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17 August 2022, London: The Ghana Chamber of Shipping has become an associate member of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS).

Launched in 2018, the Ghana Chamber of Shipping champions and protects Ghana's maritime industry, working with Governments, parliaments and international organisations on behalf of its members. The Chamber serves as a veritable platform for dialogue and collaboration amongst the various maritime stakeholders and articulates the views of the maritime actors towards reshaping maritime policy for national development.

The Ghana Chamber of Shipping is ICS's third member based in West Africa, along with Liberian Shipowners' Council and Nigerian Chamber of Shipping. This membership will strengthen relationships across the maritime sector as the industry continues to work together to find solutions to collective issues including piracy, seafarer welfare and training, digitisation, automation, and decarbonisation.

Guy Platten, Secretary General of International Chamber of Shipping, said:

"I am delighted to welcome the Ghana Chamber of Shipping to ICS membership. The whole of the shipping industry faces challenges, from how we can decarbonise our sector to making sure our seafarers have equal access to training and support as we go through the green transition. Now more than ever we know the importance of collaboration to achieve our collective goals and tackle pressing issues facing our industry.

"This membership will enhance our ability to work together and along with the rest of the ICS secretariat I look forward to working with the Ghana Chamber of Shipping."

Mr Ben Owusu - Mensah President of the Ghana Chamber of Shipping, said:

"The Ghanaian Maritime Community is pleased with the acceptance of the Ghana Chamber of Shipping into the fold of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS). There is no doubt that Ghana, a formidable maritime nation with strong maritime credentials, stand to benefit immensely from the repertoire of knowledge and information that the ICS shares with its members towards resolving the multifaceted maritime industry challenges.

"Ghanaian maritime operators working through the Ghana Chamber of Shipping stand to benefit immensely from ICS's rich expertise and best practices in handling technical, legal and trade policy issues that impact their shipping operations."

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Notes to editor

About ICS:

The International Chamber of Shipping (ICS) is the principal international trade association for merchant shipowners and operators, representing all sectors and trades and over 80% of the world merchant fleet.

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