

On 12 November 2019 the Active Shipbuilding Experts' Federation (ASEF) entered into its 5th Year of activities, holding its 6th Assembly in Osaka, Japan.

Its 10 members have reaffirmed the Organisation structure in force at ASEF from June this year where the appointment was confirmed as follows:

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The past year was the first year after the three year trial period rotating the Chairmanship and the Secretariat among SAJ, KOSHIPA and CANSI each year, with the Chairmanship and the Secretariat now rotating every two years instead of one, with SAJ's Chairmanship and Secretariat in the coming year.

The Technical Working Group(TWG) is structured to be supported by Sub-Working Groups(SWG) dealing with each of the specific technical issues which ASEF is dealing as its activities (SWG1 Coating, SWG2 Containership safety, SWG4 GBS & CSR, SWG5 Mass and Cyber Resilience ,SWG6 Environment, SWG7 Ship Fittings) while ASEF will keep on following other issues either on *ad hoc* basis or by establishing a new Sub-Working Group.

Now with the 2 year extension of the IMO consultative status nearing, ASEF has been so far able to meet the formality requirements, but with the task of enhancing the quality of the activities being actively sought for the coming year onwards, as will be reflected by intensified exchanges with other stakeholders in the marine industry and other related industries which ASEF's is firmly resolved to pursue.

ASEF looks forward to developing deeper association with other association s to further develop the culture of cooperative contribution to the related industries.
