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MARITIME ANTI-CORRUPTION NETWORK // JULY 2024

MACN GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH



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MACN SPRING MEETING SUMMARY

A RECORD NUMBER OF 240 PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THE MACN'S SPRING MEMBERS MEETING HELD AT MOLTKES PALÆ IN COPENHAGEN ON 24 – 25 APRIL 2024. THE MEETING COVERED A MIX OF PLENARY SESSIONS AND WORKSHOPS.

On day one members heard from anti-corruption experts Jonathan Taylor, Charles Duross, and John Smith. Jonathan Taylor discussed the importance of protecting whistle-blowers who expose corruption and misdemeanours. Morrison Foerster partners, Charles Durross and Jon Smith, covered highlights of a compliance workshop that took place in MACN's office in April. Highlights included the latest information on current anti-corruption and sanctions frameworks, emphasising key considerations for ethical business practices.

Participants then took part in breakout sessions in their country and industry segment working groups, with the day ending with an update from the MACN board. In the plenary session members heard from the IMO and MoU representatives on industry challenges and opportunities relating to Port State Control.

Day two consisted of workshops on the challenges faced by different segment working groups, as well as MACN's tools portfolio.



MARITIME ANTI-CORRUPTION NETWORK ANNUAL REPORT 2023

OVER THE PAST 24 MONTHS, MACN HAS BEEN NAVIGATING THE COMPLEX MARITIME LANDSCAPE, SEEING DIRECT CONFLICTS, DISRUPTED TRADE, NEW INTERNATIONAL POWER DYNAMICS AND REGULATORY CHANGES.

MACN's adaptive approach has supported the industry through the changes. Its engagement with regulators and governments, investment in technology and focus on training has enhanced its role in guiding MACN's members governance efforts.

MACN's annual report dives into their latest achievements, key insights and future plans as it continues its mission for a more transparent and sustainable maritime industry.

3 SEA DILIGENCE

MACN MEMBER PLATFORM UPDATE

MACN's member platform '3
Sea Diligence' was launched in
February 2023 with the aim of
providing members with access
to third-party due diligence
and Know Your Counterparty
tools, enabling companies to
implement comprehensive anticorruption and anti-financial
crime compliance programmes.
The community can then limit the
duplication of efforts and instead
collaborate around due diligence.

Since its launch, 42 MACN members have joined the platform and over 7,500 entries have been published on the system. The revenue from 3 Sea Diligence will be reinvested into MACN initiatives that provide the wider industry with training, tools and action for anti-corruption compliance.



LAUNCH OF PLATFORM

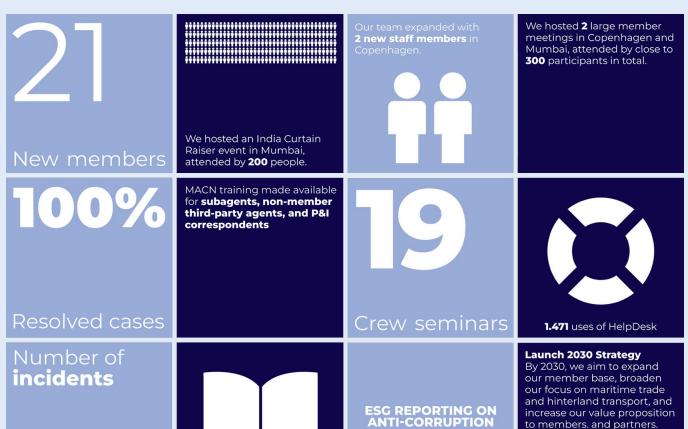


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LAUNCH OF THE NEXT GENERATION OF SEAFARERS PROJECT

Corruption within maritime education and recruitment is a significant but often overlooked issue. Research indicates its widespread presence, from bribery for cadet school admission to extortion during training and job application fraud. This not only impacts individuals directly but also jeopardises safety standards and the industry's reputation.

A survey by TURTLE, a maritime crewing start-up, and MACN revealed alarming statistics: 40% of responders reported at least one form of corruption in connection with the recruitment process. Of those, 70% of the seafarers reported corruption during the recruitment process. These findings are concerning, especially considering the vulnerability of many seafarers from regions with limited institutional support.

In response, MACN has launched the Next Generation of Seafarers project, aiming to empower cadets with awareness and tools to combat corruption through an anti-corruption e-learning course. The course raises awareness around the impact of corruption, equips cadets with the skills to resist corrupt practices by using real life scenarios and introduces anti-corruption laws. The project aims to influence a generation of maritime professionals that are resilient to corruption and help keep ethical standards across the maritime industry. The course was successfully piloted in India and MACN has plans to expand the course's reach within the South Asia region by engaging key stakeholders.

The Next Generation of Seafarers project reflects MACN's commitment to creating a corruption free maritime industry.

MACN'S GLOBAL PORT INTEGRITY PLATFORM: A TOOL FOR CATALYSING INTEGRITY

The complexity and scale of shipping processes create a high risk for corruption, making it essential to address vulnerabilities and implement measures that promote integrity in port operations. In 2022, the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) approved the 'Guidance to Implement and Adopt Procedures Against Maritime Corruption,' urging member states and stakeholders to strengthen systems for transparency and anticorruption measures.

The guidance outlines best practices for regulatory frameworks, including legislation aligned with the United Nations Convention Against Corruption, reporting channels, and electronic systems. It emphasises the prevention of corrupt demands through anti-corruption policies, standard operating procedures, and training, along with enhancing transparency and raising awareness.

Currently, there are no tools to measure integrity in ports or the implementation of the IMO Guidance. MACN's Global Port Integrity Platform (GPIP) addresses this gap. Supported by various international organisations, GPIP assesses port integrity and aims to improve performance and efficiency by leveraging multiple data sources, including nearly 60,000 industry-reported incidents since 2011.

GPIP aims to be a reference for assessing port integrity and corruption risks, promoting transparency and collective action in the maritime industry.

Interested in learning more about MACN's Global Port Integrity Platform? You can visit the webpage for more information and learn more about its development in the Whitepaper here.