UK.
11:10 am	A Developer's Perspective on the Maritime Safety Aspects of Offshore Renewable Energy Development
	Adam Cronin, Head of Offshore – DP Energy.
11:30 am	Adam Cronin, Head of Offshore – DP Energy. Panel discussion will include speakers and the following contributors: Robert Mc Cabe, Chair of the Irish Seafood and Offshore Energy Working Group. Cormac Greburers, Head of the National Maritime College of Ireland. Noel Cunniffe, CEO, Wind Energy Ireland.

Session four - Ports and Regional Infrastructure in 2050

1:00 pm	Session 4. Ports and Regional Infrastructure in 2050 Chairperson: Opening remarks from Session Chairperson Liam Lacey, Director, Irish Maritime Development Office (IMDO).
1:05 pm	The European Maritime Space: How the Maritime Transport Sector Is Part of the De-carbonisation Solution Prof. Kurt Bodewig, Co-ordinator, Motorways of the Sea - DG MOVE, EU Commission, Brussels.
1:30 pm	National Ports Policy Review Mary Dunning, Principal Officer, Dept. of Transport, Ireland.
1:50 pm	The Role of the Ports for a Climate Neutral Economy by 2050 Pat Keating, Shannon Estuary Economic Taskforce and Shannon Foynes Port, Ireland.
2:10 pm	The Role of Ports in Supporting the Energy and Sustainability Transition Michael Robinson, Port Director, Belfast Harbour, Northern Ireland.
2:30 pm	Coffee break
3:00 pm	Green Hydrogen Unlocks a Secure, Sustainable and Equitable Energy Future Catherine Sheridan, EIH2, Chief Operating Officer, Ireland.
3:20 pm	Offshore Large-Scale Subsurface Energy Storage: A Key Element in Ireland's Transition to Net Zero Dr. John O'Sullivan, COO and Co-founder, dCarbonX, Ireland.
3:40 pm	Panel discussion with speakers
4:20 pm	Conference Closing Remarks Yvonne Shields O'Connor, CEO, Irish Lights.