
Board Regeneration Signals Renewed Vitality for MIAL

MIAL is pleased to announce that today's AGM, held at Parliament House Canberra, welcomed in a new era, with the MIAL Members electing a new Chair and several new members of the MIAL Board.

Noel Hart announced his retirement as Chair after 10 years and has been succeeded by another Australian shipping industry leader, David Parmeter as Chair of the Association.

MIAL CEO, Teresa Lloyd said, "MIAL has been the beneficiary of Noel's outstanding leadership and extraordinary industry experience for the past 10 years. The deepest possible appreciation of the Association and its' Members is extended to Noel for his vision, support and steady guidance throughout the past decade – one which has seen significant change to the industry and the Association itself."

David Parmeter has a long and rich history with the Australian shipping industry, beginning his career with BHP Steel in Port Kembla in 1981 as an Industrial Relations Officer before moving to ANL in 1984. David joined the Australian Shipowners Association (MIAL's former name) secretariat in 1987 before moving to Teekay in 2002 as head of Human Resources in Australia, before taking over the role of Managing Director in 2006, a position from which he announced his retirement in May this year.

"David has long been a strong advocate for the Australian industry and along with his firm belief in the critical nature of Australia's maritime industry, clear thinking approach and commercial insight, MIAL will continue to be in very good hands with David at the helm." Ms Lloyd said.

MIAL also welcomes five new elected board members:

Ms Lada Bukharina (Teekay Shipping), Mr David Borcoski (ASP Ship Management), Mr Matt McDonald (Searoad Ferries), Mr Greg Jackson (Carnival Australia), Mr Fred White (Sea Swift).

They join existing Board Members, David Ross (MMA Offshore) and Bill Bissett (CSL Australia) in a Board that reflects the diverse mix of maritime business that makes up MIAL.

"This is an exciting period of renewal for the Association" Ms Lloyd said. "All sectors of the maritime industry – offshore, domestic commercial vessels, towage, cruise, research, bluewater, defence support, offer enormous value and opportunity to Australia. MIAL remain steadfast in our focus on fostering a vibrant and competitive Australian maritime industry for the benefit of the nation." she said.

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Teresa Lloyd
MIAL, CEO

About Maritime Industry Australia Ltd

Maritime Industry Australia Ltd (MIAL) is the country's largest representative of maritime businesses, primarily those operating maritime assets or facilities from Australia. MIAL is uniquely positioned to provide dedicated maritime expertise and advice, and is driven to promote a sustainable, vibrant and competitive Australian maritime industry and to expand the Australian maritime cluster.

