

## Press Release

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# CIMAC misses ambition in IMO's draft regulations to reduce GHG emissions

CIMAC, the global association of the Internal Combustion Engines Industry, believes the draft amendments to MARPOL Annex VI approved at the MEPC 75 session are lacking ambition and long-term perspective. IMO, as the international UN-body to govern international shipping, does not seem fast enough to outpace other regional climate regulations, like the EU-ETS to include shipping in their scheme. Unfortunately, other areas might follow, and an even more fragmented landscape for shipping cannot be the right solution for the sector. Additionally, since innovation cycles in shipping are extremely long, regulations must provide security for the planning of investments – IMO's plans fail to do so.

The IMO decision is “conservative“ says Dirk Bergmann, the new Chairman of CIMAC's Strategy Group Greenhouse Gas (GHG). “Hence, this is not a major step forward in terms of how maritime shipping may contribute to the fight against climate change. Climate protection needs more ambition”, he continues.

The initial IMO GHG Strategy, adopted in 2018, sets the target to halve GHG emission from ships by 2050, compared to 2008. CIMAC had hoped that the MEPC 75 meeting would formulate concrete and mandatory steps, and take a long-term perspective. The association had beforehand submitted a specific paper to the MEPC 75 meeting (see <https://www.cimac.com/strategy-groups/strategy-group-greenhouse-gas/index.html>).

“The maritime industry needs to be part of the solution”, explains Christoph Rofka, CIMAC Vice President Communication. “We should also be considering that not only countries in the EU, but also China and many others have set sail to climate neutrality. They will hardly accept that maritime shipping keeps lacking behind.”

### About CIMAC

CIMAC is the leading global non-profit Association of the Internal Combustion Machinery Industry consisting of National Member Associations and Corporate Members in 27 Countries in America, Asia and Europe. CIMAC represents the large engine technology sector. This includes diesel and gas engines which are used for power generation, marine propulsion, and locomotives. Our stakeholders include manufacturers, researchers, suppliers and end-users. It is our vision to promote large engine technology power solutions that are efficient, reliable, safe and sustainable and of benefit to society, in pursuit of the transition to a low-carbon future.

The CIMAC Greenhouse Gas Strategy Group was formed in 2018 to work strategically on the topic of GHG reduction in the shipping sector and to take a pro-active approach towards zero emissions.

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