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IBIA partners with INTERCARGO to strengthen collaboration on decarbonisation, safety, and marine fuels

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IBIA – The International Bunker Industry Association and the International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO) have entered into a reciprocal membership agreement to reinforce collaboration between the dry bulk shipping and marine fuels communities.

This new partnership formalises the close working relationship between the two associations and reflects their shared commitment to advancing safe, efficient, and sustainable maritime operations, particularly in the areas of fuel quality, safety, and decarbonisation.

Through reciprocal membership, IBIA and INTERCARGO will gain greater access to each other's expertise, activities, and working groups. The agreement will encourage the exchange of knowledge and best practices, strengthen coordination in international forums such as the International Maritime Organization (IMO), and enhance engagement on issues of mutual interest.

The collaboration will support dialogue between shipowners and the fuel supply chain, promote the development of safe and reliable bunkering practices, and contribute to the industry's transition towards low and zero-carbon fuels.

Alexander Prokopakis, Executive Director of IBIA said: *"We are delighted to welcome INTERCARGO as an IBIA member. Collaboration is vital as the industry moves towards new fuels and technologies, and this collaboration ensures our associations work hand in hand to promote safe, sustainable, and practical solutions for the future."*

Dimitris Monioudis, Chairman of INTERCARGO's Technical Committee added: *"INTERCARGO strives to engage and collaborate with all industry stakeholders for the sake of a genuinely sustainable dry bulk sector. IBIA's joining the INTERCARGO wider membership will provide us with expert knowledge and experience in relation to fuels available both today as well as in the future, always focusing on safe and pragmatic roadmaps available to our members."*

Both organisations reaffirm their commitment to continuous dialogue and cooperation in support of the wider maritime community.

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About IBIA
IBIA – The International Bunker Industry Association is the voice of the global marine energy supply chain, representing a diverse membership of shipowners, fuel suppliers, traders, brokers, surveyors, port authorities, and maritime professionals across more than 70 countries. Established in 1993, IBIA promotes transparency, quality, and high standards in marine fuel operations and supports the industry's transition to low and zero-carbon fuels. Through advocacy at the International Maritime Organization (IMO), and its global network of training, events, and working groups, IBIA connects the industry to drive safe, sustainable, and practical solutions for the future of marine energy.

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About INTERCARGO

The International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO) unites and promotes quality dry bulk shipping, bringing together more than 350 forward thinking companies from 37 countries. The dry bulk sector is the largest shipping sector in terms of number of ships and deadweight. Dry bulk carriers account for 43% of the world fleet (in tonnage) and carry an estimated 55% of the global transport work. INTERCARGO convened for the first time in 1980 in London and has been participating with consultative status at the International Maritime Organization (IMO) since 1993. INTERCARGO provides the forum where dry bulk shipowners, managers and operators are informed about, discuss, and share concerns on key topics and regulatory challenges, especially in relation to safety, security, the environment, and operational excellence. The Association promotes its members' positions at the IMO, EU as well as other shipping and international industry fora, always maintaining free and fair competition as a focal principle.

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