The shipping industry, across all sectors, is crucial for global trade and to service the diverse needs of all people around the world. Each sector of the industry continues to work hard to improve its safety and environmental performance, and this could be strengthened by working as one global team. It is with this intent that “Together in Safety” has been developed.

**Intent**

The shipping community has much in common and all can learn from each other. By working together, the vision is to achieve a zero-incident industry. Whilst each participant may set a zero accident rate for matters under their authority, we collectively set goals to lead a significant reduction in industry accidents.

**Structure**

“Together in Safety’ initiative will act as a non-regulatory industry consortium, connected with the common purpose to work together to improve the safety performance. Participants in ‘Together in Safety’ will seek the full backing and support from their associated senior leadership, and should be fully committed to participate actively in the work and engage with all relevant stakeholders.

**Guiding Principles**

“Together in Safety” will work within the following guiding principles to remain aligned and focused:

- Committed to a free exchange of safety information, without fear of commercial advantage or negative consequence.
- Learning from each other and other industries.
- Use and promote best practices.
- Adopt a common language and terminology that is clear, easy to understand and articulate.
- Seek to standardise across industry and make best use of digital technology.
- Remaining non-mandatory, non-regulatory and non-penalising.

The shipping community has much to be proud of and through this initiative together we can implement the very best initiatives and make sure our seafarers return home safe and sound, while at the same time protecting the environment and ships themselves.