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## Maritime SheEO Conference 2023 in Mumbai



Sanjam Sahi Gupta, Founder of Maritime SheEO welcoming the August gathering

### For Innovation and Growth: Maritime SheEO Hosts its 4<sup>th</sup> annual International Conference for Maritime Diversity in Mumbai.

The Maritime SheEO Conference 2023, one of the largest international conferences for diversity and inclusion in the maritime sector, took place on November 21, 2023, at The Taj Santacruz in Mumbai and was also live-streamed globally. This conference, the brainchild of Sanjam Sahi Gupta, Founder of Maritime SheEO and Director of Sitara Shipping, drew an

astonishing 250 delegates from nearly 80 nations worldwide with a 60:40 gender ratio – where 60% of our attendees were women.

The majority of attendees were from the maritime community, including ship owners, educational institution professionals, ship managers, supply chain exporters, and liner and port personnel. In addition, there were around 1000 people who participated virtually. A great feat indeed.

Sanjam opened the conference with the traditional lighting of the Lamp. She then welcomed everyone in attendance. Professionals from

the maritime sector spoke at the conference leading talks, panel discussions, and presentations focussing on the value of diversity for growth and innovation. About 50 speakers covered a wide range of subjects which included, Sustainable Shipping Practices, The power of the media in elevating women's role models, Sustainable Shipping Practices, Bringing our diversity ambitions to life, Women in bio-fouling and marine plastic litter, Psychological Security – Transforming Workplace Culture,

Diversity and Inclusion Policies, Tackling Tomorrow's key maritime issues.

Shri Shyam Jagannathan, IAS, DG of Shipping addressed the initiatives being taken by the Directorate General of Shipping under Amrit Kaal Vision 2047, a strategic blueprint for the Indian maritime blue economy. His short presentation covered the initiatives aimed at enhancing port facilities, promoting sustainable

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Shri Shyam Jagannathan, DG Shipping, shares a keynote speech



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practices, and encouraging international collaboration in the maritime sector.

He extended his respect and felicitation to award-winner Dr. Harry Banga, Chairman & CEO of Caravel Group, and other eminent personalities of the maritime industry who have been taking great initiatives in creating a magnum platform to discuss, deliberate, and innovate for the future.



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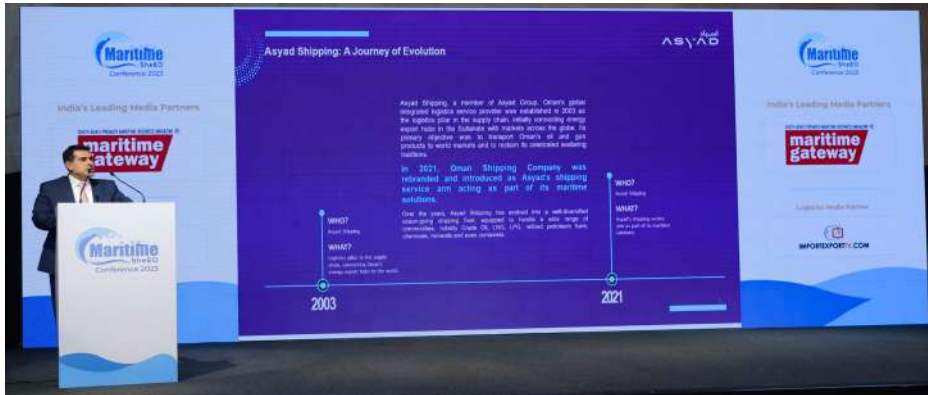
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## The impressive line of keynote speakers included

- **Mr. Arsenio Dominguez**, Secretary General Elect of the IMO
- **Capt. Dinesh Jairam**, Global Talent Acquisition Manager, Seaspan India
- **Christina Saenz de Santa Maria**, VP, Regional Manager, S E Asia Pacific & India, DNV
- **Dr. Malini Shankar IAS (Retd)**, Vice Chancellor at the Indian Maritime University
- **Consul General Arne Jan Flolo**, Royal Norwegian Consulate General, Mumbai
- **H.E. Cecilie Myrseth**, Minister of Trade and Industries, Norway
- **H.E. Folakemi Akinleye**, Ambassador of Nigeria to the Philippines and Cambodia
- **H.E. Yasiel Burillo**, Ambassador and Consul, General of Panama to India

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## Few Clips at "Maritime SheEO & Transworld Booth"



There were several empowering speeches from the designated speakers, both in person and online who provided their distinct viewpoints based on their experiences and insights, which were both inspiring and educational for the numerous companies and individuals in attendance. Many more eminent delegates

shared the dais and took part in other panel discussions and interviews that were equally captivating and enlightening.

Another highlight of the conference was the award presentation to Companies as well as individuals in various categories.

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## Galaxy Leader Owner Calls for Release of Crew after Video Surfaces

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The *Galaxy Leader*, a Bermuda-flagged car carrier chartered by Japanese shipping company NYK, was illegally boarded by armed assailants via helicopter on November 19 as it transited the Red Sea. The ship, which reportedly has ties to an Israeli businessman, has been taken to the Hodeidah port area in Yemen, where it remains at anchor.

Video released by Hamas this week allegedly

shows the Commander of Yemeni Navy speaking to crew members on the bridge of the ship.

Galaxy Maritime Ltd, the Isle of Man-based registered owner of the *Galaxy Leader*, notes that the video footage appears to show all crew members seem to be well and remain on board the vessel.

"Owners and Managers state that the welfare and immediate release of the crew comprising 17 Filipino nationals, 2 Bulgarians, 3 Ukrainians, 2 Mexicans and 1 Romanian

## MARINE NEWS



The owner of the *Galaxy Leader* car carrier that was seized by Iran-backed Houthi's in Yemen is calling from immediate release of its 25 crew members after new video the ship surfaced.

citizen, remains the priority," Galaxy Maritime said in a statement.

Additional video shows militants dancing on the deck of the ship. Another shows the ship adorned with the Palestinian and Yemeni flags.