PROGRAM PREVIEW and CALL FOR CONTENT
"How the Future is Shaping the Maritime Industry"
Abstracts for SMC 2024 are invited and will be accepted starting 18 December 2023.

The 2024 SNAME Maritime Convention (SMC 2024) will take place on 14-16 October 2024 at the Hilton Norfolk, The Main in Norfolk, Virginia, USA.

This meeting is an exciting opportunity for engineers, naval architects, equipment suppliers, and manufacturing and construction experts from all fields to collaborate and learn about how emerging technologies are shaping the future direction of the maritime industry. It is also an excellent forum for suppliers to display equipment and discuss modern solutions their company can provide to meet current and future industry requirements. While at the Convention, take time to experience the Norfolk waterfront and its restaurants and shops, or visit the Hampton Roads Naval Museum/Nauticus Museum and the USS Wisconsin, BB-64.

Your input and ideas are needed for this premier event of the international community for maritime and ocean professionals. SNAME members and attendees come from all over the world and they make up one of the strongest cross-functional organizations, representing a cross-section of the maritime community.

The theme for SMC 2024 is *How the Future is Shaping the Maritime Industry*. Potential content includes, but is not limited to material on the following topics:

- **Environmental Regulations: How Do they Affect:**
  - Design
  - Construction
  - Operations
- **Shipbuilding and Repair/Production/Manufacturing**
  - Production Pace
  - Capacity
  - Labor Skill Deficiencies
  - Supply Chain Issues
- **Offshore Renewable Energy Industry**
  - Regulations and Standards
  - Design Approaches
  - Supply Chain Challenges
- **Marine Engineering**
  - Alternative Fuel Challenges
  - Energy Storage Technologies

- **Maritime Operations**
  - The Effects of EEDI/EEXI
  - Zero Emission Transport
  - Intermodal Operations and Issues
  - AI and Autonomy in Support of Optimizing Operations
- **Maritime Safety in the Mid-21st Century**
  - Risk Assessment
  - Intact and Damage Stability
  - Class and Regulations
  - Reliability Design for Autonomous Vessels
- **Green Energy and the Environment**

No matter the type of maritime business, geographical location, or professional activity, the SNAME Maritime Convention is your opportunity to interact with colleagues from all over the world and all segments of the industry.

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Important Dates

Action	Date
ScholarOne is open for abstract submission	Monday, 18 December 2023
Latest date for abstract submission	Monday, 29 January 2024
Authors notified of Technical Program Committee decisions	Monday, 26 February 2024
1st drafts due	Monday, 22 April 2024
1st Draft Reviewer comments returned to authors	Monday, 20 May 2024
2nd drafts due	Monday, 17 June 2024
2nd draft reviewer comments returned to authors	Monday, 08 July 2024
Final draft due	Monday, 22 July 2024
PowerPoint presentations due to the Technical Program Committee	Monday, 23 September 2024

Abstract Submission:

NOTE: The SMC Technical Program Committee expects to accept 30 - 40 abstracts for further development

Papers are welcome for all technical tracks; however, both the Ship Production and Repair and Technical and Research (T&R) Content Types will accept presentation submission. Note that all submissions on ScholarOne are referred to as "manuscripts" and that both paper and presentation-only submissions are subject to the dates shown above.

We also intend to host 3 to 5 interactive, moderated panels to further delve into technological and operational areas of interest such as offshore energy, skilled labor development, STEM, supply chain capacity and production pace, or other areas of interest as discussed above. Abstracts for panel sessions are welcome and may be submitted in accordance with the procedure for a manuscript. When proposing a panel session, be sure to include the name of the person who will moderate the session and the names of recommended panelists. Panel Session moderators will be responsible for recruiting panel members.

When submitting an abstract, in addition to the abstract itself, include the following information:

1. Content Type options:
   - Peer Reviewed Session - Technical Paper
   - Ship Production and Repair Session (paper or presentation)
   - Technical & Research Program Session (paper or presentation) can feature material that is not at the development level required for Peer Review papers and does not fall into the category of either the Ship Production and Repair or Student sessions
   - Student Paper Session (NOTE – SNAME membership is required for student authors by the first draft submission. Student papers must be authored solely by students)
2. Corresponding author's name, email address, and affiliation
3. What topic(s) does your abstract primarily pertain to? You can select more than one topic to describe the intended audience for your paper or presentation. This information will help the committee define tracks for the Convention.

Abstract Requirements:
These requirements are important – acceptance decisions are made based on the quality of the abstract and adherence to these instructions.
   - Must be relevant to the Convention theme
   - Must be at least 500 but generally not more than 1,000 words
   - Single space in Times or Times New Roman 12-point font
   - Adequately describe the material to be covered in the proposed submission: include relevant references

Submission Method

- Abstracts should be submitted via our ScholarOne system. After successfully submitting their abstract authors will receive an automatic acknowledgement with a unique manuscript ID. Authors can use this manuscript ID for all future correspondence.

Additional Information Required at the Time of Abstract Submission

- Also submit via our ScholarOne system:
  - Author Agreement for ALL authors of a manuscript
  - Author bio(s) (length approximately 100 words)

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Abstracts are due not later than Monday, 29 January 2024.

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For questions, please contact snamepapers@sname.org.

For additional information on submission, please visit the SNAME Author Opportunities website.