

International and European Regulation on Ammonia as an Alternative Fuel in Shipping

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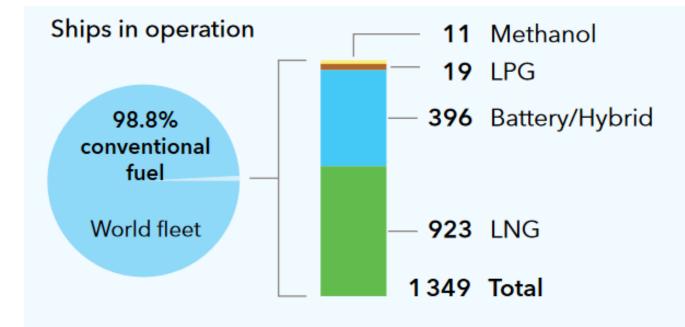
The Shipping Sector in Numbers



Global CO2 Emissions of the Shipping Sector in 2020

Conventional Fuels in the World Fleet







Taking Action on the International and European Level



Initial IMO Strategy on Reduction of GHG Emissions from Ships

Reduction of total annual emissions by at least **50% by 2050**; to be achieved by reducing CO₂ emissions per transport unit in international shipping by at least 40% on average by 2030 and targeting a 70% reduction by 2050



Green Deal: Fit for 55 Package

EU sustainable and smart mobility strategy aims at 90% GHG emission reduction from todays levels until 2050



Fuel EU-Maritime initiative Increasing the demand for and furthering the consistent use of renewable and low carbon fuels

Instruments to reduce GHG Emissions



Market-based Instruments

Increase the competitiveness of alternative fuels

Int. levy System

Emissions Trading Systen

Operational Requirements

Requirements e.g. regarding fuel GHG intensity

Carbon Intensity Indicator GHC

GHG Fuel Standard

Regulation on Efficiency

Design requirements for new/existing ships for ideal carbon intensity

Energy Efficiency Existing Ship Index Energy Efficiency Design Index



Technical Approval and Construction					
Requirements					
Sufficient reflection of the use of alternative fuels in					
shipping					
SOLAS, IGC/IBC/IGF Code	CESNI/ ESTRIN				

Fuel Supply System				
Sufficient Infrastructure and introduction of quotas				
AFIR/TEN-E	RED III			



2023: Setting the future framework for shipping







Market-based measures (MBMs)

IMO: Overview of proposed MBMs



Several proposals that differ in various respects:

How is revenue raised: trade or levy?

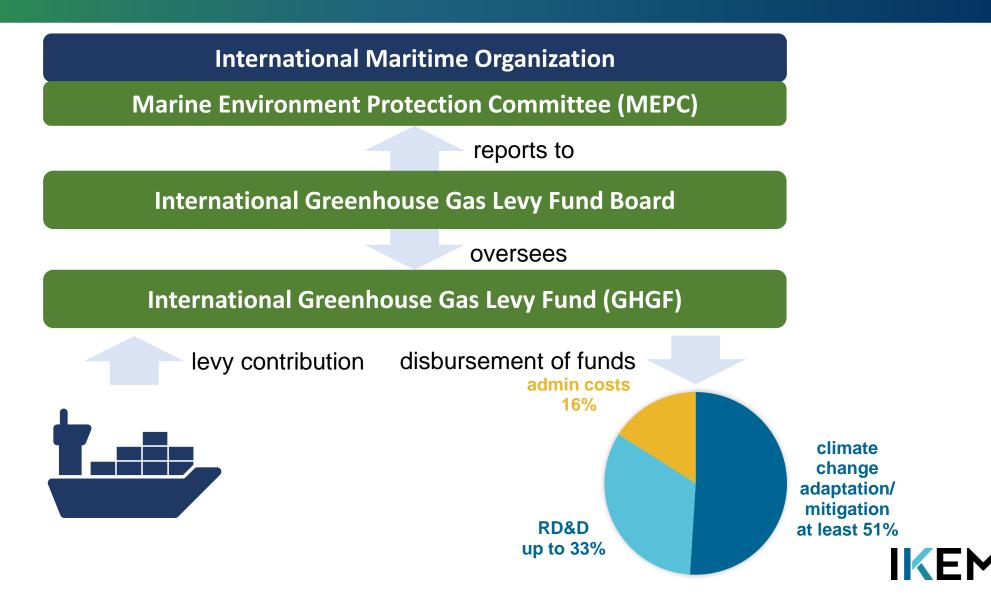
What is the revenue based on: GHG, CO2, WtW, TtW emissions or fuel consumption?

How is revenue disbursed: rebate, R&D, capacity building?



Proposed GHG levy



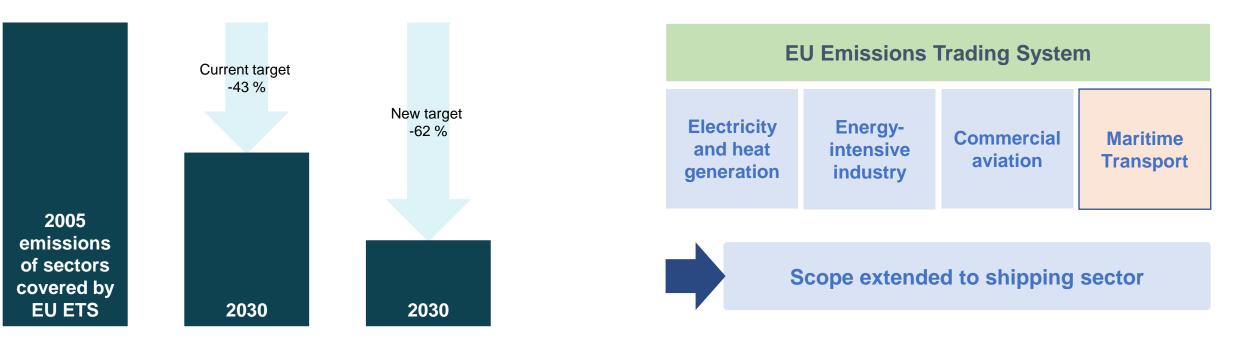


EU Emissions Trading System



Overall ambition

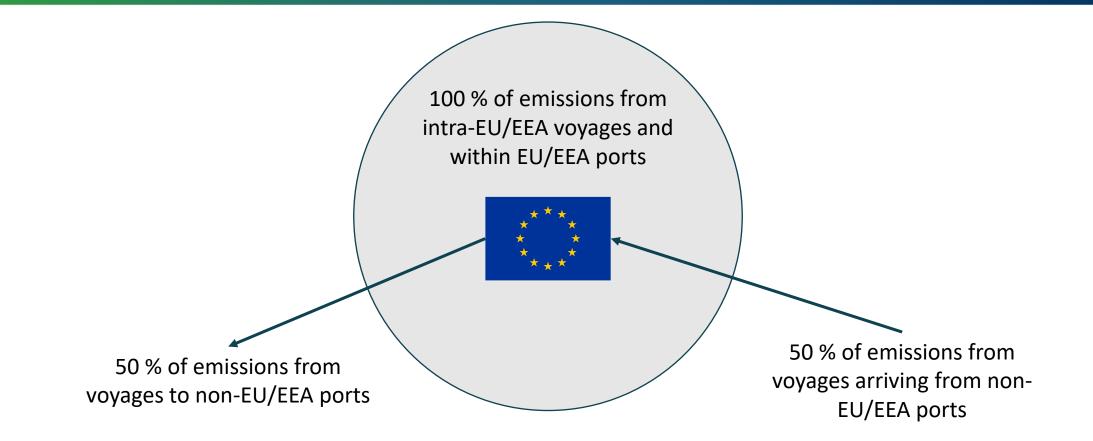
Inclusion of maritime sector





EU ETS Maritime: Geographical scope







EU ETS Maritime Timeline



	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Ship types					
5000+ GT cargo/passenger ships					
5000+ GT offshore vessels					
400-5000 GT offshore and general cargo ships				pe reviewed in D26	
Greenhouse gases					
02					
CH4 and N2O					
Phase-in					
			100	100	100
% of emissions		70			
included	40				tK

Source: own illustration based on <u>DNV</u>.

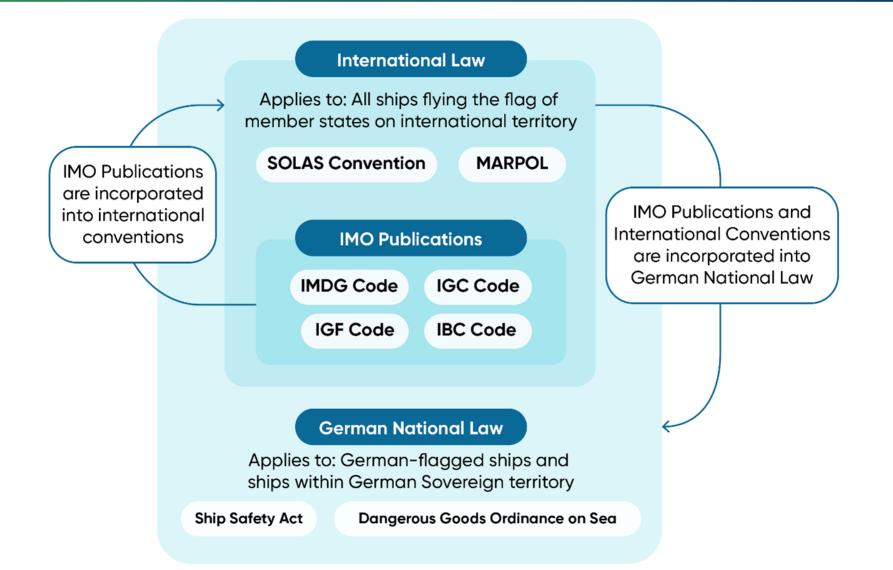


Technical approval for sea-going vessels

Regulatory Framework



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SOLAS Convention



International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS Convention)



Ship Safety Certificate(s)

proof of compliance with the respective relevant requirements of SOLAS



SOLAS Convention and IMO Regulation



International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS Convention)

refers to

International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships Carrying Liquefied Gases in Bulk (IGC Code) refers to

International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk (IBC Code) refers to

International Code of Safety for Ships Using Gases or Other Low-Flashpoint Fuels (IGF Code)

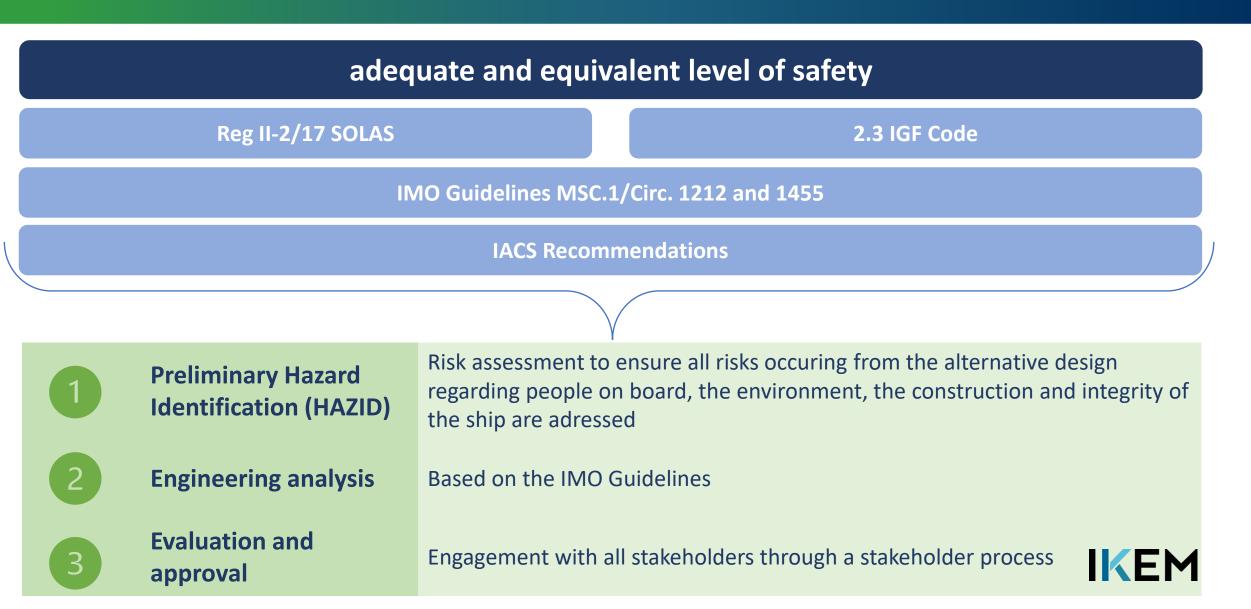
ammonia has no identifiable flashpoint

all regulation and codes contain construction requirements fitted for the use of conventional fuel systems

Ships using alternative fuels such as ammonia in general can not obtain the required Ship Safety Certificate

Alternative Design Approach





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approval of alternative fuel designs

IMO Guidelines currently do not specifically represent the construction needs for the use of alternative fuels

IMO works on guidelines for the use of ammonia and hydrogen as maritime fuel – expected 2023/2024

The lack of standardised guidelines and procedures lead to lengthy approval processes during which each ship must be examined and assessed on an individual case-by-case-basis IMO approach to accompany innovation technologies with guidelines rather than hinder with ill-suited regulation

Ammonia as a toxic substance currently cannot be used as a fuel on gas carriers within the scope of the IGC Code (16.9.2 IGC Code)



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Developments in the Shipping Sector under way					
Market-based Mechanisms	technical approval				
IMO: Possible introduction of a levy system, decision expected in 2023	IMO: Interim guidelines for the use of methanol				
EU: Inclusion of the Maritime Sector soon to be finalized	Successive facilitation and standardization of approval processes for ships with alternative propulsion technologies by means of guidelines				
	guidelines for the use of ammonia and hydrogen in progress which in medium-term are to be implemented in the IGF Code				

Shipping sector to gain innovative and regulatory speed – much to be expected until 2025

Thank you for your attention!

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