

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear **Members of SNAMES**,

As we reach the end of 2020, I want to take the opportunity to reflect on this unprecedented year and share some perspectives for the year ahead. It has been a challenging year for all, individuals and companies alike, with the ongoing impact of the virus impacting our industry and the lives of all.

Notwithstanding, I am extremely proud of what the SNAMES Council has achieved this year.

The Council has demonstrated great resilience in adapting to a new environment as well as a new normal way of working. We continue to engage various stakeholders to contribute to the maritime transformation underway through various collaborations, partnerships and support for the industry.

The Council has shown agility and proactiveness in striving to provide added value to our members. This year, the SNAMES' technical team has worked hard to develop and launch the LNG Primer course in partnership with Ngee Ann Polytechnic. The course was offered to our members and the public. We are now moving into the second run of the course which will be launched in 2021.

The Council has also reaffirmed our Society's commitment to decarbonization and digitalization through various technical webinars and papers in our SNAMES' 39th Publication. Please look out for our SNAMES 40th Publication which will contain whole new content and outlook covering the topics of interest to our members and our friends in the industry.

To all the members of our society, I would like to express the Council's sincere appreciation for your kind support. Your commitment to our society and trust in us have empowered the Council to navigate the headwinds in this challenging year. 2021 looks to be an equally challenging year. As a society and being in a profession which has experienced numerous other industry challenges, we are determined to overcome 2021 as we have 2020. We will transform our society as our industry undergoes disruptive change, and we will emerge stronger.

To the members of the current SNAMES Council, thank you for your tireless contributions, commitment and dedication, support and passion in undertaking the transformation of our Society!

Last but not least, no message in this industry this year should end without paying tribute to the seafarers across the world. These men and women who are the collateral victims of the pandemic. Our thoughts are with them and their families.

To all our members and friends, we wish you a restful festive season, a period for you to recharge for the coming year. I look forward to seeing all of you again in person in 2021.

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