## Interferry elects four new board directors and new president

Interferry, the trade body representing the global ferry industry, has announced the election of five new board members at its annual general meeting on November 7 – held during Interferry2023, the association's successful 47<sup>th</sup> annual conference that has just concluded in Hobart, Tasmania.

Four directors were appointed for terms of four years: Nicolas Jimenez, president and CEO of BC Ferries; Seamus Murphy, executive director of the San Francisco Bay Ferry authority; John Napton, CEO of Condor Ferries, UK; and Malta-based Virtu Ferries director Matthew Portelli. In addition, as host of next year's conference in Marrakesh, FRS Iberia/Maroc managing director Ronny Moriana Glindemann was confirmed as Interferry president for a one-year term.



"We are very pleased to welcome these industry leaders to our world-class board," says Interferry CEO Mike Corrigan. "They truly reflect the diversity of our membership and will ensure the association's long-term success as the voice of the industry."

He also paid tribute to three departing board members — Brittany Ferries CEO Christophe Mathieu and Virtu Ferries head Francis Portelli, who have each completed the limit of three consecutive four-year terms; and one-term director Callum Campbell, part of the senior management team at Australia's Riverside Marine Group. "They leave with the future in great hands, and with our huge gratitude of thanks for their remarkable dedication and commitment to Interferry and the industry," said Mr Corrigan.

Interferry's board of directors represents both large and small ferry companies and the various ferry types they operate: ro-pax, ro-ro, passenger-only, cruise ferries and high-speed craft. The current chair of the board is Tim Mooney, President of Fire Island Ferries.

**Interferry** is a highly respected global association with consultative status at the International Maritime Organization and similar influence at the European Union as well as many other maritime governance authorities. With membership exceeding 270 companies and over 2,000 individuals in more than 40 countries, its primary purposes are to represent the industry on regulatory and policy matters, to speak on behalf of the worldwide ferry sector, and to facilitate networking and communications among its members.

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