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THE GLOBAL MTCC NETWORK (GMN) PROJECT

Maritime Decarbonization – R&D
Africa and Global Perspectives

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Executive Summary
The IMO CARES Foundation Project in collaboration with MTCC Africa co-organized a virtual workshop on the IMO CARES Project on 20th July 2022. The virtual forum brought various participants together in a workshop format to learn about the IMO CARES programme and to share knowledge on best practices and green technologies for maritime decarbonization.

The IMO CARES Project Coordination Unit (PCU) worked with the MTCC Africa Secretariat led by the MTCC Africa head to co-organize the virtual workshop under the overall guidance of the IMO CARES Project Manager.

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1. Introduction

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the European Commission (EC) signed a delegation agreement in December 2015 to establish and seed-fund a global network of five Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres (MTCCs) in developing countries in the framework of the Global MTCCs Network Project formally titled “Capacity Building for Climate Mitigation in the Maritime Shipping Industry”. The overall objective of the GMN Project is to support developing countries in limiting and reducing GHG emissions from their shipping sector through technical assistance/capacity-building to promote shipping low carbon and energy-efficient technologies and operations. The selected Centre Host Institutions (HIs) have established the MTCCs. MTCC Africa, under this Global MTCCs Network was officially opened on 13th December 2017 in order to promote technologies and operations to improve energy efficiency in the African maritime sector and help navigate shipping into a low-carbon future.

The IMO CARES (Coordinated Actions to Reduce Emissions from Shipping) is expected to be a long-term programme with the objective to accelerate demonstration of green technologies and their deployment globally in a manner that facilitates blue economic growth in developing regions. The programme aims to coordinate and link together the various global initiatives such as Research and Development Centres (R&D Centres), Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres (MTCCs), pilot technology demonstration projects as well as green financing initiatives which will accelerate the decarbonization process of the maritime sector in developing countries, especially in Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs).

The 9-month preparatory phase of the IMO CARES project (IMO CARES Foundation Project) will undertake all the preparatory activities to develop and design this long-term global programme (IMO CARES), including securing funding, central coordination and a knowledge partnership mechanism to support the programme. The Foundation Project aims to identify various key stakeholders such as donors to the CARES full-size programme, regional Maritime Technology Cooperation Centres (MTCCs), decarbonization R&D Centres, Global Industry Alliances, financial institutions, etc. who could be part of a future long-term IMO CARES programme. The foundation project will further aim to identify innovation needs and new green technologies, and alternate fuels that can be demonstrated through the MTCCs and other key parts of the global partnership mechanism with the help of International Financial Institutions and the private sector.

MTCC Africa was contracted by the IMO under the IMO CARES Foundation Project to provide support to the IMO CARES project in conducting a virtual workshop. In this regard, The IMO CARES Foundation Project in collaboration with MTCC Africa co-organized a virtual IMO CARES workshop on 20th July 2022 via the Zoom Videoconferencing Platform.

This report is a culmination of collaborative efforts by MTCC Africa and the IMO CARES PCU to provide technical and organizational support to the IMO CARES Project in the successful co-organization of the Maritime Decarbonization – R&D; Africa and Global Perspectives virtual workshop.
2. Preparations for the IMO CARES Workshop by MTCC Africa

Under the contractual framework established under the IMO CARES project, MTCC Africa was tasked with providing technical and organizational support to the IMO CARES project in the co-organization of the virtual IMO CARES workshop. MTCC Africa was tasked, under the guidance of the IMO CARES Project Manager, with coordinating and executing the below-highlighted tasks;

a. Preparation of the workshop program; coordinate and collate presentation material for the workshop
b. Development of all marketing and communication and visibility material
c. Organization of logistics
d. Conducting and moderating the virtual workshop; providing technical expertise and organization of the workshop presentations and discussions, moderating the workshop and conducting the panel discussions.
e. Preparation and submission of the workshop report

2.1. Program Development

MTCC Africa was worked closely with the IMO CARES PCU to develop the program. PCU provided a draft template that MTCC Africa modified considering the duration of sessions, session type and speakers. The program was divided in to three sessions;

1. Opening session; this featured the welcome/housekeeping, the keynote addresses and the opening presentation.
2. Session 1; this session featured presentations aligned to global perspectives on the overview of R&D related to maritime decarbonization.
3. Session 2; structured to have presentations centered on regional (African) overview of decarbonization technology challenges.
4. Session 3; panel discussion exploring solutions to decarbonization technology challenges.

The workshop program has been annexed to this report.

2.1.1. Securing Speakers, Presenters and Participants

The Centre engaged in correspondence via email and official letters to organisations to secure delegates to speak and present at the sessions 2 and 3 of IMO CARES workshop program. MTCC Africa further identified and secured, Mr Fred Asiedu-Dartey, Head of Freight and Logistics, Ghana Shippers Authority to assist the MTCC Africa Head, Ms Lydia Ngugi in co-moderating the workshop. Mr Fred Dartey moderated the 2nd and 3rd sessions of the virtual program.

2.2. Development of marketing, communication and visibility material

MTCC Africa designed and distributed communication and visibility materials, mainly flyers and collated biographies of the workshop speakers. A main ‘SaveTheDate’ flyer was prepared to raise interest in the event. This flyer was posted on the MTCC Africa website and social media accounts. Additionally, the flyer was distributed to the MTCC Africa mailing list with a link to register for the event through MailChimp. MTCC Africa also designed speaker posters containing the session speaker, their position and organization with the aim to further raise interest and increase workshop registrations. MTCC Africa also set up a Facebook Ad to increase visibility of the event. The visibility materials have been annexed to this report.
2.3. Organization of Logistics

2.3.1. Securing And Set Up of The Virtual Platform and Registration Form

MTCC Africa secured the video-conferencing platform (Zoom) – meeting services for the period July 18th 2022 to August 17th 2022 for $17.39 to cater for the virtual workshop and pre-briefing meetings with speakers, presenters and moderators prior to the event.

![Figure 1: Zoom Meeting Package Invoice Details](image)

MTCC Africa setup the registration for the workshop under the Zoom platform. The registration form required participants to indicate their names, job-title, organisations, country and gender. This registration page was shared with speakers and potential audience via the website, Mailchimp, Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp and through emails.

2.3.2. Pre-workshop Planning Meetings/Speaker Invitation

MTCC Africa maintained constant communication with IMO CARES PCU during planning of the meeting. In order to formally invite speakers/presenters, MTCC Africa sent out invitation letters via email to the relevant contacts containing the necessary details of the workshop. A sample invitation letter has been annexed to this report.

2.4. ICT-Setup

MTCC Africa identified key ICT factors that would be necessary for the successful execution of the virtual workshop. These factors included;

1. Reliable internet connection (Continuous with enough speed) – The internet in-office was tested to ensure it met the requirements for videoconferencing with audio and video streaming for multiple secretariat devices in the office.
2. Reliable power supply – an uninterrupted supply of electricity would be crucial in ensuring the event ran smoothly over the four days.
3. Reputable Videoconferencing platform providing quality audio and video streaming services. The Zoom Video-conferencing platform was deemed to have met these criteria.

2.4.1. Contingency plan

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Further to the identification of the above key ICT factors, MTCC Africa put in place contingencies to ensure:

1. Internet Connection – MTCC Africa purchased portable internet bundles for its hotspot devices.
2. Power Supply – MTCC Africa made use of the Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) devices to be and ensured all devices including Personal Computers (PCs) were on full charge before the workshop.

3. Objectives of the Workshop
The main objectives of the IMO CARES workshop were:

1. Facilitate Regional Consultations; on the IMO CARES concept
2. Provide perspectives; on R&D related to maritime decarbonization from Decarbonization Centres
3. Identify challenges; related to decarbonization technology within the region
4. Identify solutions; to these challenges and discuss the way forward.
5. Promote North-South Cooperation in the energy transition
6. Identifying project & investment opportunities in developing regions for interested donors and investors and building consortiums to mobilize funding and resources for feasibility studies, pilot demonstrations and infrastructure projects, all in developing regions

4. Location, Dates and Summary of Participant Organizations
The IMO CARES workshop was hosted virtually on the Zoom Video-Conferencing Platform on Wednesday 20th July 2022 for 1430Hrs to 1730Hrs East Africa Time.

4.1. Summary of Participant Organizations
The workshop brought together different administrations and industry stakeholders to share knowledge and experiences on implementation of energy efficient measures and technologies. A total of 24 countries were represented from Cameroun, Comoros, Denmark, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Libya, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Singapore, Somalia, South Africa, Sweden, The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and The United Kingdom.

A list of all registered and attending participants to this virtual workshop has been annexed to this report.

5. Main Technical Discussions/Activities and Proceedings
The workshop program is annexed to this report with the details of the topics that were presented. The mode of delivery took the approach of a virtual forum format with informative discussions to share knowledge on R&D and technology uptake for maritime decarbonization. A question and answer session for participants to interact with the presenters was scheduled in the program after the presentation sessions.

5.1. Opening and Keynote Session of the IMO CARES Workshop
The workshop proceedings commenced with a brief welcome session from the IMO CARES Project Officer, Ms Petra Ghassemi Ahari. Ms Ahari welcomed participants and speakers and underlined the purpose of the workshop to solicit key feedback on the IMO CARES concept as well as to provide an overview of global R&D developments on shipping decarbonization and to get local level perspectives on
decarbonization challenges and R&D initiatives. Thereafter, Ms Ahari highlighted the order of the workshop program and informed participants of some basic housekeeping for the workshop and finally handed over the session to the moderator, Ms Lydia Ngugi – MTCC Africa Head.

Ms Lydia Ngugi, gave a brief forecast of what the participants were to expect in the delivery of the workshop. Ms Lydia then commenced the keynote session by welcoming Dr Jose Matheickal the Chief Department of Partnerships and Projects at the IMO to give his keynote address.

In his address, Dr Matheickal underscored the need for actions that support a just and equitable transition of the maritime sector toward a low carbon future including policies, national action plans, R&D, innovative solutions and collaborative frameworks that will bring the global north and south together to collaborate on these fronts, especially on R&D and technology demonstration.

Dr Jose Matheickal was followed by Eng. Essam Al Ammari, the Permanent Representative to the IMO for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Eng. Essam noted that further advancements in maritime technical cooperation depend on the continued and close collaboration of member states, the IMO, maritime organisations and financial institutions.

To conclude the keynote session, the Principal Secretary – State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Republic of Kenya, Mrs. Nancy W. Karigithu, CBS, gave a keynote address where she encouraged the private sector to partner with African public sector institutions to explore maritime shipping solutions in line with the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7: Affordable and Clean Energy, SDG 9: Industry Innovation and Infrastructure, SDG13: Climate Action 14 and SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals.

5.2. Technical Proceedings
The Technical proceedings were divided into four sessions;

1. IMO CARES Introduction
2. Overview of R&D related to maritime decarbonization - Global Perspectives
3. Overview of decarbonization technology challenges from the African region
4. Panel Discussions | Exploring solutions

Each session following the ‘IMO CARES introduction’ incorporated a Question and Answer period at the end of the session.

Presentations

5.2.1. IMO CARES Introduction
First Presentation

The first presentation was given by Mr. Anton Rhodes, Project Manager - IMO CARES, IMO. In his presentation Mr. Rhodes gave a high-level overview of the IMO CARES project, its objectives, key-milestones and how the African region can benefit from the project.

5.2.2. Overview of R&D related to maritime decarbonization - Global Perspectives
This session was moderated by Ms Lydia Ngugi

Second Presentation
Ms. Minerva Lim, Assistant Director, Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) of Singapore gave a presentation on the ‘NextGENConnect Challenge 2022’ highlighting the IMO-MPA collaboration to build an inclusive ecosystem for maritime decarbonisation.

Third Presentation
Titled Maritime Decarbonization: Global Opportunities, the third presentation was delivered by Mr Connor Bingham, Project Manager, Getting to Zero Coalition, Global Maritime Forum. This presentation highlighted the potential opportunities connected to maritime decarbonization for developing countries.

Fourth Presentation
Mr. Hans-Christian Wintervoll, Green Shipping Programme gave a presentation on The Green Shipping Programme (GSP), a public-private partnership that aims to develop and strengthen Norway's goal to establish the world's most efficient and environmentally-friendly shipping. The presentation illuminated the programs activities and achievements while highlighting some systemic best practice solutions that the region can consider.

Fifth Presentation
To conclude this session presentations, Ms. Madadh MacLaine, Secretary General, Zero Emissions Ship Technology Association (ZESTAs), presented on how the Association promotes rapid and large-scale uptake of Zero Emissions Ship Technology and the technologies that can be employed to achieve the same.

5.2.3. Overview of decarbonization technology challenges from the African region
This session was moderated by Mr Fred Asiedu-Dartey - Head of Freight and Logistics, Ghana Shippers Authority.

Sixth Presentation
Senior Analyst - Green Mare Services, Mr Eduardo João dos Santos Ramos, gave a presentation on the Green Mare Services data-driven services for the maritime industry.

Seventh Presentation
Mr Michael Mbaru, Marine Officer, Kenya Maritime Authority gave a presentation on the National Needs and Technical Barriers Assessment done by MTCC Africa for the African Region. The presentation highlighted the various challenges faced by African countries decarbonization activities.

Eighth Presentation
Mr Silvester M. Kututa, Founder & Chairman, Express Shipping & Logistics (East Africa) and Chairman, Kenya Ships Agents Association (KSAA) gave a presentation on the private sector perspectives focusing on lessons learnt from Express Shipping & Logistics and the KSAA.

Ninth Presentation
Titled ‘Regional Reflections: Challenges and Opportunities for Innovation and Deploying New Solutions. Driver of the Blue Economy Perspectives in Kenya’, this presentation was delivered by Ms Lydia Ngugi. This presentation highlighted;

1. Challenges faced by MTCC Africa in promoting decarbonization
2. Needs as Derived from the MTCC Africa National Needs and Technical Barriers Assessment Study
3. MTCC Africa capacity building successes and best practices

5.2.4. Panel Discussion
The panel session was titled *Exploring solutions* and was moderated by Mr Fred Asiedu-Dartey, Ghana Shippers Authority. Panelist for this session included:

1. Ms. Madadh MacLaine, Secretary General, Zero Emissions Ship Technology Association, ZESTAs
2. Mr Tebogo Mojafi, Senior Manager Marine Research, South African Maritime Safety Authority (SAMSA)
3. Ms Lydia Ngugi, Head, Maritime Technology Cooperation Centre for Africa (MTCC Africa)
4. Mr Anton Rhodes, Project Manager, IMO CARES

The culmination of discussions under the panel session is highlighted under the outcomes/takeaways section of this report.

6. Closing
Mr Anton Rhodes - Project Manager, IMO CARES gave the closing remarks for the IMO CARES workshop after which the workshop was then formally closed.

7. Outcomes/Takeaways
1) There is a need to support the Reduction of operational costs and GHG emissions from participating countries through the consideration of additional human resource capacity built among participating countries supporting the progression of the implementation of the Initial IMO GHG Strategy
2) Developing countries ought to have support to develop bankable proposals for investment in ports and on-board vessels, and help connect with international finance institutions, donors and regional banks
3) Technology is meant to propel Pilot Project Progress implementation with a focus on port development for Long term benefits to integrate with the private shipping industry
4) Policies/Regulations are also aimed to support and encourage the Implementation of the IMO GHG Strategy, Domestication of Marpol Annex VI
5) MTCC Africa will encourage Public Policy in the region to leverage IFI policies to be demand-driven not supply driven with a positive return on investment promoting Zero-low emissions i.e. bunker fuel, port infrastructure and Sustainability models
6) The forum also highlighted that the big driver is the need to close the technology and investment gap that exists between the global and global south by connecting the various decarbonization efforts to accelerate the demonstration of green technologies, globally.
7) There is meant to be the progressive Identification of projects & investment opportunities in developing regions for interested donors and investors through the building of consortia to mobilize funding and resources for feasibility studies, pilot demonstrations and infrastructure projects, all in developing regions

8. Conclusion and Recommendations
The forum highlighted the need for further research and capacity building in the region to promote more development of energy-efficient solutions specifically by regional stakeholders for the African maritime
shipping sector. This platform also underlined the necessity for public-private partnerships as a means to provide financial/funding incentives for the development of energy-efficient technologies for improving ship-port operations and subsequent decarbonization of the maritime shipping sector.

MTCC Africa was able to provide a platform for industry stakeholders to identify opportunities for solutions to decarbonizing the maritime sector in the African region through, sharing of best practices for the uptake of energy-efficient solutions for effective technology transfer and adoption.

In this regard, MTCC Africa considers the intended outcomes of the workshop of providing a platform for industry stakeholders to share knowledge on energy-efficient best practices and technologies was met.
Annex I: Program

Maritime Decarbonization – R&D
Africa and Global Perspectives
20 July 2022
14:30 p.m. – 17:30 p.m. (East Africa Time)
13:30 – 16:30 (CET – Europe)

2:30 – 2:45
Keynote Addresses
Dr Jose Mathewkutty, Chief, Department of Partnerships and Projects, IMO – 3 min
Eng Essam Al Ammari, Permanent Representative to the IMO for Saudi Arabia – 3 min
Amb Nancy Karigithu, Principal Secretary, State Department for Shipping and Maritime and Special Envoy for Maritime and Blue Economy, Kenya – 3 min

2:45 – 2:55
IMO CARES - Introduction
Mr Anton Rhodes, Project Manager, IMO CARES, IMO – 10 mins

2:55 – 3:20
Session 1
Overview of R&D related to maritime decarbonization - Global Perspectives
Ms. Minerva Lim, Assistant Director, Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) of Singapore – 5 min
Ms. Madadh MacLaine, Secretary General, Zero Emissions Ship Technology Association, ZESTAS – 5 min
Mr. Connor Bingham, Project Manager, Getting to Zero Coalition, Global Maritime Forum – 5 min
Mr. Hans-Christian Wintervoll, Green Shipping Programme – 5 min
Moderator – Ms Lydia Ngugi, Head, MTCC Africa – 5 min

3:20 – 3:30
Session 1
Q&A

3:30 – 3:55
Session 2
Overview of decarbonization technology challenges from the region
Mr Eduardo João dos Santos Ramos, Senior Analyst, Green Mare Services – 5 min
Mr Michael Mbaru, Marine Officer, Kenya Maritime Authority – 5 min
Mr Silvester M. Kututa, Founder & Chairman, Express Shipping & Logistics (East Africa) and Chairman, Kenya Ships Agents Association (KSAA) – 5 min
Ms Lydia Ngugi, Head, Maritime Technology Cooperation Centre for Africa (MTCC Africa) – 5 min
Moderator – Mr Fred Asiedu-Dartey, Head of Freight and Logistics, Ghana Shippers Authority – 5 min
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Figure 2: Welcome session from the IMO CARES Project Officer, Ms Petra Ghassemi Ahari. Ms Ahari

Figure 3: Keynote Address by Dr Jose Matheickal the Chief Department of Partnerships and Projects at the IMO

Figure 4: Keynote speech by Eng. Essam Al Ammari, the Permanent Representative to the IMO for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

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Figure 5: Keynote address by Principal Secretary – State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Republic of Kenya, Nancy W. Karigithu

Figure 6: Presentation by Mr. Anton Rhodes, Project Manager - IMO CARES, IMO

Figure 7: Session One Speakers

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Figure 8: Panel Discussion

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Figure 9: Presentation by Anton Rhodes

Figure 10: Presentation by Minerva Lim, Assistant Director, Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) of Singapore

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Figure 11: Madadh MacLaine, Secretary General, ZESTAs

Figure 12: Presentation by Connor Bingham, Project Manager, Getting to Zero Coalition, Global Maritime Forum

Figure 13: Presentation by Hans-Christian Wintervoll of Green Shipping Programme

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Annex IV: Regional Workshop Visibility Items

A. Posters

E-flyers/posters were designed by MTCC Africa and posted on the website and shared on MTCC Africa’s Facebook and Twitter pages. The posters were also shared to the mailing list through a newsletter and email invitations.

Figure 17: Save the date/Invite Poster

Figure 18: Various promotional e-flyers
B. Mailchimp Newsletter

Figure 19: Screenshot of Sample MailChimp Newsletters

C. Social & Digital Media Visibility

Figure 20: Twitter Posts
Annex V: Attachments

Please find the following Annexed as attachment to this report:

1. Workshop recording
2. Registration & participant list (Excel)
3. Presentations