



MARITIME  
UK

Welcome to the  
world's maritime  
centre

## The complete maritime package

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- Unparalleled expertise
- Maritime heritage
- Driven by innovation
- Ready to trade



As an island nation, the UK has long been the centre of global maritime business. You can find the breadth and depth of our expertise throughout the UK with particular maritime clusters in London, Merseyside, Southampton, Aberdeen, Hull and beyond.

Today UK maritime capabilities are used by the rest of the world, and our pioneering technology, manufacturing, design, engineering and services, mean the UK offers a complete package for all maritime business.

## A world-class business environment

Ranked by The World Bank as one of the easiest countries to do business with, the UK is underpinned by its global trading heritage and strong expertise.

Businesses trade with us because they value our steadiness, respect our maritime history, trust our knowledge and know they can rely on the capabilities and skills to be found in the UK.

Menon has again ranked London as the world's number one city for maritime finance and law.





## A culture of innovation

The UK's secret to longevity as a maritime centre is not just our expertise and experience, but our drive to constantly innovate and move forwards.

UK maritime equipment designers and manufacturers are behind some of the world's most advanced and ambitious maritime projects. Our commitment to innovation means our customers benefit from cutting-edge UK design and technology.

Whatever you're looking for, from cutting edge merchant and naval shipbuilding to chandlery, nanotechnology, or autonomous systems, the UK maritime sector is a pioneering force behind key developments in equipment, product design and technical innovation.

## Connected infrastructure

Ports and freight are vital to the UK economy and link us to global markets – over 95% of our goods arrive via our ports which handle more than 500 million tonnes of freight each year.

The UK port sector is an efficient and pivotal hub in evolving global supply chains and can connect you to burgeoning markets in the UK and Europe.

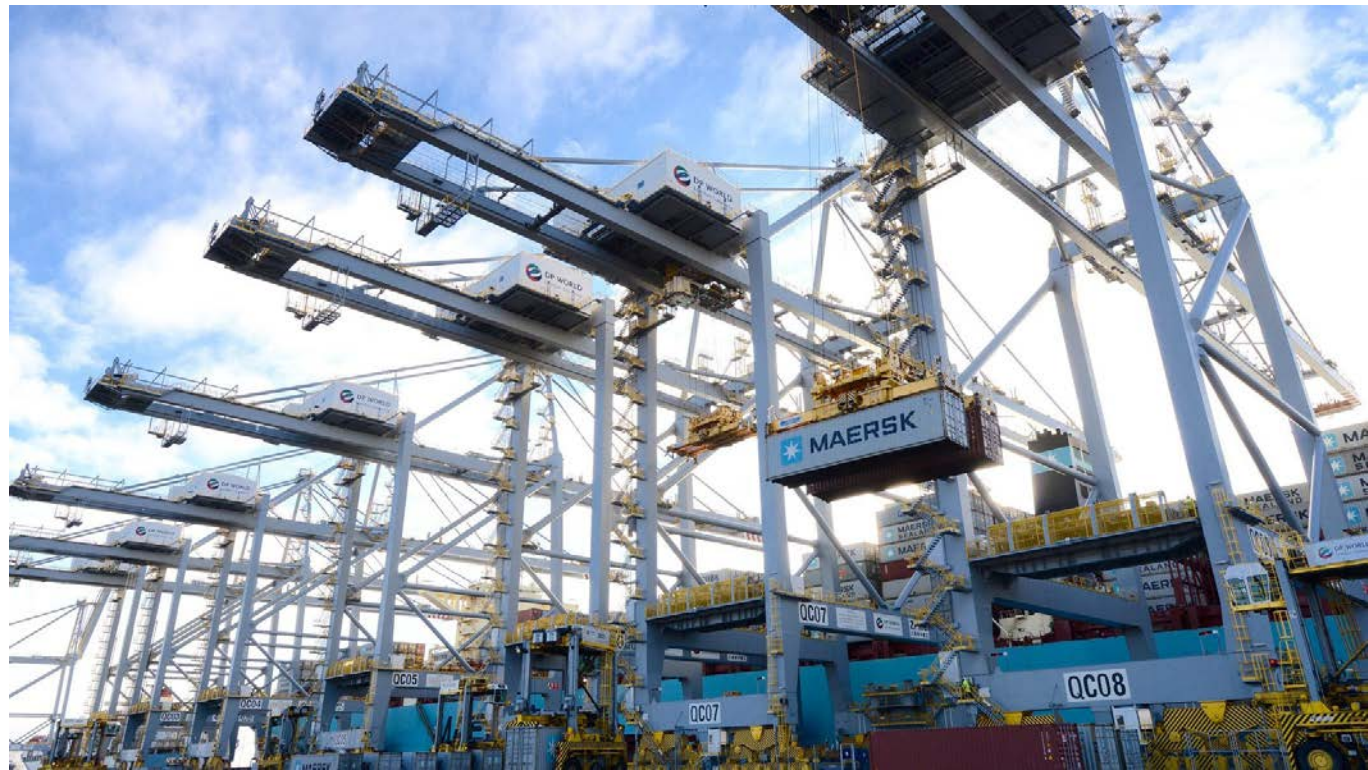
Our port operations range from all-purpose facilities to container ports, along with bulk, ferry and cruise terminals.

Billions of pounds have been invested into our port sector, which means that we can welcome the world's largest vessels and handle increasing volumes of freight and passengers.

By enhancing our ports and investing in wider transport networks, the UK is ensuring that our infrastructure is better connected and more technologically advanced.

## An opportunity to invest

UK ports are home to large areas of land, next to deep water and with excellent road and rail connections. They offer ideal locations for a range of activities, including manufacturing and distribution.



## A modern and dynamic Flag

The UK Ship Register operates a globally recognised Flag with a long-standing reputation for high international standards.

It is committed to delivering a responsive and customer-focused service to a worldwide market.

This comprehensive and high-quality range of services from a single provider keeps costs competitive and trading much simpler for you.

Our Ship Register provides ship owners with a complete range of services; it can audit ships and companies against the safety management, ship security and MLC requirements, plus all the relevant ISO standards.

In a constantly evolving market, the UK Ship Register is committed to ensuring that its reputation for quality is matched by a reputation for outstanding customer service. Listening to what customers say and taking action means the register maintains global responsiveness, meets customer needs and consistently improves its services.

## World-class education and training

The UK's maritime world-class education and training infrastructure is second to none, with educational provision and professional skills development delivered by our prestigious universities and colleges. These institutions welcome collaborations and partnerships with the world's most successful maritime businesses.

Government and industry are committed to investing in the next generation of maritime professionals by taking an innovative approach to training, for roles at sea and ashore. For example, the UK invests in the £15m Support for Maritime Training (SMarT) fund, which contributes towards the cost of training Merchant Navy ratings and officer trainees.

The UK is seen as offering the 'gold standard' for education and training.

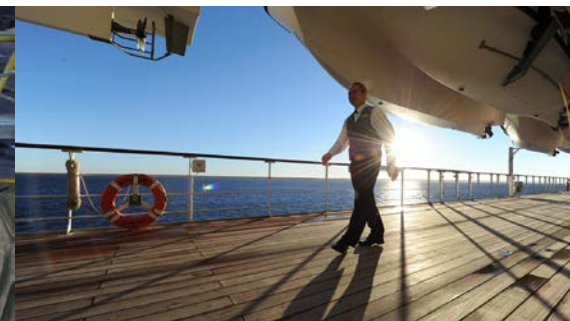


## Global influence

The UK is proud and honoured to host the International Maritime Organization (IMO), and its location in London enables access to key decision makers and experts at an international level, through embassies and non-governmental organisations.

The UK is resolutely committed to promoting the IMO as the primary place for developing international maritime regulation, producing standards to ensure the safety of seafarers and passengers, and cleaner seas.

It is the goal of the UK to ensure regulations approved by the IMO are both proportionate and effective – seeking the right balance between safe secure ships and clean seas while freeing business from unnecessary regulation.



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