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Technical Lecture Hull Air Lubrication: Impact on Ship Efficiency and Global Decarbonisation

Presented by: Dr Arno Dubois

Date:Monday, 22nd April 2024Time:Refreshments and Domino's Pizza at 19:00, lecture starts at 19:25Venue:BRLSI, 16-18 Queen Square, Bath BA1 2HNOrganiser:Western Joint Branch RINA/IMarESTContact:secretary.wjb@branches.imarest.org



Background: Over the past decade, hull air lubrication has proven itself as a practical and scalable decarbonisation solution for the shipping industry. Air lubrication aims to reduce the frictional resistance of a ship, thereby cutting fuel burn and emissions.

The unique system developed by Silverstream Technologies generates a microbubble carpet through fluid shearing and, since the company's technology came to market, has demonstrated an average of 5-10% net savings as such showing that effective energy saving technologies can be commercialised and scaled rapidly.

This lecture will explore how the technology works, how performance is measured, and what development opportunities lie ahead.

Presenter: Dr Arno Dubois is the Lead Hydrodynamicist at Silverstream Technologies. He is responsible for oversight and delivery of research-based projects aimed to analyse, understand, and improve the Silverstream® System.

His previous experience includes working as an Application Engineer for a simulation software company, specialising in computational fluid dynamics and heat transfer, and numerical and experimental research of hydrodynamic systems as part of his education and PhD research, which has been presented at several international conferences and published in various industry-leading journals.

Registration: We will be running this as a Hybrid Event - Click <u>Here</u> to Register.

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