



# INTERTANKO

## ASIAN REGIONAL PANEL

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### 1. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The overall aim of the INTERTANKO Asian Regional Panel is to provide an open forum for Members and Associate Members to promote the activities and priorities of the regional membership in relation to the Association and to boost the participation of Asia's tanker shipping interests in the activities of the Association. To this end, the Panel should:

- 1.1 Promote the activities, priorities and concerns of the regional tanker community relative to the overall activities of the Association.
- 1.2 Facilitate communication and promote the sharing of experiences between Members and with the Association
- 1.3 Act as a catalyst for boosting the participation and involvement of the Members based in the region in the activities of the Association.
- 1.4 Act as resource group for INTERTANKO bodies, establishing priorities and raising matters of concern to the regional tanker community.
- 1.5 Review regional legislative proposals and activities affecting the whole membership and address tanker issues peculiar to the region.
- 1.6 Assist the Association's cooperation with industry, governmental and environmental bodies in the region.
- 1.7 Promote the policies and strategies of the Association in the region and the interaction between INTERTANKO and the wider industry, to achieve the best conditions for tanker owners and promote safety at sea and the protection of the environment.

#### 2. MEMBERSHIP

The INTERTANKO Asian Regional Panel is an open forum for all Members and Associate Members of the Association, constituted by and responsible to INTERTANKO.

#### 3. CHAIR / VICE-CHAIRS

In consultation with the Executive Committee, the Panel will nominate the Chair and up to three Vice Chairs for election by the INTERTANKO Council. They shall normally be elected for a period of two years and may serve for no more than three terms of two years.

The Panel should endeavour to achieve a balance in the geographical spread of the Chair and Vice-Chairs (N-E Asia, S-E Asia and Japan). The composition will be periodically reviewed so as to continue to reflect the balance of expertise and representation required.

#### 4. MEETINGS

The Panel is to meet as necessary, generally twice a year at venues or online, to be decided by the Chairman and the INTERTANKO Secretariat with a view to maximise Member engagement.

#### 5. TRAVEL EXPENSES

The travel expenses of the Panel's membership should be paid for by the member company.

#### 6. TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Terms of the Reference for the Panel shall be approved by INTERTANKO's Council

#### 7. SECRETARIAL

The INTERTANKO Office undertakes the secretarial and administrative tasks for the Panel.

#### **8. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Panel should pay due regard to relevant work being done by INTERTANKO Committees and guide its activities in line with the policies endorsed by the Council.