



SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Professor Michael S A Bradley, BSc Hons, PhD, Professor of Bulk and Particulate Technology, Director of The Wolfson Centre for Bulk Solids Handling Technology, University of Greenwich



Mike Bradley is Professor in Particle and Bulk Technology, Director of the Wolfson Centre for Bulk Solids Handling Technology and Head of the Greenwich Manufacturing Group at the University of Greenwich.

Mike was awarded both his honours degree and PhD from Thames Polytechnic (now the University of Greenwich) and, as manager/director, provides technical leadership in all aspects of bulk solids handling. His particular areas of interest lie in pneumatic conveying, design of hoppers and silos, dust control, plant integration and maintenance of product quality.

Mike is Chairman of the Solids Handling and Processing Association (SHAPA), a member of Materials Handling Engineers Association (MHEA) and of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers Bulk Materials Handling Committee (IMEchE) as well as being on the Members Advisory Panel of the Association of ABTO. He was awarded a professorship in 2006 and the directorship in 2008.

Captain Richard Brough BA, OBE, Director, Brough Marine Ltd and Head of ICHCA International



Richard Brough started his career in 1969 with the Merchant Navy, culminating in command level. After 20 years at sea, he came ashore and worked in various port and stevedoring management positions until 2004, when he established his own port and logistics consultancy.

From 2008-2011 he also launched, ran and sold UK Port Services Ltd. Richard is Head of ICHCA International and is deeply involved in the association's work with various international agencies and regulatory bodies.

Anthony van der Hoest, Director Commerce, MTBS



Anthony van der Hoest is Senior Manager Commerce at MTBS and responsible for business development, project delivery and management. He has over 13 years of experience in the ports and maritime sector and holds a Civil Engineering degree from Delft University of Technology.

He has significant experience in various senior management and business development roles at Port of Amsterdam, Terminal Investment Ltd (TIL) and Samskip. Anthony has gained a profound knowledge of, inter alia, container and breakbulk trade & shipping, terminal and port development & operation and terminal valuation & finance.

Basil M. Karatzas FICS, ASA, CEO, Karatzas Marine Advisors & Co



Basil Karatzas is the founder of Karatzas Marine Advisors & Co, a shipping finance advisory and ship-brokerage firm based in New York with a satellite office in Hamburg.

Basil brings more than fifteen years shipping experience in diverse industry functions such as port operations, charterers' and husbandry agency, charter brokerage, ship brokerage and vessel management and vessel operations.

He has originated multiple finance-oriented transactions in shipping such as sale & leaseback transactions, private placements for both equity and debt, and provided extensively advisory services, vessel valuations, fairness opinions, position papers and customized research reports, in the tanker, gas, offshore, dry bulk and containership markets in both the international registry and the Jones Act markets.

Garry O'Malley, Site Operations Director, Teesworks



Garry has held a series of senior management roles in the ports industry for over 30 years after spending a number of years as a senior seagoing officer in the Merchant Navy. He is a Master Mariner, Associate Fellow of the Nautical Institute and the Vice Chairman of the Tees and Hartlepool Port Users Association and Chairman, Technical Committee, ABTO.

Garry joined Redcar Bulk Terminal in 2012 prior to the re-opening of the steel works to oversee the resumption of iron ore imports. After only three years of production the steel works closed in October 2015 resulting in terminal throughput falling by almost 95%. He then successfully restructured the business through its transition from a bulk import facility for to a more diverse multi-modal terminal operation handling a wide variety of bulk materials for a number of clients.

Garry left Redcar recently and has been appointed Site Operations Director at Teesworks. Teesworks is the largest industrial development in the UK, which will include a one-kilometre quay.

Frank Robertson, Vice-President Operations, LOGISTEC



Frank Robertson is a highly sought-after bulk handling expert with over 20 years' experience in the cargo handling industries having worked for organizations such as Quebec Stevedoring and Oshawa Stevedoring.

Frank's in-depth knowledge of the wide range of bulk products and the unique challenges that come with each one, are just one of the special skills he brings to the LOGISTEC team.

What he is most known for is his innovative approach to challenges faced by customers to move their bulk products efficiently and safely, and he starts by looking at the customers' complete supply chain, from production to delivery.

Today, Frank works with customers and with his team of experts, as Vice-President Operations, to implement customized plans that leverage LOGISTEC's unparalleled experience in bulk handling to help customers win in their markets.

Peter Sand, Chief Shipping Analyst, BIMCO



BIMCO's chief shipping market analyst has in depth knowledge about the three main shipping sectors: tankers, dry bulk and container shipping. He connects the dots between global economics and the shipping industry and is a frequent source in financial and shipping media across the world.

Peter follows the Trade War between the United States and China closely, and frequently dives deep into specific issues, such as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the shipping market, Chinese iron ore imports or the soya bean market.

He has been with BIMCO since 2009, building the shipping market analysis team from scratch. Prior to joining BIMCO he worked as an analyst at the dry bulk and product tanker shipowner D/S Norden. Peter holds a Master's degree in economics from Copenhagen University.

Captain Ben van Scherpenzeel, Chairman, International Task Force Port Call Optimisation



Ben van Scherpenzeel is Chairman of the International Port Call Optimisation Task Force.

This task force works to improve the quality of information in the port call process by identifying data bottlenecks, embracing existing industry standards for these data and subsequently testing these standards with the aid of prototypes.

Prior to joining the Port of Rotterdam in 2004 as Director, Nautical Development, Policy & Plans Ben spent 15 years at sea as a deck officer, staff captain and project manager of new build programs.

Rahul Sharan, Lead Research Analyst Dry Bulk, Drewry Shipping Consultants



Rahul Sharan joined Drewry in 2008 and has been working on shipping and economic research for the past ten years. He leads dry bulk research at Drewry and is the editor of Drewry's flagship publications, *Drewry Shipping Insight* and *Dry Bulk Forecaster*.

Rahul has worked on a number of advisory assignments, including handling the dry bulk part of a major study to prepare a report based on the primary data compilation on Indonesian coastal trade and a competitive route analysis for the dry bulk commodity trade.

In addition, he has also been working on consultancy assignments on ports and dry bulk freight market strategy.