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## ICNAME Founding Members News

### **HEU Party Secretary Calls for High-Level Scientific Self-Reliance to Support China's Maritime Power Strategy**

*Science and Technology Daily* published an article by Song Yingdong, Party Secretary of Harbin Engineering University, titled “Driving the Construction of a Maritime Power through High-Level Scientific and Technological Self-Reliance.” The article emphasizes that the ocean is a strategic field for high-quality development and that building a maritime power requires breakthroughs in original innovation, key marine technologies, intelligent ships, high-end offshore equipment, green ships, low-carbon propulsion, underwater information systems and unmanned systems. It also highlights HEU's long-term mission in serving national maritime, naval equipment, ocean development and nuclear-energy-related fields.

Source: Harbin Engineering University News / Science and Technology Daily

Link: <https://news.hrbeu.edu.cn/info/1141/88956.htm>

### **World's Largest 271,000-cbm QC-Max LNG Carrier Begins Construction at Hudong-Zhonghua**

The first batch of the world's largest 271,000-cbm QC-Max ultra-large LNG carriers officially started construction at Hudong-Zhonghua Shipbuilding, a subsidiary of China State Shipbuilding Corporation. The vessel has an overall length of 344 meters and is equipped with an upgraded NO96 Super+ membrane containment system. Compared with mainstream 174,000-cbm LNG carriers, the new ship type offers significantly higher cargo capacity, improved energy efficiency and lower carbon emissions.

Source: China State Shipbuilding Corporation / Hudong-Zhonghua Shipbuilding

Link: <https://www.cssc.net.cn/n5/n19/c33799/content.html>

### **CSSC General Manager Wang Guoqiang Meets Agricultural Bank of China President Wang Zhiheng**

Wang Guoqiang, Deputy Party Secretary, Director and General Manager of China State Shipbuilding Corporation, met with Wang Zhiheng, Deputy Party Secretary and President of Agricultural Bank of China, on June 10. The two sides discussed national strategic needs, financial support for the real economy, stronger bank–enterprise cooperation and deeper resource coordination.

Source: China State Shipbuilding Corporation / Securities Times

Link: <https://www.stcn.com/article/detail/3954709.html>

### **Zhenjiang Delegation Visits HEU to Deepen Cooperation in Shipbuilding and Offshore Equipment**

Wu Qingwen, Secretary of the CPC Zhenjiang Municipal Committee and an alumnus of Harbin Engineering University, led a delegation to HEU on June 10. The two sides discussed university-local cooperation, industry-education integration, joint research, talent cultivation and technology transfer. HEU emphasized its focus on the “three seas and one nuclear” fields and expressed willingness to deepen cooperation with Zhenjiang in shipbuilding and offshore equipment, aerospace, new materials and the low-altitude economy.

Source: Harbin Engineering University News

Link: <https://news.hrbeu.edu.cn/info/1141/88958.htm>

### **Guangdong Science and Technology Department Visits HEU, Highlighting Ship, Ocean and Nuclear Research Strengths**

Wang Yueqin, Director-General of the Department of Science and Technology of Guangdong Province, visited Harbin Engineering University for research exchanges. The delegation discussed high-level science and technology innovation platforms, industry-university-research integration, technology transfer and cross-regional innovation cooperation. During the visit, the delegation toured the National Key Laboratory of Underwater Acoustic Technology, HEU’s science and technology achievement exhibition and the Harbin Military Engineering Institute Memorial Hall, gaining insights into HEU’s contributions to key technologies and maritime-power development.

Source: Harbin Engineering University News

Link: <https://news.hrbeu.edu.cn/info/1141/88948.htm>

## Other Maritime and Ocean Engineering News

### First Ammonia Dual-Fuel Vessel Delivered to Exmar

The newly built medium gas carrier *Antwerpen* was delivered to Exmar and entered service on June 10, 2026, marking a major step for ammonia as a marine fuel. The vessel is described as the first newbuild dual-fuel ammonia-powered ocean-going vessel and is the first of four ships in the series. Built through collaboration involving Exmar, Hyundai Mipo Dockyard, HD Hyundai, WinGD, Nord Gas and Lloyd's Register, the vessel is designed to carry ammonia and use it as fuel, supporting the shipping industry's decarbonization pathway.

Source: The Maritime Executive

Link: <https://maritime-executive.com/article/first-ammonia-dual-fuel-vessel-delivered-to-exmar>

### COSCO Installs 2 GW Converter Platform for China's Offshore Wind Farm

COSCO Shipping completed the transport and float-over installation of a 2 GW offshore converter platform for the Qingzhou V and VII offshore wind project. The project is reported as the world's first 2 GW offshore high-voltage direct-current transmission system. The platform weighs about 25,000 tonnes and was installed using the DP2-class semi-submersible heavy-transport vessel *Xiang Tai Kou*. Once operational, the offshore wind project is expected to generate about 7.7 billion kWh of electricity annually and reduce carbon emissions by approximately 6.3 million tonnes per year.

Source: Offshore Engineer

Link: <https://www.oedigital.com/news/540139-cosco-installs-2gw-converter-platform-for-china-s-offshore-wind-farm>

### COC Expands Offshore Fleet with Newbuild AHTS Vessel *Caspian Yili*

Caspian Offshore Construction acquired a newly built SPA90-series anchor-handling tug supply vessel from Sinopacific Engineering & Contracting. Named *Caspian Yili*, the vessel is the first of its type in COC's fleet and the company's largest vessel to date. It features 90 tonnes of bollard pull, DP2 capability and diesel-electric propulsion, and is designed for towing, anchor handling, field support, subsea operations and offshore construction. Delivery and deployment are expected in the fourth quarter of 2026.

Source: Offshore Engineer

Link: <https://www.oedigital.com/news/540157-coc-boosts-offshore-capabilities-with->

### **MSC Controls More Than One-Fifth of Global Container Shipping Capacity**

MSC has expanded its lead in the global container shipping market, reaching 21.5% of global container fleet capacity, according to data cited by Seatrade Maritime News. This marks an unprecedented market share for a single container line. The report notes that MSC has widened the gap with other leading operators, including Maersk, CMA CGM, COSCO and Hapag-Lloyd, reflecting continued consolidation and fleet expansion in the container shipping sector.

Source: Seatrade Maritime News

Link: <https://www.seatrade-maritime.com/containers/msc-controls-over-one-fifth-of-the-container-shipping-market>

### **IMO Secretary-General Warns Safe Passage Through the Strait of Hormuz Cannot Be Assumed**

IMO Secretary-General Arsenio Dominguez warned that safe passage through the Strait of Hormuz cannot currently be assumed, emphasizing that seafarer safety must remain the top priority. The statement came amid heightened regional risks and reduced vessel transits. The report underlines the importance of protecting seafarers and ensuring that commercial decisions do not expose crews to unacceptable levels of risk.

Source: Seatrade Maritime News

Link: <https://www.seatrade-maritime.com/security/safe-passage-of-strait-of-hormuz-does-not-exist-imo-sec-gen>

### **India and IMO Condemn Attack on Palau-Flagged Tanker *Settebello***

India and the International Maritime Organization condemned an attack on the Palau-flagged tanker *Settebello* in the Gulf of Oman. According to the report, the vessel's engine room was struck on June 10, and three Indian seafarers were missing after 21 of the 24 crew members were rescued. The incident has renewed concern over maritime security and crew safety in high-risk waters.

Source: Seatrade Maritime News

Link: <https://www.seatrade-maritime.com/security/india-and-the-imo-condemn-attack-on-tanker-settebello>

### **Xinhua Reviews China's Maritime-Power Development Around World Ocean Day**

Xinhua published a feature on China's path toward becoming a maritime power around World Ocean Day. The article discusses the strategic importance of the ocean, China's marine economy and marine science and technology development. It also mentions the second sea trial of China's second domestically built large cruise ship, *Adora Flora City*, noting that the trial marks further progress toward batch construction in China's cruise-ship industry.

Source: Xinhua News Agency

Link:

<https://www.news.cn/politics/leaders/20260610/094307ab5ef447a091e4c869412b18b7/c.html>

### **Historic Cammell Laird Shipyard Acquired Ahead of UK Naval Renewal**

Balaena acquired the historic Cammell Laird shipyard in Birkenhead, together with related shipyard assets in Falmouth and Tyneside, in a transaction reported at about £150 million. The acquisition covers 12 dry docks and around 2,000 employees. The new owner plans to upgrade the yards for ship repair, offshore fabrication and low-emission propulsion, amid expectations of increased UK naval and maritime investment.

Source: Financial Times

Link: <https://www.ft.com/content/12ba5e8c-e180-4f13-a49c-7c50ade58cdc>