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The 2026 line-up is being finalised.
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Major Topics 2026

- ▶ Opening Keynote: The Fleet of 2030 — Performance as a Competitive Weapon
- ▶ Shipowners' Panel: What Actually Pays Back — Real Returns on Efficiency Technology
- ▶ Propulsion & Energy Efficiency — The Hardware Agenda
- ▶ The Data-Driven Ship — Performance Monitoring, Digital Twins & Predictive Maintenance
- ▶ AI on the Bridge and in the Office — Hype vs. Operational Reality
- ▶ Connected & Secure — Connectivity and Cyber Resilience at Sea
- ▶ Upgrading the Existing Fleet — Smart CAPEX Decisions
- ▶ The October Decision: Inside the IMO Net-Zero Framework Vote
- ▶ Navigating a Fragmented Rulebook — IMO, EU ETS, FuelEU Maritime
- ▶ Geopolitics & Trade Routes — Sanctions, Shadow Fleet, Chokepoints
- ▶ Insuring the Fleet in a Volatile World
- ▶ Fleet Renewal Economics — Newbuild, Retrofit or Second-Hand?
- ▶ Financing the Future Fleet
- ▶ Owners' Roundtable — Fleet Strategy 2030
- ▶ Technology Spotlights & Hosted 1:1 Meetings
- ▶ Special Award Gala Night



Attracting Key Industry Professionals

- CEO / COO, Shipowning Companies
- Fleet Director
- Technical Director
- Head of Fleet Performance
- Director of Ship Management
- Marine / Technical Superintendent
- Head of Procurement & Purchasing
- Chief Digital Officer / CIO
- Head of Digital Transformation
- Fleet IT & Cyber Security Manager
- Port Authority & Terminal Innovation Director
- Head of Insurance & Risk
- Ship Finance Director
- Head of Newbuilding & Fleet Renewal Projects

DAY 1 · TUE 20 OCTOBER

The Intelligent & Efficient Fleet

Technology day: the hardware and software of fleet performance — energy efficiency, onboard technology, data, AI, connectivity and cyber resilience.

08:30 REGISTRATION · WELCOME COFFEE · EXHIBITION OPENS

09:00 **Chairman's Opening Remarks**

09:10 **Opening Keynote — The Fleet of 2030: Performance as a Competitive Weapon**

Why efficiency and intelligence, not size, will decide the winners of the next shipping cycle.

09:40 **Shipowners' Panel — What Actually Pays Back**

Owners compare real-world returns on efficiency technologies: what delivered, what disappointed, what they would buy again.

10:30 NETWORKING COFFEE & EXHIBITION

11:00 **Propulsion & Energy Efficiency — The Hardware Agenda**

Engine optimisation, hull forms and coatings, air lubrication, wind-assist and waste-heat recovery.

11:45 **Technology Spotlights**

Rapid-fire presentations of proven solutions, selected for direct relevance to the fleets in the room.

12:20 NETWORKING LUNCH & HOSTED 1:1 MEETINGS

13:30 **The Data-Driven Ship**

Performance monitoring, digital twins and predictive maintenance: turning vessel data into measurable OPEX savings.

14:15 **AI on the Bridge and in the Office — Hype vs. Operational Reality**

Where AI is already earning its keep in voyage optimisation, technical management and back-office operations — and where it isn't yet.

15:00 NETWORKING COFFEE & EXHIBITION

15:30 **Connected & Secure — Connectivity and Cyber Resilience at Sea**

The new connectivity baseline, crew and operational implications, and defending an increasingly digital fleet.

16:15 **Upgrading the Existing Fleet — Smart CAPEX Decisions**

Prioritising fleet upgrade investments: business cases, yard capacity, downtime and payback.

17:00 **Day One Wrap-Up**

19:00 GALA DINNER & MARITIME AWARDS CEREMONY

DAY 2 · WED 21 OCTOBER

Fleet Strategy: Risk, Regulation & Renewal

Strategy day: the boardroom agenda — the IMO decision, fragmented regulation, geopolitics and trade routes, insurance, fleet renewal economics and finance.

08:30 WELCOME COFFEE & EXHIBITION

09:00 **Keynote — The October Decision: Inside the IMO Net-Zero Framework Vote**

The IMO reconvenes this very month. What the outcome — either way — means for compliance costs, fuel choices and fleet planning.

09:30 **Navigating a Fragmented Rulebook**

IMO, EU ETS, FuelEU Maritime and regional regimes: a compliance strategy that survives regulatory uncertainty.

10:15 NETWORKING COFFEE & EXHIBITION

10:45 **Geopolitics & Trade Routes — Sanctions, Shadow Fleet, Chokepoints**

Rerouted trades, sanctions compliance, the shadow fleet's market impact and security of navigation — from the Baltic to the Red Sea.

11:30 **Insuring the Fleet in a Volatile World**

War risk, cyber cover and evolving P&I appetites: what underwriters see coming — and what it will cost.

12:15 NETWORKING LUNCH & HOSTED 1:1 MEETINGS

13:30 **Fleet Renewal Economics — Newbuild, Retrofit or Second-Hand?**

Yard capacity, asset prices, technology risk and residual values: sequencing fleet renewal under uncertainty.

14:15 **Financing the Future Fleet**

Bank appetite, alternative capital and the terms attached to modern tonnage: what financiers want to see in your fleet plan.

15:00 NETWORKING COFFEE & EXHIBITION

15:30 **Owners' Roundtable — Fleet Strategy 2030**

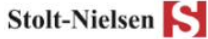
Senior owners draw the threads together: the investments, partnerships and bets that will define the winning fleet of 2030.

16:15 **Chairman's Closing Remarks & Farewell Reception**

Maritime Awards 2026 — Nominations

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Presented at the Gala Dinner on 20 October. As at every WISDOM summit, nominations are made openly — nominees announced to date include:

01	Shipowner of the Year Outstanding overall fleet performance, vision and leadership. SHIPOWNERS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
02	Ship Management Company of the Year Excellence in technical management, OPEX control and fleet reliability. OWNERS & MANAGERS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
03	Fleet Efficiency Excellence Award Measurable fuel and energy efficiency gains across an operating fleet. SHIPOWNERS & OPERATORS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
04	Digital Innovation & AI Award The most impactful deployment of data, AI or digital tools in fleet operations. TECHNOLOGY & OWNERS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
05	Retrofit Project of the Year A completed retrofit that set a new standard for payback, execution or innovation. YARDS & OPERATORS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC

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06	Cyber Resilience Award Leadership in protecting an increasingly connected fleet and shore organisation. CLASS, TECH & OWNERS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
07	Port & Terminal of the Year Infrastructure, digitalisation or service innovation at the ship–shore interface. PORTS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
08	Safety & Crew Welfare Award Exceptional commitment to seafarer safety, wellbeing and development. CREWING & OPERATORS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
09	Maritime Technology Provider of the Year The supplier whose solution delivered the greatest proven value to shipowners. VENDORS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC
10	Maritime Leader of the Year An individual whose leadership has shaped the industry's direction. INDIVIDUALS				NOMINATION OPEN — TBC

NOMINATE YOUR COMPANY, PROJECT OR INDUSTRY PEER

NOMINATIONS OPEN — WINNERS ANNOUNCED AT THE GALA DINNER, 20 OCTOBER



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