


LNG as a Marine Fuel Benefits & Challenges



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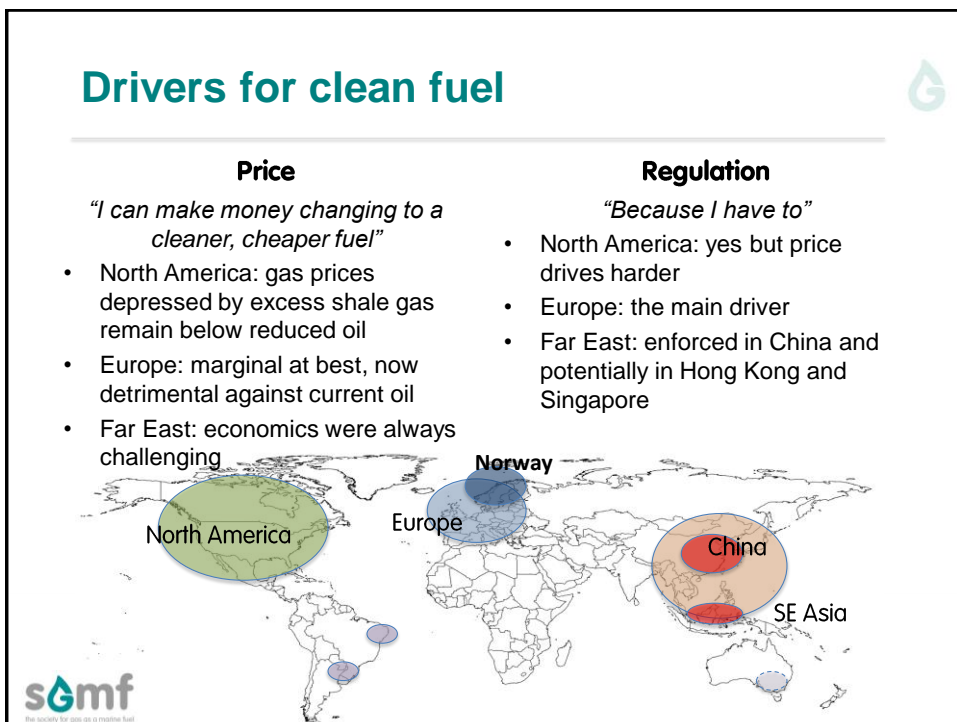
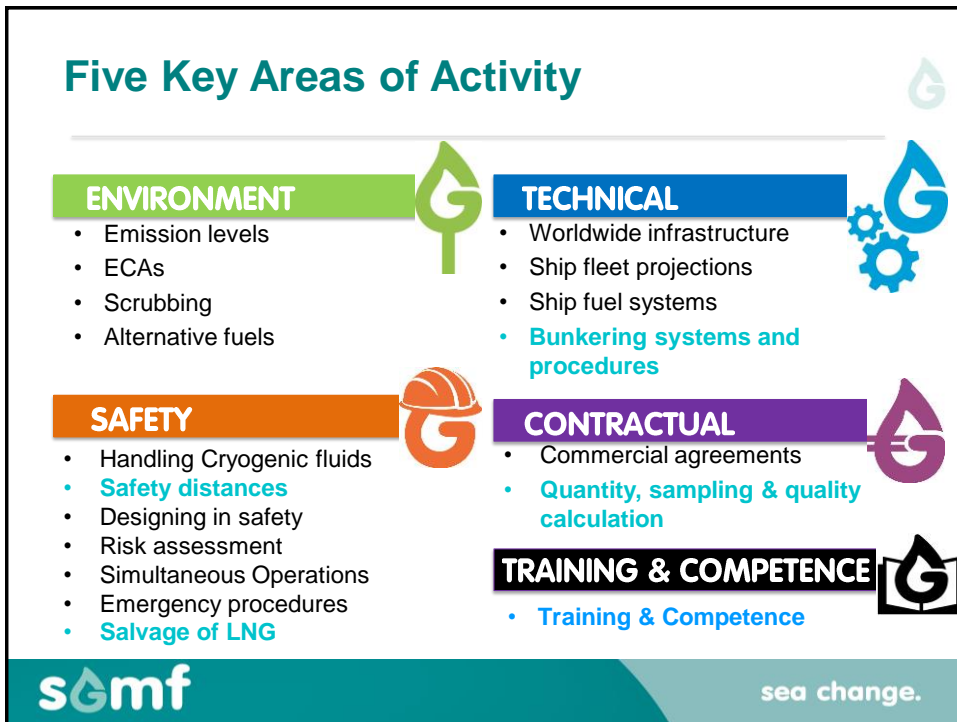
Society for Gas as a Marine Fuel

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Who are SGMF?

- **The Society for Gas as a Marine Fuel is**
 - A non-governmental, non-profit making, industry membership based organization
 - London based
 - 101 members
 - Objective is to establish and encourage the safe and responsible operation of gas fuelled vessels and their fuelling infrastructure
 - SGMF is developing and delivering best practice and guidance on most aspects of the marine gas fuelled industry avoiding duplication and where it matters most
- **As for regulations.....**
 - Gas as Fuel = SGMF + IGF code
 - Gas as Cargo = SIGTTO + IGC code





LNG as a marine fuel



Benefits

- Meets all SECA requirements (SOx)
- Reduces Greenhouse gas emissions (CO2)
- Reduces NOx (meets most NOx ECA requirements)
- Widely available in bulk (via road tanker)
- Acceptable energy density (22 MJ/litre vs oils at 35-38 MJ/litre)
- Becoming widely used as a fuel for other transport applications

Challenges

- LNG is not “cold fuel oil” – hazard issues
- Expense of cryogenic equipment for fuel storage
- Larger fuel tanks leading to loss of cargo space



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Other “clean” marine fuels



Evolution of old fuels

- Distillate
 - Meets SECA requirements
 - Bulk but limited markets
 - Expensive
- Clean diesels
 - Clean HFO
 - Niche fuel (so far)
 - Very limited refinery capacity (now)
- Scrubbers
 - Cleaning dirty fuel
 - Environmental impact
 - Costs of disposing of scrubber waste

Revolution to New fuels

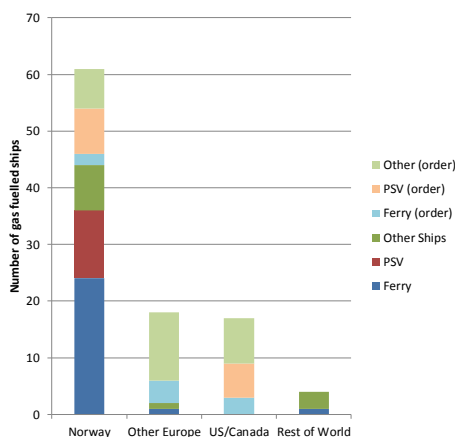
- Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
 - Lacks energy density (9 MJ/litre) – short haul only – few ships
- Ethane
 - More hazardous than LNG
 - Many similar technologies and costs to LNG
- Methanol
 - Toxicity and hazards
 - Low energy density (15 MJ/litre)
 - Low retrofit costs
- Hydrogen
 - Availability
 - Storage hazards

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Status report: ships

- 54 gas fuelled ships in service
- 59 vessels under construction
- Short Sea and Regional ferries currently make up the majority of the LNG fuelled fleet 26 (48%) in operation and 15 (25%) on order.
- Offshore support vessels make up the second largest contingent at 29% and 18% respectively
- Most types of ship now represented by a gas fuelled variant
- 15% of deep sea fleet (LR)
- 1500 Ships (DNV-GL)



- **70,000 ships** - world fleet
- 250 – 2500 in next 5-7 years
- 9000 fold increase in transactions!

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An uncertain future



Now

- Shipping rates low
 - Too much shipping for global trade
 - EU recession, reducing growth in China
- How strong/effective is enforcement?
- Investment difficult
 - Extend ship life by burning distillate
 - Retrofit scrubbers for mid term compliance
 - Build gas fuelled ships for fleet replacement

Future

- IMO step change in fuel sulphur levels in 2020 or 2025
- Worldwide shipping impacted
- New ships required
- What fuel at what price?
- Scrubbers become common place?
- LNG preferred fuel in ECAs?

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