



## Sustainable Maritime Transportation Management and Policies

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Sustainable maritime transportation management is defined as the integration of social and environmental concerns of stakeholders in the business operations of maritime firms, such as shipping companies and port operators. It is recognized as one of the biggest challenges of the 21st century, which is reflected in the increasing number of international regulations such as MARPOL 2020, Energy Efficiency Design Index, Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan, and Ballast Water Management System to curb greenhouse gas emissions or reduce the impact of invasive marine biological species from ship. In addition, self-regulated or market-driven initiatives, technologies, and measures, for instance, ISO 14000, ISO 26000, slow-steaming, cold-ironing, scrubbers, biocide-free paints, and renewable fuel alternatives are increasingly being adopted by shipping companies to lower operating cost, differentiate their services, and reduce the impact of their operations on society and the environment.





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