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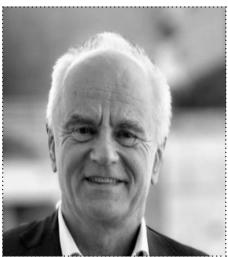
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OSM Thome

Nompetition authorities have now approved the merger of OSM Maritime Group and Thome Group. The merged company, OSM Thome, will be a powerhouse in the international management market, ship represented in 22 countries and headquartered in Arendal, Norway.

Official Company Launch globally was declared on 22nd May 2023 at 1230 hrs IST on Video message by CEO OSM Thome Mr. Finn Amund Nordbye. OSM Thome office staff led by Capt. Vipan Talwar and Capt. Arun Mehta along with seafarers & invited business associates were present at the **Conference Hall of Radisson Blu Mumbai International Airport** Hotel to applaud the launch of the merger of OSM and Thome as one "OSM Thome".



Finn Amund Nordbye, CEO OSM Thome

"22nd May 2023, a big day for OSM Thome. Our merger is now formally and finally approved. The merged company combines proud traditions with high ambitions. Our business is based on Norwegian maritime skills and with skillful employees in leading shipping locations across the world, we will strengthen our position as an innovative and world-leading supplier of ship management services. We have built a company for the future, with safe, efficient, and sustainable management of ships as our DNA. That will give added value for our customers and for our colleagues," says CEO of OSM Thome, Finn Amund Nordbye through his video message.

Several of the world's leading shipping companies are customers of OSM Thome, and the fleet includes various segments such as tank, bulk, container, car ships, and offshore vessels. The company ship management handles for nearly 450 ships and is responsible for crewing on about 550 additional ships.

"We are respectful of and appreciate the trust shown to us by our customers, which we will do our utmost to maintain through our around-the-clock operations on the seven seas. We know our customers' needs and our skilled and dedicated colleagues, both on land and at sea, are crucial for us to be able to provide the best solutions. We have the skills and the ability to continue growing. We will do so by offering competitive solutions and taking good care of our existing as well as new customers. We will remain leading within safe

and efficient management as well as within important areas such as digitalization, cyber security, and green shipping," Norbye states.

The largest ship management merger ever: Launch of OSM Thome

The integration process has been thoroughly planned and now, as the merger finally is approved, the work of joining the two organizations can begin. Through this process, the daily run of the ships and attention to our customers remain the top priority.

The new company will build on the best from OSM Maritime and from Thome continuing strong, skilled professional environments. The starting point of this merger has been unique as the two companies already had so much in common such as Norwegian ownership, business

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philosophy, values, and view of the future. The integration process will be done in a fast and proper manner and in good dialogue with employees at the various offices. "It's all about people" has been OSM's mark for many years, and remains a core credo for the merged company.

It has recently been decided who will join **CEO Finn Amund Norbve** management in the group. A team of skilled, maritime experience will contribute to developing the business in a way that serves the customers, 2,000 employees onshore, and our 29,000 seafarers.

Capt Vipan Talwar and

Capt Arun Mehta in their hearty welcomed address expressed their delight at the merger of two maritime industry pillars to create a powerhouse and to embark on its greatest voyage both being from the same culture. They focussed on

increasing the number of seafarers from India. "It's a history made today and we are part of the history, a proud moment and the India Team shall strive for lean and efficient operation" Arun mentioned. Being a global launch, offices in Chennai and Delhi were part of witnessing the launch of the merger and the joyful moments.

His Excellency Mr. Arne Jan Flolo thanked the OSM Thome team for the invitation to the historic moment. It's a very significant merger of two Norwegian big companies and congratulated the team on this big day and conveyed his very best wishes for the success in future.



OSM Thome India Team Capt Vipan Talwar & Capt Arun Mehta with Norwegian Consul General Mr Arne Jan Flolo



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