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## WELCOME TO OUR SPEAKERS OF DAY 1



**Darren Vaux**  
President, ICOMIA  
International Council of Marine  
Industry Associations



**Joe Lynch**  
Chief Executive Officer, ICOMIA  
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**Ng Bingrong**  
Director, Decarbonisation  
Planning & Infrastructure  
Maritime and Port Authority of  
Singapore



**Dr Grant Suzuki PhD**  
Chief of Technology  
Marine Innovation Engineering  
Yamaha Motor Corporation USA



**Austin Murashima**  
Department Manager, Marine  
Engine Advanced Development  
Yamaha Motor Co. Ltd. Japan



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**Dr Sanjay C. Kuttan**  
Chief Technology Officer  
Global Centre for Maritime  
Decarbonisation



**Max Tan**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Haphicraft



**Daniel He**  
Co-Founder  
The Kinetic Option



**Chester Zhikai Gan**  
Conservation Manager (Oceans)  
World Wildlife Fund Singapore



**Klaas Jan Teule**  
Leader, Coral Triangle Programme  
World Wildlife Fund Singapore



**Wade Pearce**  
Founder / Director  
SG Marine Guide / Thai  
Marine Guide

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**Maryanne Edwards**  
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Global Marine Business Advisors



**Ewa Stachurska**  
Vice President Marketing  
Simpson Marine Group



**Sam Do**  
Founder / Advisor  
Saigon Yacht & Marina



**Jonathan Sit**  
Regional General Manager Marina  
Division  
ONE°15 Marina / SUTL Enterprise



**Peter Craven**  
Founder / Director  
Marinas Indonesian  
Investment Group (MIIG)



**Kenta Inaba**  
President & Owner  
Superyacht Logistics Japan /  
GMBA Japan



**Andrew Scott**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Boating Industry Association  
Australia



**Lawrence Chow**  
Chairman  
Hong Kong Boating Industry  
Association



**Y P Loke**  
Chairman  
Singapore Boating Industry  
Association



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Chairman  
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**Pathways to Propulsion Decarbonisation in the  
Recreational Marine Industry**

Presenter



**Keynote Speaker**

## **Darren Vaux**

President, ICOMIA  
International Council of Marine  
Industry Associations

Darren Vaux is President of ICOMIA, the trade association representing the global recreational marine industry. He is also a Life Member, past President and current Director of the Boating Industry Association of Australia, and Chairman of the Ministerial Maritime Advisory Council in Australia. In his private capacity, Darren is also Owner and Managing Director of the Empire Marinas Group, and was the first franchisee of Freedom Boat Club in Australia.

With over 35 years' experience in the property and marina industries, Darren has a deep understanding of government policy frameworks in the marine industry and is passionate about sharing and using this expertise to drive change through embracing financial and environmental sustainability, technology and innovation.

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**Advocacy in Asia: Boating on the Agenda**

Moderator

**Industry Roundtable:  
Collaborative Engagement in Asia**

Moderator



**Conference Chairman**

## Joe Lynch

Chief Executive Officer, ICOMIA  
International Council of Marine Industry  
Associations

Joe Lynch is Chief Executive Officer of ICOMIA. Prior to joining ICOMIA in 2023, Joe founded a consultancy specialising in business development, commercial and marketing strategies in the leisure, tourism and hospitality industries. His professional experience includes holding senior executive positions in the marine industry with expertise in both inland and coastal charter operations and has helped a number of charities and associations with their membership and engagement strategies including the Royal Yachting Association in the UK.

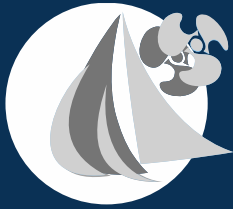
Joe is a keen water-sports enthusiast and regularly competes in yacht racing from the South Coast of England.

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Maritime Singapore's  
Decarbonisation Initiatives  
Presenter



## Ng Bingrong

Director, Decarbonisation Planning &  
Infrastructure  
Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore  
*Singapore*

Ng Bingrong is Director (Decarbonisation Planning and Infrastructure) at the Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore. He began his career in the Housing and Development Board (HDB) and has been involved in Smart and Sustainable development in the Built Environment since 2006. He is currently seconded to the Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) from HDB.

As Director (Decarbonisation Planning & Infrastructure), Bingrong is driving the decarbonisation of Ports and Harbour Craft to support Singapore's net-zero targets by 2050. He is driving the development of the Maritime Decarbonisation Infrastructure Master Plan, Net-Zero Emission Plans for MPA and Maritime Singapore, creating Enablers to support domestic decarbonisation efforts, and developing Enterprises to seize opportunities for Green Growth. One of the key initiatives is the electrification of harbour craft.

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**Sustainable Propulsion Systems for the Future**  
Presenter



## **Dr Grant Suzuki PhD**

Chief of Technology  
Marine Innovation Engineering  
Yamaha Motor Corporation USA  
*U.S.A*

Dr Grant Suzuki holds the position of Chief of Technology, Marine Innovation Engineering, at the Yamaha U.S. Marine Business Unit. With a rich background spanning over two decades in applied science and business development, Grant leads Yamaha's Marine Innovation Engineering teams toward the realization of the company's C.A.S.E. (Connectivity, Autonomous operations, Integrated Services and Electrification), advanced vehicle and SDG strategy. His profound expertise is instrumental in steering Yamaha toward pioneering advancements aimed at enhancing boater experiences through the augmentation of core product lines.

Holding a doctoral degree in Applied Physics, Grant's international journey allowed him to navigate through diverse landscapes, including stints in Germany, the UK, Denmark and Japan, underscoring his global perspective and adaptability.

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**Sustainable Propulsion Systems for the Future**  
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## **Austin Murashima**

Department Manager, Marine Engine  
Advanced Development  
Yamaha Motor Co. Ltd. Japan  
*Japan*

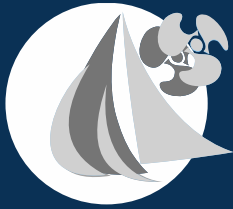
Austin Murashima holds the position of Department Manager of Marine Engine Advanced Development at Yamaha Motor Co., Ltd. in Japan. With a career spanning over 20 years in engineering at Yamaha Motor, he is a seasoned specialist in Internal Combustion Engines (ICE) with a profound understanding and enthusiasm for snowmobiles and outboard powertrains.

Among his recent achievements is the development of a hydrogen outboard prototype showcased at the 2024 Miami International Boat Show. A passionate sailor since his school years, he participated in FJ and 470 class sailing competitions.

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**Sustainable Propulsion Systems for the Future**  
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## **Kash Kihira**

Department Manager  
Marine Certification  
Yamaha Motor Co. Ltd. Japan  
*Japan*

Kash Kihira holds the position of Department Manager of Marine Products Certification at Yamaha Motor Co., Ltd. in Japan. With a career spanning over two decades at Yamaha Marine, he began as an overseas sales representative for Yamaha outboards in the Latin American market. He held various roles in sales and product planning, including assignments as an expatriate in Brazil and The Netherlands. A recent achievement of his includes the planning and launch of the Helm Master EX full maneuverability system.

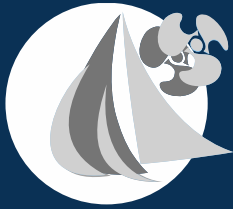
In his role as Department Manager, Kash is actively involved in the certification of Yamaha Marine Products, including certifications from the US EPA, CARB and EU RCD. He is also engaged in advocacy efforts with recent contributions to the Pathway to Propulsion Decarbonization in the Recreational Marine Industry through IMEC/ICOMIA.

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**The ISO Experience: Being Comfortable with  
Standards in Marina Management and Operations**

Presenter

**The Pivot Towards Sustainability**

Moderator



## Oscar Siches, CMP

International Organisation of  
Standardisation (ISO)

*Spain*

Oscar Siches is an internationally recognised consultant in marina design and operations and a specialist in customised marina design. He is Partner and manager of two marinas in Palma de Mallorca.

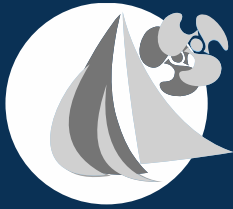
A Certified Marina Professional, Oscar is a member of the ICOMIA Marinas Committee, a member of the PIANC Recreational Navigation Committee, a Convenor of TC228 WG8 “yacht harbours” at the ISO organisation and a founding member of the Global Marina Institute, where he served 6 years as director. He is also a founding member of the Asia Pacific Superyacht Association.

In 2021, Oscar was awarded the first ICOMIA Gold Cleat for life dedication to the industry.

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**The Pivot Towards Sustainability**

Panelist

**Ocean Stewardship and Clean Boating**

Moderator



## **Stephen Beng**

Head, ESG Strategy

Phillip Capital Management (S) Ltd

*Singapore*

Stephen Beng spearheads sustainable investing strategy for Phillip Capital Management. He leads corporate sustainability and the development and deployment of the ESG integrated investment framework for the Group. He is responsible for ESG research, portfolio and risk management processes that affirm Phillip Capital's stewardship commitments and advance positive planetary outcomes.

Concurrently, he is Chair of "Friends of the Marina park Community" – a public-private-people partnership that promotes the sustainable use and stewardship of Singapore's natural blue spaces and supports ocean-dependent communities. He is Chair of Raffles Marina Conservation Committee and Vice-Chair of CFA DEI (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion) Code Singapore Working Group.

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## Peter Jacops

Eco-Creator  
WAWA Creations  
*Thailand*

Peter Jacops is CEO of WAWA Creations™ LLP. An ex-merchant marine chief engineer officer with over 20 years' experience in yacht survey and safety standard, Peter's passion lies in creating accessible and innovative products, exemplified by his initiation of the SV14.org accessible sailing boat project.

WAWA Creations specializes in sustainable nautical products, prioritizing inclusive design, with manufacturing capabilities in Thailand, Sri Lanka, and Singapore. Winner of the esteemed Skal Asian Area Sustainable Award 2023, WAWA Creations™ exclusively use HDPE for its lightweight and eco-friendly nature. Being 100% recyclable, it reduces the carbon footprint fivefold compared to aluminum, which addresses the boat industry's Achilles' heel in recycling.

As a collective of passionate and innovative entrepreneurs deeply connected to boats and the aquatic world, WAWA Creations' commitment to sustainability drives them to integrate recycled and eco-friendly materials into their designs combined with emission-free propulsions.

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**Green Mobility for Sustainable Cities**

Moderator



## **Dr Sanjay C. Kuttan**

Chief Technology Officer  
Global Centre for Maritime Decarbonisation  
*Singapore*

Dr Sanjay Kuttan is Chief Technology Officer at the Global Centre for Maritime Decarbonisation (GCMD), in Singapore. Prior to joining GCMD, he was Executive Director of the Singapore Maritime Institute after two years as Programme Director/Senior Scientist at the Energy Research Institute, Nanyang Technological University. In the private sector, he has been Managing Director at DNVGL-Energy, Director of Industry Development at the Energy Market Authority, in management consulting with McKinsey, and various roles in the oil, gas and energy sectors.

Dr Kuttan is currently a council member of the Sustainable Energy Association of Singapore (2011), a member of MTI's Pro-Enterprise Panel (2019). In 2020, he was also appointed to the Management Committee of Ecolabs, The Centre of Innovation for Energy, Advisory Board for Q1 Square and District Councilor for the Central Singapore Community Development Council.

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**Green Mobility for Sustainable Cities**  
Panelist



## Max Tan

Chief Executive Officer  
Haphicraft  
*Singapore*

Max Tan is CEO of Haphicraft Singapore and Managing Director of DK Tankers Pte Ltd. In 2024, Max will be launching Haphicraft, a series of Greentech boats equipped with the revolutionary Earthflux Microgrid. Their Earthflux Microgrid technology was a Runner-up in the Innovation Competition held by the Maritime North Cluster Germany in 2022, as part of the ZeroEmission@Berth Project.

Previously an oil trader in the hydrocarbon industry, in a career spanning 17 years, Max has worked with commodity giants such as Shell, Total and Trafigura. He has today, turned towards creating green solutions for the maritime industry, bringing renewable energy into marine transportation.

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## **Dr Daniel He**

Co-Founder  
The Kinetic Option  
*Singapore*

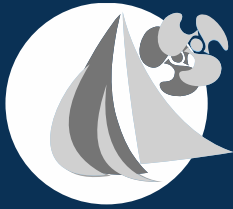
Dr Daniel He is the co-founder of The Kinetic Option (TKO), a Singapore-based company specialising in electric drivetrains and batteries for small marine craft. Prior to starting The Kinetic Option, he was the cofounder of the Lo & Behold Group and a consultant at Monitor Group.

A physician with a Masters in Emergency Medicine, Dr He is the current President of Multirotor Association of Singapore (MRAS) and sits on the CAAS Unmanned Aircraft Advisory Panel. He feels most at home on or under the water and is passionate about enjoying the oceans in a sustainable way.

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Ocean Stewardship and Clean Boating  
Panelist



## Wade Pearce

Founder / Director  
SG Marine Guide / Thai Marine Guide  
*Singapore*

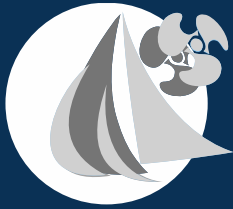
Wade Pearce is founder of the online boating directories SG Marine Guide and Thai Marine Guide, and Next Tide, a yachting and maritime consultancy. He founded the inaugural Singapore Yachting Festival (SYF) and the Southeast Asia Yachting Conference in 2023, where he now serves as a consultant for SYF as well as the Thailand International Boat Show. He has previously held the role of Commercial Director at the Singapore and Thailand Yacht Shows until 2020. Prior to relocating to Singapore, Wade has been involved in the watersports industry in Hong Kong and China,

Wade actively engages in the Singapore boating community by hosting events like the quarterly Grow Boating Singapore gatherings and the Boaters Against Plastic campaign to support Singapore's islands. With an extensive network in Asia, Wade delivers valuable insights on yachting and maritime markets to government entities and international brands seeking to venture into or enhance their initiatives.

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## Chester Zhikai Gan

Conservation Manager (Oceans)  
World Wildlife Fund Singapore  
*Singapore*

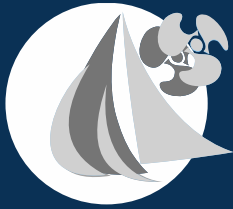
Chester Gan currently leads the Marine Conservation programme in WWF - Singapore. His key focus is in identifying, developing and implementing both local and regional marine conservation projects, particularly in the Coral Triangle and the Singapore - Karimata Straits. Working closely with key stakeholders and communities in the Coral Triangle and in local waters to tackle biodiversity loss and climate change, Chester handles projects around marine protected areas, habitat restoration and fisheries and has previously led the Responsible Seafood Programme in WWF - Singapore.

Chester has a Bachelor's degree in Life Sciences from the National University of Singapore and an M.Sc. in Marine Environment and Resources from the Marine Environment consortium (MER). Armed with extensive knowledge regarding concepts of sustainability in the marine field such as aquaculture, he has worked extensively in research prior to joining WWF - Singapore

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**Klaas Jan Teule**  
Leader, Coral Triangle Programme  
World Wildlife Fund Singapore  
*Indonesia*

Klaas Jan Teule is Leader of WWF's Coral Triangle Programme (WWF-CTP), responsible for leading a regional team of experts to protect the natural resources of the Coral Triangle - the world's most biodiverse marine ecoregion. WWF-CTP works closely with the Coral Triangle Initiative for Coral Reefs, Fisheries and Food Security (CTI-CFF), a multi-lateral government platform led by Malaysia, Philippines, Indonesia, East Timor, Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands. He was previously Conservation Director and is a founding member of several regional WWF programmes. With 21 years of experience in advancing policy, innovation and resource mobilization to protect biodiversity for nature and for people, Klaas believes the way forward lies in cross-boundary approaches, both in the physical realm of pristine marine protected areas as well as through inter-disciplinary pathways to innovation, knowledge sharing and increasing capacity.

Based in Jakarta, Klaas is also senior advisor to WWF-Indonesia, providing support on strategic fundraising and partnership development, and mentoring of senior staff.

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Setting Sail for the Boating Life  
Moderator



**Dr. Jouko Huju DBA**  
GMBA Finland  
Global Marine Business Advisors  
*Finland*

Dr Huju assumed the helm as CEO of the Finnish Marine Industries Federation (Finnboat) in 1996 and served as Chairman of the Board upon his retirement. While at Finnboat, he served in the Executive Committee of ICOMIA, and as its President for four years.

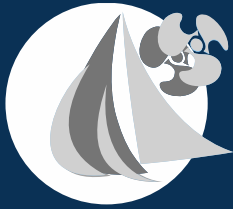
Dr Huju was one of the leading proponents of the formation of the European Boating Industry (EBI) . In addition to being EBI council member for three years, he has also served on the Board of the International Marine Certification Institute (IMCI) and is a founding member of Global Marine Business Advisors (GMBA). Dr Huju is an Honorary Member of ICOMIA and Finnboat.

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Panelist



**Ronnie Wang**  
Managing Partner  
Yachting Encounters Asia  
*Hong Kong*

Ronnie Wang is Managing Partner and founding member of Hong Kong-based Yachting Encounters Asia, specializing in luxury yacht brokerage and custom-build projects and is also Senior Yacht Broker with Moon Ocean Yachts, China. Ronnie is currently the Deputy Secretary of the Shenzhen Boating Industry Association.

Ronnie began his career in 2006 with the NDA Group, a marina and industry development consultancy, and has worked closely with marina and waterfront project investors as well as boatbuilders and equipment manufacturers wishing to expand into the Asia market. He is a passionate sailor himself and continues to build strong ties with international regatta organisers and yacht clubs in China, Hong Kong, Europe, New Zealand and the US.

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The Economic Value of Boating  
Moderator



## Maryanne Edwards

GMBA Australia-NZ  
Global Marine Business Advisors  
*Australia / New Zealand*

Maryanne Edwards is a Consultant with Global Marine Business Advisors with extensive international and domestic business development experience.

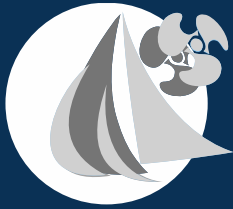
Maryanne is the current Chair of the Australian Marine Industry Awards and is on the boards of the Noosa Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Noosa.

She has successfully led the Australian Marine Export Group and Superyacht Australia as CEO and has also served as a board member of the International Superyacht Society, Chair of the ICOMIA Exporters Committee, and has been involved in various Australian industry and government working groups.

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**The Economic Value of Boating**  
Presenter - Panelist



## **Ewa Stachurska**

Vice President Marketing  
Simpson Marine Group  
*Hong Kong*

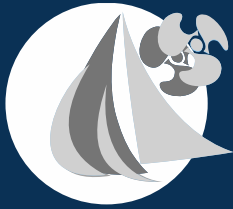
Ewa Stachurska is Vice President Marketing of the Simpson Marine Group. Her role at Simpson Marine Group / San Lorenzo Asia-Pacific concentrates on establishing and implementing Simpson Marine's corporate communications across Asia and internationally, driving powerful marketing campaigns for Simpson Marine's diverse portfolio of yacht brands (Sanlorenzo, Bluegame, Nautor Swan, Fairline among others) and services.

Ewa is a Board Member of the Hong Kong Boating Association representing the industry for Charter and proactively works in the Boat Show working group. She also represents HKBIA in the ICOMIA Asia Working Group. In her personal capacity, she volunteers as a Role Model at Inspiring Girls Hong Kong Charity Organisation and is a Mentor in 2023/24 Cohort at the Women's Foundation Hong Kong.

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**Sam Do**  
Founder / Advisor  
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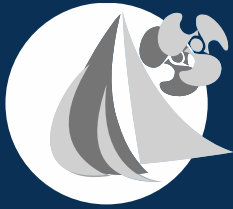
Sam Do is Founder / Advisor of Saigon Yacht and Marina (SYM), a leading leisure boat builder, marina consultancy and dealer in luxury yachts in Vietnam.

An entrepreneur at heart, Sam is Founder / Managing Director of DLV Corporation, supplier of industrial equipment and HSE systems for offshore marine and manufacturing industries in Vietnam, and Co-Founder / Executive Chairman of Pandora Training Academy, the country's first vocational academy for marine, aviation and service industries. He is also Chief Strategy Officer of Airman/Puritak, the first Vietnamese air quality monitor and air filter systems.

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## Jonathan Sit

Regional General Manager  
Marina Division  
ONE°15 Marina / SUTL Enterprise  
*Singapore*

Jonathan Sit is Regional General Manager, Marina Division at SUTL. He spearheads the Group's marinas operations, business developments and events management. In his business development role, he identifies and evaluates potential marina properties and sites globally, conducting financial and site feasibility analyses, and strategic acquisitions to expand the ONE°15 Marina portfolio. Prior to this appointment, Jonathan served as the General Manager at ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove from 2020-2023.

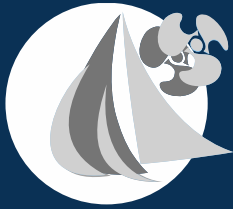
During his tenure at ONE°15 Marina Sentosa Cove, Jonathan has led several notable projects, with the significant accomplishment of overseeing a marina upgrade and reconfiguration, which involved an investment of S\$7 million. This initiative aimed to better accommodate superyachts and enhance the marina's facilities. Under his leadership, the marina received recognition, including the International Marina of the Year award in 2021 and 2023, and the Platinum 5 Gold Anchor Accreditation in 2022 from the Marina Industries Association.

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## Peter Craven

Founder / Director  
Marinas Indonesian Investment  
Group (MIIG)  
*Indonesia*

Peter Craven is the Founder/CEO of Marinas Indonesia Investment Group (MIIG) and has spent the past 30 years living and working in Southeast Asia, most of which has been in Indonesia. Peter has held executive positions and advisory roles in a range of Indonesian businesses, and his entrepreneurial skills are being applied to further business-development initiatives and advise on how best to enter or capitalise on their current investments in Indonesia. He recently retired as a long-serving Director of the Australian Indonesian Business Council, a key liaison between government and private sectors.

Over recent years, one of Peter's sectors of focus has been developing marina projects and assisting government to shape their regulations pertaining to leisure boating. With the ultimate objective to provide the infrastructure needed to grow the leisure boating industry in Indonesia, he recently created Marinas Indonesia Investment Group, a JV with Jakarta based private equity, focused on financing, and developing marinas together with internationally recognised stakeholders.

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## **Kenta Inaba**

President & Owner  
Superyacht Logistics Japan /  
GMBA Japan  
*Japan*

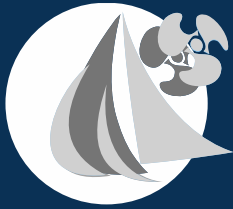
Kenta Inaba is President and owner of Superyacht Logistics Japan and runs Yachtzoo Tokyo. He is a key promoter of the superyacht industry in Japan where he works to ease regulations for visiting yachts. Since 2023, he has also been a member of Global Marine Business Advisors (GMBA).

A sailor since his youth, Inaba sails regularly on SHK Scallywag yachts, the 100 ft supermaxi and Orma 60 trimaran. In his 20s, he moved from Japan to Florida where he was involved in designing the Lauderdale Marine Center before earning an MBA at University of Miami. After returning to Japan, he worked for insurance and financial companies, most recently Morgan Stanley in Tokyo from 2007 - 2015.

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**Andrew Scott**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Boating Industry Association  
Australia  
*Australia*

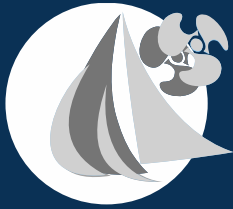
Andrew Scott is Chief Executive Officer of the Boating Industry Association of Australia. He brings extensive marine industry experience and a proven track record as its Chief Financial Officer. With over 35 years of experience in accounting and general management across diverse industries including hospitality, mining, and farming, Andrew provides the BIA with a solid financial foundation. His deep understanding of the boating industry is further demonstrated by his ten-year tenure as General Manager of the Sunrunner Sport Cruisers Group of Companies with responsibilities in the importation and marketing of US brands of power craft, dealer/distribution management, operations and administration. Since 2010 he has operated as a CFO/GM for a variety of clients in the boating and surf sectors across Australia and the USA.

Beyond his professional achievements, Andrew is an avid watersports enthusiast and boat owner who enjoys spending time on the water with his family.

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## Lawrence Chow

Chairman  
Hong Kong Boating Industry Association  
*Hong Kong*

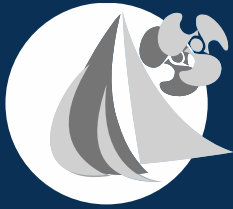
Lawrence Chow is the Chairman of the Hong Kong Boating Industry Association (HKBIA) and leads HKBIA in engaging in regular dialogue with the Hong Kong government and playing an integral role in building a strong local and international profile for the Hong Kong boating industry. He is also the Chairman of the ICOMIA Asia Working Group which seeks to build collaborative engagement with fellow members and industry stakeholders in Asia.

Lawrence heads the operations of his family-owned business, China Pacific Marine, a long-established boat and engine dealership representing brands such as Jeanneau, Boston Whaler, Zodiac Milpro, Yanmar, and Honda Marine. Qualified in Aviation Architecture, Lawrence has a keen eye for design and with his combined set of experience, knowledge and passion, hopes to help protect and develop urban waterfronts around the world.

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## Y P Loke

Chairman  
Singapore Boating Industry Association  
*Singapore*

YP Loke is Chairman of the Singapore Boating Industry Association (SBIA). He has served on the Executive Committee of ICOMIA and in 2023, he was conferred an Honorary Membership.

YP is the current President of the General Committee at Raffles Marina, and a member of the Advisory Board at ONE°15 Marina Sentosa. He serves as a Council Member of the National Maritime Safety at Sea Council (NMSSC) and co-chairs the Singapore Maritime Port Authority (MPA) Pleasure Craft Safety Working Group. He is also an active member of the Friends of Marine Park Community. A founding member of the Asia Pacific Superyacht Association, YP is recognised as an Honorary Member. YP is Managing Director of Spinnaker Marine and a Consultant at Global Marine Business Advisors.

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## Indhra Kaushal Rajapaksa

Chairman  
Chamber of Marine Industries Sri Lanka  
*Sri Lanka*

Indhra Kaushal Rajapaksa is Chairman of the Chamber of Marine Industries of Sri Lanka. He is the Group Managing Director of Sea Leisure Group engaged in manufacturing, exporting and charter of luxury yachts, and also the Director of W@W Onliner Pvt. Ltd, an online platform for waste management.

Kaushal also holds positions as Chairman of the Polymer Advisory Council of the Ministry of Industries, President of The Management Club, Vice President of the National Chamber of Exporters, Vice President of the Confederation for Small and Ministry of Industries Medium Scale Industries (COSMI). In addition, he is also the President of the Sri Lanka Pakistan Business Council, Executive Council Member of the Sri Lanka China Business Council and Vice President of Sri Lanka Singapore Business Council.

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## **Dr Kim Choong- Hwan**

**Special Advisor**  
**Korea Marine Industry Association**  
*South Korea*



Dr Kim Choong-Hwan is a Specialist at the Gyeonggi Provincial Government and Special Advisor of the Korea Marine Industry Association. He is also the General Manager of the Korea International Boat Show (KIBS), which was established in 2008 and has organised the Korean Pavilion at the METS Trade Show since 2013.

In 2016, he led the establishment of EDUmarine (Korea Marine Education Academy), an institute for marine engine and FRP hull training and Korean leisure boat maintenance certification. In addition to holding the position of General Manager of EDUmarine, Dr Kim holds the position of General Manager of Edumarine as well as the Korea Boating Forum which he launched in 2016.

Dr Kim has published the Korean Boating Guidebook and Understanding the Leisure Marine Industry, and is a regular contributor in Hyundai Haiyang, Korea's largest marine magazine since 2022. He has presented at the 2018 Taiwan International Boat Show Conference and the 2021 Taiwan International Ocean Forum.

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