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ABSTRACT

The International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), which is the principal international trade association representing shipowners at IMO, will provide a brief history of how the industry has co-operated with regulators in the development of global maritime safety regulation for a global industry. The presentation will emphasize the importance of flag state responsibility with regard to the implementation and enforcement of maritime safety, and the industry's efforts to complement IMO safety regulations with its own comprehensive guidance on best practices.