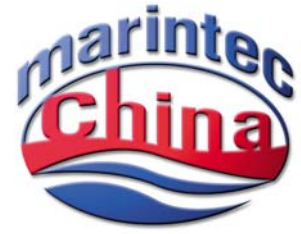


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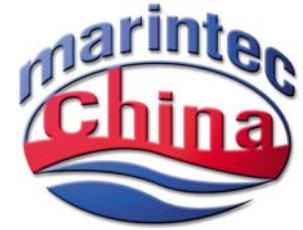
30 years of Glory – the 15th Edition of Marintec China Opens Today

Sponsored by the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, PRC, Ministry of Transport, PRC and the Shanghai Municipal People's Government, and co-sponsored by the China State Shipbuilding Corporation, the China Shipbuilding Industry Corporation, the China Association of National Shipbuilding Industry and the Chinese Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers, organised and managed by UBM and the Shanghai Society of Naval Architects & Marine Engineers (SSNAME), the biennial Maritime China – the All China Maritime Conference & Exhibition - will open tomorrow at the Shanghai New International Expo Centre (SNIEC).

More than 1,200 exhibiting companies from 28 countries/regions are here, gathering at one place, to celebrate the 15th Edition, the 30th Anniversary of Marintec China. With a significant 40% increase in the floor area from 2007, this year's Marintec China will cover over 50,000 square metres, taking up five exhibition halls of SNIEC.

Such a record-breaking scale of Marintec China has been contributed to by the global recognition received and the attractiveness of China maritime market thus making Marintec China the most definitive maritime exhibition in Asia. The shadows of the global economic crisis are still hanging over the maritime industry, but the quick responses and appropriate measures of the Chinese government have made it possible for China to recover its economy quicker than the other countries. In order to make Chinese maritime industry grow in a healthy way, China has been showing its strong adaptability to the global challenge with a series of proper counter policy and measures, which give directions to the future industry development. Moreover, the statistics data is once stated that the macro economic policy in China has shown its advantage and the overall economic situation has stabilized and recovered, the

operation of waterway transportation has experienced active changes, and the demand on the transportation of bulk cargo has continued to rise.



What is more, the construction of Shanghai International Shipping Center and Shanghai World Expo next year will undoubtedly be beneficial to the development of the maritime industry. The 15th Edition of Marintec China, will once again serve as an ideal platform for strengthening the mutual contacts and exchanges, and discussing together the countermeasures for dealing with the current crisis, as well as creating win-win cooperative opportunities.

Marintec China 2009 is just the right time for the whole industry to undertake a review of the previous year of work. This year, the organisers welcome a total of 18 national/regional pavilions, namely from Austria, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, the Hong Kong SAR, Japan, Korea, the Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States. Once again, as the host country of Marintec China, Chinese exhibiting companies will make up the largest national group, followed in size by the German Pavilion, which is the largest overseas pavilion in the exhibition. They will be joined by exhibitors from Belgium, Canada, Greece, India, Italy, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia and Turkey. At the same time this will be the largest scale event - in floor area - as all the exhibiting companies will spread over five exhibition halls, setting up a new milestone in Marintec China's history.

The concurrent opportunity for all participants of Marintec China 2009 to get the most up-to-date market and industry information lies in the concurrent Senior Maritime Forum. This year's theme, "Crisis, Challenges and Opportunities", suits the industry's current status with great concern. The Forum is structured exactly to enable the sharing, examination and discussion of crisis, challenges and opportunities that the industry is facing or may encounter during the global financial crisis. It will be held on 1 and 2 December at Sofitel Shanghai Jin Jiang Oriental Pudong. The Forum will feature four sessions in which the highlight will be put into the Keynote session and the China

Summit on International Ocean Engineering Equipment. Ambassador Svein O. Sæther, Ambassador of Norway to China; Mr. Spyros Polemis, Chairman, International Chamber of Shipping; Dr. Hermann J. Klein, Chairman of International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) Council & Executive Board Member, Germanischer Lloyd; Dr. Martin Stopford, Managing Director, Clarkson PLC; and Mr. Zhu Hongren, Chief Engineer, Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, PRC; Mr. Xu Zuyuan, Deputy Minister of Transport, PRC; Leader from Shanghai Municipal People's Government ; Mr. Zhang Guangqin, Chairman, China Association of National Shipbuilding Industry; Leader from the Chinese Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, China State Shipbuilding Corporation and China Shipbuilding Industry Corporation; Mr. Wei Jiafu, Chairman, China Shipowners Association, and President, China Ocean Shipping (Group) Company (COSCO), etc... over 30 senior Chinese government officials and high-level executives from overseas trade associations and organisations will gather together to share their unique and sharp perspectives in different aspects around the theme with attendees at the Forum and will also enjoy considerable networking opportunities with each other.



The success of today's 15th Edition of Marintec China would not have been possible without the support of many Chinese Government ministries and departments for their continuing support, and assistance in all aspects in contributing to the most definitive maritime event in Asia.

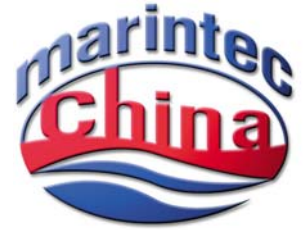
Details

Date: 1 -4 December 2009 (Tuesday – Friday)

Opening Hours: 1 December:	10:15am – 5:30pm
2 & 3 December:	9:30am – 5:30pm
4 December:	9:30am – 4:00pm

Venue: Shanghai New International Expo Centre
2345 Longyang Road, Pudong New Area, Shanghai, China

Admission: For trade visitors only. Admission is free. All visitors MUST complete a registration form for the issuance of an entry badge. Visitors under 18 will not be admitted.



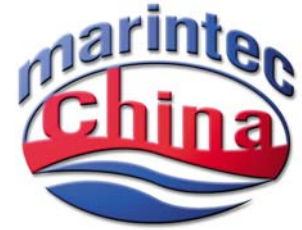
Senior Maritime Forum: 30 November – 3 December 2009

Venue: Sofitel Shanghai Jin Jiang Oriental Pudong and Shanghai New International Expo Centre

Marintec China 2011 will be held at the Shanghai New International Expo Centre on 29 November to 2 December 2011.

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