

IBIA Board Election 2026 Candidates

Dr. Bader Bhaishan AlBusaiyes



Career Details

Dr. Bader is an experienced Lawyer and Arbitrator specializing in various industries, prominently including Maritime and Shipping. With over 20 years of expertise, he excels in negotiation and dispute resolution, efficiently handling conflicts within these sectors.

As the Managing Partner at Fahad AlSuwaiket & Bader AlBusaiyes Lawyers Co., he oversees complex legal matters such as litigation, contracts, and commercial arbitration, providing expert counsel to major organizations, including those in the shipping industry.

His strong commitment to the maritime field is further demonstrated by his active membership in key professional associations focused on the sector. These include the IBIA - The International Bunker Industry Association, IUMI - International Union of Marine Insurance, the European Maritime Law Organization, and the London Maritime Arbitration Association (LMAA). His involvement in these organizations underscores his deep knowledge and commitment to the global maritime legal community.

Electoral Statement

With over 10 years of expertise in maritime and shipping sector, I offer deep industry expertise to the IBIA. I am committed to driving transparency, supporting, and ensuring robust governance to navigate the sector's complex transition. My focus is on supporting and preparing IBIA for a sustainable future.

Eugenia Benavides



Career Details

Born in Barranquilla, Colombia. She attended Marymount College of Virginia (USA) and Universidad del Norte (Colombia), where she earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She also holds postgraduate qualifications in International Business Management, Maritime Transportation and Port Legislation Maritime and Port Affairs, and Administrative Skills.

From 1984 to 2024, Eugenia worked at major oil company Terpel, holding various positions. Her final role was Director of Marine Fuels, from which she retired after more than four decades of service.

Eugenia has actively participated in numerous professional and community organizations, including IBIA. Currently serves on the boards of Actuar Famiempresas and WISTA Colombia, as Chairman of the board.

She has been a speaker and panelist at the Bunker News Conference, Maritime Week Americas (globally), Asoportuaria, and has led Basic Bunkering Courses in both English and Spanish.

Today, Eugenia works as a consultant, specializing in maritime port affairs and marine fuels.

Electoral Statement

I am confident that my qualifications, enthusiasm and experience, makes me an ideal candidate to the board. I am eager to actively participate in the decision-making process relevant to the global bunker community. I have the drive, energy, professional relationships, commitment and years of experience that will help promote IBIA worldwide.

Claudia Beumer



Career Details

After being active in different roles in the bunkering industry for 15 years, I have a wide understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the industry. From the start of my career in Emerson, shortly after the introduction of the Certified Bunker Measurement Solution, via Wärtsilä Gas Solutions on LNG Cargo Handling Systems/ bioLNG solutions and a commercial role within the VT Group, my journey has now reached the exciting destination of running my own company, C4 fuel B.V.

Within C4 fuel, I assist maritime stakeholders on adapting to the changing world of bunkering, focusing on training and advise on MFM, future fuels and digitalisation aspects.

Electoral Statement

During my current term, I have been actively engaged in different working groups within IBIA, but my job is not done yet. With the present dynamics in our market, I will be able to support IBIA and its members on understanding these dynamics and future proofing our industry.

Gianmichele Campanella



Career Details

I am an experienced and resilient professional with over 20 years in the maritime and bunker industry. I began my career as a Junior Bunker Trader at Chemoil Monde-Export Sam, where I refined my expertise for nearly a decade.

For the last 10 years, I have been part of the Fratelli Cosulich Group, progressing from Senior Bunker Trader to Bunker Sales & Trading Manager, and ultimately to General Manager. Since June 2022, I have been leading the Group's Montecarlo headquarters, overseeing strategic development, commercial performance, and operational excellence.

Electoral Statement

I am running for the IBIA Board to contribute my experience, integrity, and long-term industry perspective. After more than twenty years in the maritime and bunker sector, I want to help the association promote transparency, collaboration, and higher standards, strengthening its role in a sustainable and responsible global market.

Mr Calvin Chung



Career Details

Calvin has devoted his career to CPN (Chimbusco Pan Nation), driving its transformation from a physical supplier into a trusted global bunkering partner. Over two decades of leadership, he has built one of Asia's most resilient marine fuel supply chains, delivering strategic growth, innovation, and operational excellence across Hong Kong, China, and Singapore.

As Director, Calvin leads eight international offices alongside the headquarters in Hong Kong and champions initiatives that raise industry standards for efficiency, sustainability, and reliability. His deep expertise in conventional and alternative fuels positions him to guide the sector through critical transitions and accelerate progress toward decarbonization.

Electoral Statement

Decades in bunkering, deep Asia expertise, and strong knowledge of alternative fuels give me practical insights and a global perspective. If elected to the IBIA Board, I will

help the industry navigate transitions, foster partnerships, and bridge IBIA with Asia and global markets, driving progress in decarbonization.

Nigel Draffin



Career Details

Nigel Draffin has been in shipping for over 50 years. He joined Shell Tankers as a marine engineer in 1966 serving on all classes of vessels including VLCCs and LNG tankers before joining the newbuilding department of Shell in 1979, working in newbuilding and research. He was the Shell fleet bunker purchaser for 10 years.

In 1996 he joined a bunker brokers dealing with suppliers, sellers and buyers worldwide, retiring in 2015 to concentrate on consulting and training especially with bunkering issues.

A founder member of IBIA, serving on its board and on its working groups. He is course director for Petrosport courses, a member of the IMarEST, Past IBIA chairman and Past Master of the Worshipful Company of Fuellers.

He is a Supporting Member of the LMAA and lectures frequently on Bunkering and Shipping issues for IBIA and other training providers. Nigel has written thirteen books on bunkering and one on shipping.

Electoral Statement

I have been involved with the association since its inception, serving on the council, the board and in working groups. I can offer knowledge, experience and a deep understanding of most sectors of our industry. I continue to wish to assist in the training and education.

Samir Fernandez



Career Details

Samir is a Master Mariner with 30 years' experience at sea and ashore.

He has a proven track record of leading global teams specializing in the management of cargo operations, blending, marine fuels sales, procurement, efficiency, and sustainability for commercial shipping.

He develops bespoke software solutions to improve commercial and operational efficiency, and more recently, he's been involved in the development of the logistics for green fuels to decarbonize shipping.

He contributes to the industry by actively engaging in shipping committees: acting as the vice-chairman of the Singapore Shipping Association's Marine Fuel Committee, chairman of the Mass Flowmeter sub-committee, and a working group member to the Singapore Standards Committee, or the initiative to digitalize bunkering in Singapore.

Samir is a strong and thoughtful leader and mentor to his collaborators, a proud father of two, husband, and, in his free time, a passionate and (his own words) struggling golfer.

Electoral Statement

Shipping's future depends on innovation and sustainability. I've led teams to turn these ideas into results—digital solutions and green fuels making operations smarter and cleaner. On the board, I'll work with members to champion initiatives that deliver measurable progress and set a strong course for a responsible, forward-thinking industry.

George Masvoulas

Career Details



Active in the Oil business since 1998. Started my sailing career as a deck officer in oil tankers. Continuing as a tanker operator, I jumped into the cargo/bunker surveying sector in 2009. Having been an active surveyor for more than 15 years, as well as a manager of a global marine surveying company, I have hands-on knowledge of the needs and challenges of the bunker supply, as well as the practical documentation and difficulties encountered in the field.

Having performed more than 1300 physical bunker surveys on various ships and countries, including Greece, ARA, Malta, Singapore and Gibraltar, I can offer practical insight on the everyday reality of bunkering and its challenges, as well as expertise in relevant standards and application of same, the use of practical guides as well as the challenges in supply by both river and ocean-going type barges in various countries and under various regimes.

Electoral Statement

My contribution to IBIA and its members would be to offer a detailed insight on the physical part of the bunker delivery, which is the area where most issues actually occur, and it is out of the direct control of both the seller and the buyer.

Julie Nielsen



Career Details

With two decades of maritime experience, Julie has excelled as a tanker operator, bunker buyer, oil refinery trader, and is now Global Head of Bunker Sales and Chair of the Board of Denmark at StormGeo.

In her previous roles, Julie learned the critical importance of digitalizing bunker management. Overcoming numerous internal and external challenges, she demonstrated how digitalization breaks down silos and optimizes the largest OPEX cost.

While digital transparency in the bunker industry remains a challenge, Julie understands the hurdles commercial operators face. She assists them in making strategic changes to optimize their bunker planning and procurement via StormGeo Bunker Management, as well as speaking in general at different events in the market.

Emphasizing the growing complexity of the bunker industry due to evolving regulations, Julie counsels the importance of collaboration and transparency in the industry and across functions. Her expertise ensures that clients stay ahead in this dynamic and fast-changing sector.

Electoral Statement

I am committed to driving transparency, collaboration, and sustainability in the bunkering industry. As an IBIA board member, I will advocate fair practices, foster stronger stakeholder partnerships, and champion unified strategies to accelerate the green transition while supporting all stakeholders, big and small. Together, we can shape a more equitable and sustainable future for our industry.

Carlos Torres



Career Details

Based in Houston, after spending three years in Denmark, Carlos Torres is the Global Head of Methanol and Strategy Relationships within the Bunker Holding Group. In his role as the Global Head of Physical Operations, Carlos played a key role in developing and implementing the IMO 2020 Strategy for Bunker Holding and is now a member of the Group's

Green Center of Excellence, looking at the future fuels that will be required in support of the IMO emission reduction targets for 2030 and 2050.

Carlos joined Bunker Holding in March 2018 after spending close to 20 years working at BP. While working at BP, Carlos had a very diverse portfolio of roles, with his last role

being based in Singapore, where he was the Global Head of BP Marine Fuels, responsible for the entire marine fuels business, including the global marine team covering multiple geographies.

Electoral Statement

I believe my contributions to IBIA as a board member will be very valuable. I have been fortunate to cover the biggest bunkering ports as a supplier/trader with both BP and BH. My expertise and passion for helping decarbonize shipping will be a valuable asset to the IBIA board.

Susu Zhang



Career Details

With over 20 years of experience in the energy and maritime sector, I have successfully managed large-scale, high-value projects from inception to completion. Recognised within the shipping industry for my dynamic leadership and in-depth expertise, I excel at guiding cross-functional teams and negotiating complex contracts to optimize commercial outcomes. As Head of Projects and Partnership at bp Shipping, I oversee a team of seasoned maritime professionals responsible for managing both internal and external projects and partnerships within the bp Group and the wider maritime industry. My career is defined by a consistent track record of delivering results through a strategic approach, operational excellence, effective risk management, and robust stakeholder engagement. My background in shipbuilding, sales and purchases, project structuring, and ship financing has enabled me to contribute significant value while establishing strong relationships with key stakeholders across these sectors.

Electoral Statement

I am seeking election to the IBIA Board, bringing industry experience, commitment to high standards, and a focus on sustainability. I aim to support IBIA's growth, member engagement, and adapt to regulatory changes, contributing positively to the Association's future. Thank you for considering my candidacy.