Becoming an MACN member

A CASE FOR BUSINESS

About MACN
The Maritime Anti-Corruption Network (MACN) provides a world-leading forum for maritime businesses to promote integrity, ethics and to contribute to the elimination of corrupt practices. MACN is composed of vessel-owning companies within the main sectors of the maritime industry and other companies in the industry, including cargo owners and service providers.

MEMBERSHIP PROCESS:
All MACN applicants are interviewed by the Network’s Chair and reviewed by the Steering Committee before membership is approved. Your company’s senior management support is critical in this process. When approved, members are provided access to our platform and tools.
MACNs model to address corruption works. MACN has become one of the preeminent examples of an industry-led collective action to eliminate corruption. By working in partnership with the industry, governments, and civil society we have successfully addressed corruption risks through country-specific actions in locations as diverse as Nigeria, Indonesia, Egypt, India, and Argentina.

**NIGERIA**
Start date: 2012

**Focus:** We have expanded our collective action program in West Africa and strengthened our current engagement in the region through face-to-face integrity training, harmonizing standard operating procedures for vessel and cargo clearance in ports, and establishing grievance reporting mechanisms.

**SUEZ CANAL, EGYPT**
Start date: 2015

**Focus:** Tackle facilitation demands during Suez Canal transits through a collective “Say No” campaign.
**Results:** Facilitation payment demands have significantly decreased or even been eliminated. The campaign has directly improved the operating environment for frontline staff by reducing health and safety incidents during transit.

**INDIA**
Start date: 2018

**Focus:** The Indian government has made anti-corruption measures a priority. In 2018, MACN, the Government, UNGC, and key local stakeholders piloted a port integrity campaign. This is now being expanded across India.

**ARGENTINA**
Start date: 2014

**Focus:** Redrafting regulations for approval of a vessel’s holds or tanks for the loading of agricultural, developing a new IT system for processing and registering hold/tank inspections.
**Results:** 90% reduction of corrupt demands achieved. More efficient and transparent port clearance system implemented.

**INDONESIA**
Start date: 2015

**Focus:** Improving container tracking IT systems, promoting an e-governance system for cashless export licenses, integrating whistleblowing into existing procedures, establishing a stakeholder discussion forum, and raising awareness of laws and regulations in Indonesia’s largest container port, Tanjung Priok.
**Results:** Improved Port Governance - upgraded container tracking system leading to less paperwork, better transparency, and improved efficiency.

**Achievements since 2011**

- **MACN Membership continues to grow**: 130+
- **Of Global Shipping Tonnage is represented by MACN**: >30%
- **Anonymous reports of corrupt demands received to date**: 30k+
- **Safety related reports received to date**: 400+
- **Port & Government officials trained in Argentina, Nigeria & Indonesia**: 1,500+
1. Integrity
Enhance your brand by operating with integrity

Belonging to MACN shows employees they are part of an exclusive group of companies that demand a high standard of business ethics in their operations. They are more likely to perform their job duties at a higher level and are also more inclined to stay loyal to that organization.

2. Compliance
Get valuable tools and guidance fit for purpose to comply with ever-tightening anti-corruption laws

Risks associated with corruption have gone up. The public and international organizations such as the UN and OECD, are demanding greater integrity and transparency, which has resulted in a tightening of anti-corruption legislation across the globe. Companies risk huge fines, debarment, and costly monitoring schemes in addition to high legal costs during any investigation.

3. Reduced costs
Reduce implementation cost for an anti-corruption program

MACN has a platform with tools adaptable for your own internal anti-corruption program, saving costs for your company on implementing and designing a bespoke anti-corruption program. For example, a tailored eLearning platform can cost USD 100,000. MACN is currently designing a new eLearning platform for onshore and offshore employees at no extra cost for network members.

4. Safety
Create a safer working environment for crew by mitigating operational risks and delays

Member companies are provided with onboard tools and collateral to show they will not engage in corrupt activity. This reduces stress and creates a safer working environment for crew.

Quote from Master: “I am so happy to be in this company as they are using MACN reports and following required procedures. In the time of my contract, I did not notice any corruption demands. I am so proud of it.”

5. Collaboration
Share best practice: with peers, supply chain partners, and customers on concrete issues

Networking and member best-practice sharing are among the most appreciated membership activities. At our two meetings per year, and our frequent working group calls, you can have valuable input on concrete issues and seek inspiration from other likeminded companies.

6. Collective Power
Join a collective voice to tackle corruption for a better maritime industry

In many parts of the world it is difficult for a company to fight corruption single-handedly. By joining MACN, you can tackle corrupt demands as a collective group, making the maritime industry more efficient and a better place to work.
The bottom line

The following case study is based on an MACN member’s GAP analysis, conducted prior to joining the network.

STATUS QUO

COST OF CORRUPTION

A fleet of 20 vessels trading worldwide could potentially cost around US$500 per vessel per month in non-cash facilitation, alcohol, cigarettes, ships stores etc.

$120k per annum

MACN ROUTE

COST OF REFUSAL

What does that look like for your organisation?
– a 0.35% increase in OPEX or
– over 40 days of crew salary or
– or 26 days of OPEX for 1 vessel

40% SAVING

$70k per annum*

*How is this costed?
– 10 x West Africa calls @ $3000 per OPA
– 10 x Suez Transits @ $500 per OPA onboard rep
– 3 days of lost time attributable to ABC related issues @ $10k per day
– MACN membership costs

Onboarding process

Download our membership application form by clicking the button below. Eligibility criteria and membership fees are outlined in the form. Complete and return the form to begin our onboarding process. We will be in touch with next steps to ensure your organisation makes the most of MACNs membership benefits.

More information

For further information on MACN, please refer to our website for up-to-date news, publications, and resources.

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