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## TMS launches Ship Finance and Trade conference

The Maritime Standard, the Dubai-based publisher and events organisers, has announced that the fifth annual The Maritime Standard Ship Finance and Trade Conference will be held on Wednesday 6th November at Sofitel Abu Dhabi. This represents a move to a new, more modern venue.

Trevor Pereira, managing director, explains: "The Ship Finance and Trade conference has gone from strength to strength over the past few years, thanks to the tremendous support of industry professionals across the region, and in particular the encouragement and backing of Abu Dhabi Ports. We have decided to return to Abu Dhabi, but to a different venue, to access both the high quality facilities and the capacity needed to keep pace with the requirements of attendees."

Aimed at influential decision makers and opinion formers in the shipping, ports, ship finance and trade related business sectors, the one-day Conference will focus on the key issues facing the region as it seeks to develop trade related infrastructure and services. It will in particular assess how different financial solutions can help unlock barriers to greater levels of activity and how the maritime and financial sectors can better work together. This year there will also be coverage of several new areas, including rail and road transportation, in response to feedback from last year's conference.

The theme of the event in 2019 is "Finding innovative solutions in a changing. Geopolitical and economic environment." Clive Woodbridge, conference editor, says, "The maritime sector is beset with uncertainties on many different levels at the moment. Attending the event will give participants an insight into some of these challenges, but also will underline the exciting ways that companies are looking to innovate to find solutions."





Registration for the conference is now open. Sponsorship opportunities in connection with the event are also available. For more information, please call +971 4 380 5556 or visit the website: www.shipfinanceandtrade.com.



Image Caption:(from left to right) Clive Woodbridge, The Maritime Standard; Jesper Kjaedegaard, Mercator International; Andrew Simmons, Global Marine Transport; Ali Shehab, Kuwait Oil Tanker Company; Dr. Priyath Wickrama, Bestar Consultancy; Capt. Abdulkareem Al Masabi, ADNOC Logistics & Services; Capt. Mohamed Juma Al Shamisi, Abu Dhabi Ports; Trevor Pereira, The Maritime Standard; H.E Ahmed M. Shareef Alkhoori, Federal Transport Authority; Ross Thompson, Abu Dhabi Ports; H.E. Salem Al Zaabi, Federal Transport Authority; Yaqoub Abdulla, Department of Seaports & Customs, Sharjah Ports Authority; Saliya Wickramasuriya, Hambantota International Ports Group; H.E Eduardo Fonseca, Consulate of Panama; Michael Jorgensen, Oman Shipping Company; Marcus Machin, Tufton Oceanic; Jacob Berman, Standard Chartered Bank

