

29 TO 30 APR 2025 | Port of Bilbao Spain

# 23<sup>RD</sup> Bilbao 2025 COASTLINK Conference

The short sea shipping & sustainable logistics network

Host port:

Bilbao  
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## Conference Programme

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## DAY ONE – Tuesday 29th April 2025

### THE SHORT SEA SHIPPING AND SUSTAINABLE LOGISTICS NETWORK

08:30 Coffee & Registration

09:00 Chairman's Welcome

*Nick Lambert, Co-Founder and Director, NLA International Ltd*

09:10 Port Welcome Address

*Ricardo Barkala, President, Port of Bilbao*

#### SESSION 1: THE RENAISSANCE OF SHORT SEA SHIPPING

*Supporting sector growth and the impact on ports*

09:25 **Short-sea Shipping; The Time for Action is Now**

Explores how the critical window for expanding short-sea shipping is here but why this opportunity may never happen

*Stephen Carr, Group Commercial Director, Peel Ports Group*

09:40 *Speaker to be confirmed*

09:55 **The Renaissance of Short Sea Shipping**

Geopolitical blocks are forming more clearly. Knowing your trading partner and production process becomes increasingly important also in light of the new CSRD and carbon adjustment mechanisms. A new era of tariffs seems to be approaching. All drivers impacting trade and propelling the short sea shipping sector. Strategic independence and short supply chains are traded off versus longer global supply chain with some cost savings. Where is this heading and what to look out for?

*Johan-Paul Verschuure, Director, Rebel Ports & Logistics*

10:10 *Elena Seco, President, Spanish Short Sea Promotion Center*

10:25 Q&A

10:40 Coffee & Networking

11:10 **PANEL DISCUSSION: OPS expansion - how do we increase the pace to meet demand?**

Moderator:

*Norbert Grech, Senior Manager - Ports and Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta*

Panellists include:

*Kaushik Jadhao, Marine Electrification BD Manager – EMEA, Shell*

*Kieran Morton, Business Development Manager, Port of Aberdeen*

*Tania Berry, Electrical Capability Lead, BMT*

*James Evans, Head of Operations, Portsmouth International Port*

12:20 Lunch & Networking



## SESSION 2: INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AT PORTS TO SUPPORT SHORT SEA SHIPPING

*How are ports and terminals expanding to support the energy transition?*

Infrastructure development at Ports to support Short Sea Shipping and the energy transition – how are ports and terminals adapting?

### 13:50 Short sea shipping and energy transition

The Port of Bilbao presents the infrastructure related to short sea shipping and the projects for the decarbonization of the port.

*Andima Ormaetxe Bengoa, Director of Operations, Commercial and Logistics, Bilbao Port*

### 14:05 Ports Driving the Energy Transition: Enabling Short Sea Shipping and Clean Energy Infrastructure

By focusing on the dual themes of short sea shipping and the energy transition, this presentation will underscore the critical role ports play in shaping a more sustainable future for global trade and energy systems.

*Derek McGlashan, VP Energy, Maritime and Sustainability, ELIRE*

### 14:20 Port of Moerdijk: multimodal hub for Europe

Port of Moerdijk is the most inland seaport in the Netherlands, strategically located between ports of Rotterdam and Antwerp. A relatively young seaport, grown into a multimodal hub and circular industrial hotspot for Europe.

*Kyra Lemmens, Commercial Manager – Logistics, Port of Moerdijk*

### 14:35 Adapting Terminalling business to energy transition

Understanding future trends and how existing infrastructures should be adapted to support the energy transition.

*Igor Salguero, Bilbao Terminal Manager – H2 Expert, Tepsa*

### 14:50 Q&A

### 15:15 Day 1 wrap-up by Chairman (Pre-Port Tour)

### 15:30 Port Tour

**-18:00** Courtesy of host sponsor Bilbao Port, delegates attending Coastlink will experience a tour of Port Santurzi providing a unique insight into the day to day activities.

Historically, the port facilities were based right in the centre of Bilbao. Nowadays the port facilities are some 15 km from Bilbao city centre and extend across 400 hectares of land.

Since the commencement of extension works in 1992, the Port Authority of Bilbao has invested over €500m euros to provide the port with new land and new berths.

Bilbao is a multipurpose port, and delegates will be able to see break bulk terminals, ro-ro and ferry terminals, solid bulk terminals, liquid bulk terminals and the industrial area whilst on the technical visit.



### 19:00 Evening Drinks Reception & Conference Dinner

**San Mames 'Cathedral of Football' stadium to host Coastlink conference dinner for 2025.**

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## DAY TWO – Wednesday 30th April 2025

08:45 Arrival: Coffee & Networking

09:15 Chairman's Opening

*Nick Lambert, Director & Co-Founder, NLA International Ltd*

### SESSION 3: EXPANSION OF GREEN AND DIGITAL CORRIDORS

*Showcasing the latest developments driving change*

09:25 *Speaker to be confirmed*

09:40 **Next phase in green corridor development**

Sharing the latest updates on green value chain development, European cross-border collaboration and highlighting some examples of strategic partnerships to accelerate the energy transition

*Maurice Delattre, Regional Director (Europe), Port of Amsterdam*

09:55 *Gitte Livbjerg, Head of Fuel Concepts, Maersk Zero Carbon Shipping*

10:10 **Use of Green Methanol to become a Scalable Zero Emission Fuel in the maritime sector.**

This project explores the working partnership and collaboration which Green Shipping Corridors provide an approach to modelling a renewable scalable solution based on methanol as a hydrogen carrier.

*John Garner, Owner & MD, JG Maritime Solutions*

*David Surplus, Managing Director, bgenergy*

10:25 Q&A

10:45 Coffee & Networking

11:15 **PANEL DISCUSSION – ETS Carbon Levy**

*The impact on EU Ports and short sea shipping lines. What trends are emerging?*

Moderator:

*Alexandra Herdman, Senior Policy Manager, Logistics UK*

Panellists include:

*Johan-Paul Verschuure, Director, Rebel Ports & Logistics*

*Richard Ballantyne, Chief Executive, British Ports Association*

*Katrina Ross, Policy Director - Commercial and Governance, UK Chamber of Shipping*

*Nils Minor, Director Freight Sales West & Southern Europe, P&O Ferrymasters*

12:30 Lunch & Networking

14:00 **PANEL DISCUSSION – What do shippers want?**

*Greening the value chain and developing sustainable multimodal logistics networks.*

Panellists include:

*Stefan Krattiger, Business Development Leader Global Ports, IKEA Supply AG*

*Alexander Prahl, Head of Sales and Contracting Trademanagement, Tailwind Shipping Lines*

*Blasco Majorana, Line Manager, Finnlines*

*Port of Bilbao (speaker to be confirmed)*

15:20 Conference Wrap up – Chairman



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