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Marintec China 2009 grows by a record 40%

Exhibition space at Asia's largest maritime event now sold out

UBM Asia (www.ubmasia.com), a subsidiary of United Business Media, and the Shanghai Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, organisers of Marintec China (www.marintecchina.com), today announce that the biennial Marintec China exhibition taking place from 1 – 4 December, 2009 at the Shanghai New International Expo Centre in P. R. China is now sold out, despite the addition of two further exhibition halls at the venue.

The floor space at this year's exhibition has grown to 50,000 square metres, a remarkable 40% increase on 2007's event, making this year's show the largest in Marintec China's 30 year history and the show remains Asia's largest maritime event. Over 1,200 exhibiting companies and 36,000 professional visitors will take part in this year's fair. There are 18 national and group pavilions this year, including Austria, China, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, the Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States. For the first time, there will also be an official Taiwan pavilion at the fair. Also for the first time, individual companies from Turkey will be exhibiting at the show. Other exhibiting companies are from Belgium, Canada, Greece, India, Italy, Portugal and Russia.

Not only is Marintec China vital to the global maritime industry, the concurrent Senior Maritime Forum is also one of the most important and authoritative maritime conferences in the world. The theme of this year's Forum is: "Crisis, Challenges and Opportunities". The conference boasts an unprecedented line-up of speakers, including high-ranking government officials and industry leaders:

- Ms Yan Junqui, Deputy Chairman, The National People's Congress, P. R. China
- Mr Zhang Guobao, Vice Chairman, The National Development and Reform Commission, P. R. China
- Ms Rikke Lind, State Secretary, Norwegian Ministry of Trade and Industry



- Mr Spyros Polemis, Chairman, International Chamber of Shipping
- Dr Hermann J Klein, Chairman, International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) & Chairman, Germanischer Lloyd
- Dr Wei Jiafu, Chairman, China Shipowners Association, and President, China Ocean Shipping (Group) Company (COSCO)
- Mr Lin Jianqing, Vice President, China Shipping (Group) Company
- Dr Martin Stopford, Managing Director, Clarkson PLC

“Marintec China and the Senior Maritime Forum clearly have the unswerving support of the worldwide maritime industry. The Fair’s continued growth is testament to the fair’s success in serving the needs of the worldwide maritime industry and we look forward to the excitement and dynamism of the business meetings and networking at the fair when it opens in December,” said Jimé Essink, President and Chief Executive Officer of UBM Asia.

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Downloadable format of the press release is available at UBM Asia's website at: <http://www.ubmasia.com>

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