ASEF Goes into its 12th Year - Changes on Chairmanship and Secretariat

11 November 2026

The Active Shipbuilding Experts' Federation (ASEF) convened its 12th Assembly Meeting on 11 November 2026.

ASEF currently consists of 11 members:

- China Association of the National Shipbuilding Industry
- Colombo Dockyard PLC (Sri Lanka)
- Shipyards Association of India
- Indonesia Shipbuilding and Offshore Association
- The Shipbuilders' Association of Japan
- Korea Offshore & Shipbuilding Association
- Association of Marine Industries of Malaysia
- Turkish Shipbuilders' Association
- Thai Shipbuilding and Repairing Association
- Shipbuilding Industry Corporation (Vietnam)
- Association of Singapore Marine & Offshore Energy Industries

Changes on Chairmanship and Secretariat

ASEF started its operation on 26 November 2015. After a three-year trial period rotating the Chairmanship and Secretariat annually among SAJ, KOSHIPA and CANSI, the rotation cycle was changed to two years. The Assembly decided the change on the Chairmanship and Secretariat, appointing KOSHIPA to take over both roles.

Term	Secretariat	Chairman
2015. 11 - 2016. 10	SAJ	Shigeru Murayama
2016. 11 - 2017. 10	KOSHIPA	Young Joo Seo
2017. 11 - 2018. 10	CANSI	Min Jun Chen
2018. 11 - 2020. 10	SAJ	Yasuhiko Katoh, Tamotsu Saito
2020. 11 - 2022. 10	KOSHIPA	Sung Geun Lee, Sam H Ka
2022. 11 - 2024. 10	CANSI	Wei Sun
2024. 10 - 2026. 11	SAJ	Yoshinori Kanehana, Yukito Higaki
2026. 11 -	**KOSHIPA**	**Sang Kyun Lee**

ASEF has addressed technical matters at IMO, ISO and IACS through its Technical Working Group (TWG) and Sub-Working Groups (SWGs) since obtaining IMO NGO status in 2017.

Current SWGs:
SWG1 Coating; SWG2 Containership Safety; SWG4 GBS/CSR; SWG5 MASS & Cybersecurity; SWG6 Environment; SWG7 Ship Fittings; SWG8 Propulsion & Steering Systems; SWG9 Underwater Radiated Noise; SWG10 Safety of Alternative-Fueled Ships; IWG Sea Trials (ISO-related activities)

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