

Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping

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Danish Shipping joins Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping as Knowledge Partner

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Today, Danish Shipping and the Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping formalized their collaboration by signing a Partnership Agreement. With the Agreement, Danish Shipping becomes an official partner to the Center, committing to a long-term strategic collaboration about the development of a solid transition strategy for the maritime industry.

The collaboration between the partners will evolve around knowledge sharing within the opportunity space of future fuels including their application across segments as well as alignment on the identification and development of regulatory levers ensuring a solid industry transition towards zero carbon shipping.

“Danish Shipping and their members are long time advocates for the development of a sustainable maritime industry. In joining the Center, they bring on-board important capabilities enabling the identification of a policy framework and industry standards which will be key in accelerating the transition towards zero carbon shipping” – says Bo Cerup-Simonsen, CEO of the Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller for Zero Carbon Shipping.

“Maersk McKinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping will be a key player in the journey towards a CO2-neutral shipping industry. We at Danish Shipping are keen on taking part in this journey, and therefore we join them as knowledge partner,” says Anne H. Steffensen, CEO of Danish Shipping.

Shipping’s road map to decarbonization

With 70.000 ships consuming m300Tons fuel p.a. global shipping accounts for around 3% of global carbon emissions, a share that is likely to increase as other industries tackle climate emissions in the coming decades.

Achieving the long-term target of decarbonization requires new fuel types and a systemic change within the industry. Shipping is a globally regulated industry, which provides an opportunity to secure broad-based industry adoption of new technology and fuels.

To accelerate the development of viable technologies a coordinated effort within applied research is needed across the entire supply chain. Industry leaders play a critical role in ensuring that laboratory research is successfully matured to scalable solutions matching the needs of industry. At the same time, new legislation will be required to enable the transition towards decarbonization.

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About Danish Shipping

Danish Shipping is a trade and employer organisation. The keywords of Danish Shipping are efficient protection of its members' interests. Danish Shipping was established in 1884. Since then, it has been working as a collective point for the Danish shipping industry, and today it plays an important and active role in relation to the authorities and decision-makers nationally and internationally. Denmark is the world's fifth largest shipping nation in terms of gross tonnage of Danish-operated ships.

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About the Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping

The Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping is a not-for-profit, independent research- and development center working across the energy- and shipping sectors with industry, academia and authorities. With Partners, the Center create overview of viable decarbonization pathways, facilitate the development and implementation of new energy technologies; build confidence in new concepts and their supply chains; and accelerate the transition by defining and maturing viable strategic pathways to the required systemic change. The Center is placed in Copenhagen but work with partners globally.

The Center was founded in 2020, made possible by a start-up donation of DKK 400m by the A.P. Møller Foundation. Strategic Partners to the Center include: Alfa Laval, American Bureau of Shipping, A.P. Møller - Maersk, Cargill, Environmental Defense Fund, Haldor Topsoe, MAN Energy Solutions, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, NORDEN, NYK Line, Seaspan Corporation, Siemens Energy and Total.

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