

Press Release

The CSSF opens for Associated Memberships to strengthen collaboration on container ship safety

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The Container Ship Safety Forum (CSSF) is pleased to announce the launch of a new membership category: *Associated Members*. This initiative allows selected maritime stakeholders, such as classification societies, technology providers, research institutions, NGOs, and insurers, to formally advise and involve themselves in the CSSF community.

“Safety is a shared responsibility across the maritime industry. By welcoming trusted stakeholders in an advisory capacity, CSSF builds a broader platform for shared insight and practical progress, ultimately strengthening safety across the sector,” says Søren Thuen, First Chairman of CSSF and representative of Maersk.

“Expanding the CSSF network to include Associated Members is a natural step forward. Their perspectives can enrich our discussions and help us challenge assumptions, while keeping the focus on improving safety management practices,” says Swapnodeep Mondal, Second Chairman of CSSF and representative of Anglo-Eastern.

Associated Members may attend the open session of CSSF member meetings, take part in working groups and committees, and contribute in an advisory capacity.

Organisations interested in becoming Associated Members can contact the CSSF Secretariat to learn more and request an application form.

About CSSF

Launched in 2014 and incorporated as a registered association in 2018, the Container Ship Safety Forum e.V. (CSSF) is an international industry association and global business-to-business network dedicated to improving safety performance and management practices in the container shipping industry.

CSSF members collaborate by measuring, reporting, benchmarking, sharing best practices, and engaging with key industry stakeholders.

The 30 ordinary member companies of the CSSF represent more than 45 percent of the worldwide available TEU capacity on fully cellular container vessels.

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