

2019 Manifesto



Key stats

1.1m jobs
and
£46.1bn GVA
(more than air and
rail combined)

Ports invest
£600m
each year

43%
more productive
than UK average

Globally, the sector
will double to
\$3trn by 2030

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People



- Support the new Maritime Skills Commission to invest in home-grown talent through developing a stronger pipeline of future colleagues, supporting the life-long learning opportunities for current colleagues and improving the diversity of the sector, so that it is seen as truly open to all.
- Remain open to global talent who can help the sector to prosper.

Competitiveness



- Implement recommendations from industry's recent competitiveness study.
- Fund projects set out in new joint industry-government five-year plan for maritime exports and investment, so that more British companies are exporting and the UK being promoted in key markets globally.
- Prioritise domestic procurement of state vessels to develop and sustain British shipbuilding.

Innovation



- Co-invest in Maritime Research and Innovation UK so that the UK can lead on grand challenges including decarbonisation, automation and digitisation.
- Ensure that coastal regions have the right digital and energy connectivity to develop the modern, sustainable maritime industries of tomorrow.
- Ensure access to EU research programmes such as Horizon 2020.

Regional Growth



- Implement the sector's ten-point plan for coastal economic development, helping unlock a further £100m private investment annually.
- Invest in infrastructure and connectivity – better linking our ports and coastal communities to population and distribution centres across the country, unlocking £14.2bn of value for UK PLC.
- Secure funding to accelerate the growth of regional cluster organisations focused on driving jobs and growth in coastal communities.
- Protect appropriate marine waterfront sites for economic development.

Environment



- Co-invest in Maritime Research and Innovation UK – the industry's new, national cross-sector research and innovation centre to develop the maritime technologies for a new green industrial revolution.
- Incentivise the shift to low and zero-carbon fuels, technologies and transport modes.
- Support the development of port infrastructure to provide zero-emission fuelling.
- Set sustainable regulation that supports high standards of environmental stewardship and works in sympathy with responsible development.
- Support access to green finance for the uptake of zero-emission solutions.

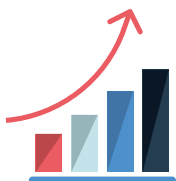
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People

Our aim is to have a **talented and diverse workforce** in every part of the sector, driving business growth, inspired to join us by a professional careers campaign, and well-trained to use their talents to the full.



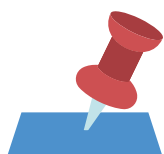
Competitiveness

Our aim is to **attract new maritime businesses to the UK** by working with government to enhance the competitiveness of the UK's business environment and to **grow the export of maritime products and services** by supporting companies to export and promoting the sector across the UK's diplomatic and commercial network.



Innovation

Our aim is to position the UK as a **leader in innovation** across the grand challenges faced by the maritime industries globally by facilitating collaboration across the sector and securing government investment for the new, national cross-sector collaboration vehicle, Maritime Research & Innovation UK.



Regional Growth

Our aim is to **boost prosperity and opportunity in coastal communities** by working with government to create more pro-investment conditions for maritime businesses such as ports and by creating a network of regional maritime cluster organisations to foster collaboration between industry, local government and academia to drive growth.



Environment

Our aim is to minimise the sector's impact upon the environment, to help other industries to minimise their own impact, take advantages of new technological opportunities such as **decarbonisation** and encourage **modal shift** to coastal and inland shipping.

Maritime UK is the umbrella body for the maritime sector, bringing together the shipping, ports, services, engineering, science and leisure marine industries. Our purpose is to champion and enable a thriving maritime sector.