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NIGERIAN CHAMBER OF SHIPPING

#### THE NIGERIAN CHAMBER OF SHIPPING (NCS)



The Nigerian Chamber of Shipping was formed in 2002 with the primary objective of ensuring that the domestic shipping industry participates fully in all commercial services in the Nigerian Coastal Waters and beyond.

The body has grown to become an umbrella body for all stakeholders in the Maritime / Shipping industry in Nigeria and secures for its members, maximum participation in Nigeria's domestic and international trades.

The Chamber has attained a unique position in the Nigerian Maritime industry, as a bridge between stakeholders: operators (indigenous and foreign), Government, International organizations and local regulatory agencies and we also enjoy close relationships with regulatory agencies throughout the world.

### **MISSION**

The Nigerian Chamber of Shipping (NCS) is the trade association for the Nigerian maritime industry, representing the entire sector and comprising ship owners, tanker vessel operators, port/terminal operators, shippard/ dry dock owners, upstream and downstream service operators in oil and gas sector, international maritime/shipping operators, maritime lawyers, and financial institutions, through which structure the Chamber has a unique and legitimate claim as the umbrella body in Nigeria for stakeholders in the shipping/ Maritime sector.

#### **AIM**

The aim of NCS is to act as an advocate for the industry on issues of shipping policy (formulation, implementation and monitoring), maritime affairs, technical matters such as administration/ management, safety, operations, and to promote best practice among members to meet international standards.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- Promote and protect the interest of its members, securing for them maximum participation in Nigeria's domestic and international Maritime trade.
- Encourage effective and efficient operation among members, abreast with international standards.
- > Support the growth and development of international trade in Nigeria.
- Ensure the realization of the local content objective in the Maritime sector.

# NCS...Taking major steps towards working together in practical ways and speaking with one voice on key issues that affect the development of the industry.

- 1. Draw closer the vision of having stakeholders working as a compact unit to achieve common goals.
- 2. Creating channels of opportunities for business, as well as making business information available and accessible to various stakeholders in the Nigerian Maritime industry.
- 3. Cooperate with other agencies, statutory and non-statutory, to ensure implementation of a regulated environment that ensures effective maritime administration, safe shipping operations, and fair and competitive shipping cost regimes.
- 4. Ensure that professionalism is maintained within the pursuit for local capacity building and in line with obligations for national associations.
- 5. Strive for professionalism and level playing field for all operators in the development and implementation of local content.
- 6. Drive the promotion and advancement of best practices in all shipping/maritime operations in Nigeria.

## TO EFFECTIVELY SERVE THIS ROLE, THE CHAMBER ENGAGES ITSELF IN THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES:

#### ADVOCACY:

To promote the interest of operators and stakeholders through appropriate Policy advocacy and monitoring of the enforcement of Government policies that affect the industry which will ensure that Nigeria becomes the major hub of shipping business in the West African sub region with world class standards in line with global best practices.

#### TRAINING PROGRAMS:

In order to ensure the realization of local content objective in the Maritime/Oil and Gas sector there is also a greater need for local capacity development by way of training and empowerment stakeholders with the opportunity for Continuous Professional Development in the shipping/maritime sector, we have made tremendous effort to achieve this through enlightenment campaigns, The Chamber on a monthly basis, runs different training programs designed to suit the needs of our wide clientele ranging from the operators to financial institutions and other interested individuals.

#### These courses include:

- i Understanding Cabotage and Local Content in the Nigerian Oil and Gas Industry (Upstream)
- ii. ABC of Shipping Course
- iii. Port Operations
- iv. Specialized Ship Financing Training Programmes



#### ...AND THESE ACTIVITIES TOO



#### CONSULTANCY:

As a trade organization with competencies reposed within its membership, the Chamber offer consultancy in several area of the industry and undertakes in-depth feasibility studies for persons who are willing to make investments in the sector.

#### PUBLICATIONS:

(Maritime digest) a quarterly journal, Bi-weekly Guardian Pull-out journal and other relevant trade materials and Nigerian Port Analysis.

#### ARBITRATION:

The Chamber has been involved in several trades' disputes between her members and government agencies thus saving huge legal fees and foster better working relations in the industry.

#### RESEARCH:

The Chamber went through extensive research and planning to structure and ensures the creation of a platform for all embracing national policy decisions aligned with the heartbeat of the industry to engender positive turnaround in the sector.

#### ENLIGHTENMENT CAMPAIGN:

We have created a working synergy between the regulator and the operator in simple partnership and understanding by drawing all hands on deck to ensure the actualization of a common goal, this we achieve through maritime round table, Members evening, interactive forums, breakfast meetings etc



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# NCS: Network of Relationships

#### **COMPOSITION OF NIGERIAN CHAMBER OF SHIPPING MEMBERSHIP**



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#### MARITIME LOGISTICS SERVICES PROVIDERS

NCS relates with Freight Forwarding Associations, Customs Agents in terms of providing training. NCS advocacy as NESG Trade Facilitation Group Chairperson was basically in support of streamlining the Import procedure and making it less cumbersome. Also we have canvassed for use of appropriate incoterms.

DRYDOCKS & SHIPBUILDING

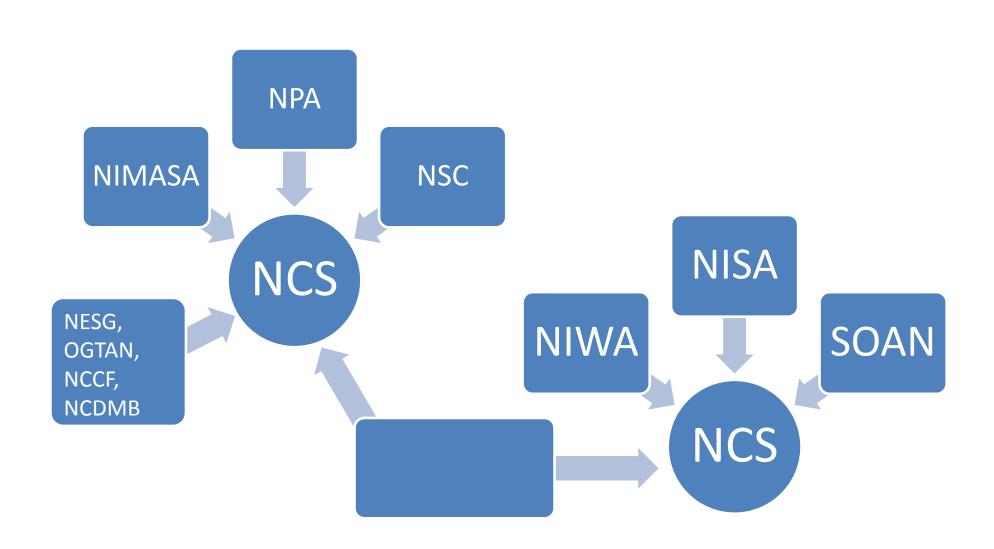
NCS has relationship with the drydock and shipbuilding segment of Nigeria's maritime industry. Such of the Chamber.

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BANKS & OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

SKYE BANK, ECOBANK PLC, FIDELITY BANK, FIRST BANK, DIAMOND BANK, GTBANK, ACCESS BANK, etc.





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