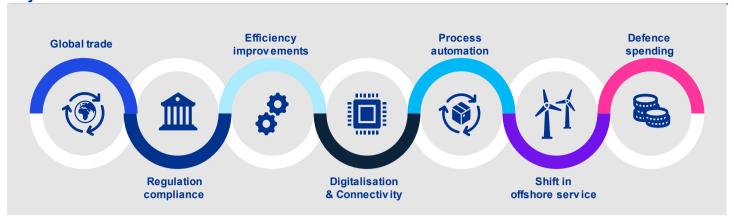


## Key market drivers



## **Overview of the Marine Market**

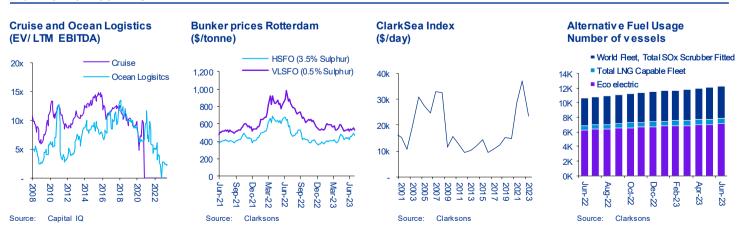
Digitisation and decarbonisation remain the dominant themes driving investment in the sector. Consolidation remains a key driver of M&A but Q3 was a relatively slow quarter (Mintra the online training platform acquired Seably AB). Nevertheless the number of platforms of scale is decreasing and those late to the party, strategic or financial, need to be prepared to pay a significant premium to catch up. This often explains the disconnection between price and fundamentals when looking at platform sales. Those with platforms are sitting on a significant strategic advantage as customers shift to enterprise level solutions in an attempt to rationalise purchasing, training and upgrade costs. Well capitalised platforms have the resources and the customer intimacy to accelerate the adoption of new, more efficient methods of operation. They are unlocking value, but, the rate of change is incremental and the addressable market sometimes constrained.

Decarbonisation, supported by legislation with real teeth, is turbo charging the market opportunity and ensuring the ultimate customer is now an active stakeholder in the transportation of their cargo. Scope 3 emissions, alongside punitive legislation in the EU, means the end customer is incentivised to charter with the most efficient, most compliant vessels and will demand increasing oversight into their operations. There will be teething problems – it is widely accepted by the industry that the audit of the first year of ETS in 2024 will be chaotic. The availability and accuracy of data will be not be able to support the legislation. However there is an acceptance that a year of pain will force the collaboration that is needed for accurate reporting – and this will further benefit those with the scale and customer access to capitalise

Access to data will obviously improve the accuracy of reporting and provide the insights on which customers make key commercial decisions. KPMG are pleased to have supported Stratum Five in their sale to Polestar. The opportunity to sell the Podium onboard informatics platform to a combined fleet in excess of 15,000 vessels will drive significant growth.

But data alone will not unlock the real value. This will depend upon collaboration, shared incentives and changes to historic maritime and commercial law. Imagine if the master knew 21 days out, the exact time his vessel could be piloted into the available berth and there was no incentive to get their too early. The operation of that vessel could then be optimised for that arrival time. One ambitious organisation is attempting to deliver this outcome, and they will do so by proving one route at a time the powers of collaboration and shared incentive. It will be hard yards at the start but will gain momentum. Shipping hates centrally imposed solutions, but, in the true spirit of commerce that imbued the first global traders centuries ago, will quickly adopt proven solutions that improve individual gains.

## Marine market KPIs



Note: From Q1 2021 to Q2 2022, all cruise comparable companies had negative earnings

## Selected M&A highlights

## **Digital Marine**

- Sep-23: Wisetech Global acquired MatchBox Exchange, an Australian based software company engaged with open market digital
  platform for the re-use and exchange of empty shipping containers
- Aug-23: Dovetail AS and Nysno Climate Investments acquired Metizoft, a Norway based consulting company providing IHM (Inventory of Hazardous Materials) solutions to shipyards, shipowners and suppliers in the maritime industry
- · Jul-23: Mintra Holding acquired Seably AB, a Sweden based digital learning marketplace for maritime professionals
- Jul-23: Rolls-Royce Holdings acquired TEAM Italia, an Italy based designer and developer of integrated bridges and navigation and automation systems for the marine industry

#### **Marine Services**

- Sep-23: Maritime Partners acquired US Marine Management LLC, a US based company engaged in chartering U.S. flag tanker and military support vessels
- · Sep-23: Rhneus SE & Co. KG acquired Rietlanden Terminals BV, a Netherlands based dry bulk port operator
- Sep-23: N Logistics Holdings acquired Navios Maritime Holdings, a Greece based provider of seaborne shipping, specilaising in w orldw ide carriage, trading, storing and related logistics of international bulk cargoes
- Sep-23: Global Transport Solutions acquired Ship Spares Logistics, a Netherlands based marine logistics company providing barge deliveries, warehouse consolidation and freight forwarding services
- Sep-23: Business Growth Fund acquired Ocean Crest Marine, an Ireland based provider of various barge solutions for marine projects
- Aug-23: Fondo Italiano d'Investimento acquired 33% of RINA, an Italy based company engaged in ship classification, assessment, control, certifications and research services and in charge of the operational activities of Registro Italiano Navale
- Aug-23: APEM Limited acquired NASH Maritime Ltd, a UK based speacilist shipping, navigation and maritime risk consultancy
- · Jul-23: Cambiaso Risso Group has acquired Leonhardt & Blumberg, a German based insurance broker for the shipping industry
- Jul-23: Arthuer J Gallagher & Co acquired Fender Marine, the Norway based managing general agent specialising in providing marine hull and protection & indemnity (P&I) coverages

#### **Marine Hardware**

- Sep-23: Ibla Capital acquired Heila Cranes, an Italy based marine cranes producer
- Sep-23: Shift4Good SAS acquired bound4blue, a Spain based developer of automated wind assisted propulsion systems as a turnkey solution for all shipowners

## Sector valuation through the cycle (EV/LTM EBITDA)



Source: Capital IQ

Note: Through the Cycle constituents as per the comparable companies listed in the table above

# Valuation of selected market players

Company	Country	Adjusted Enterprise Value	Leverage Net Debt / EBITDA	Margin	EBIT Margin 2023F	Enterprise Value as a multiple of:								
							Sales		EBITDA			EBIT		
						2022A	2023 F	2024 F	2022A	2023 F	2024 F	2022A	2023 F	2024F
Shipyards: Commerical														
Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering.	South Korea	4,341	n/a	nmf	nmf	1.4x	0.9x	0.8x	nmf	nmf	14.4x	nmf	nmf	19.5x
Korea Shipbuilding & Offshore Enginee	ring South Korea	5,918	n/a	4.5%	2.8%	0.5x	0.4x	0.4x	131.4x	9.9x	4.3x	nmf	15.8x	5.3x
Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Ltd.	Japan	20,052	2.3x	9.8%	6.4%	0.8x	0.8x	0.8x	10.7x	8.6x	7.5x	18.7x	13.0x	10.9x
Samsung Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.	South Korea	5,374	5.1x	5.3%	2.6%	1.4x	1.1x	0.9x	nmf	20.8x	12.9x	nmf	42.3x	18.3x
Median				5.3%	2.8%	1.1x	0.9x	0.8x	10.7x	9.9x	10.2x	18.7x	15.8x	14.6x
Shipyards: Defence														
Austal Limited	Australia	391	0.8x	4.5%	0.9%	0.5x	0.4x	0.4x	8.1x	9.9x	5.7x	17.4x	51.7x	11.0x
BAE Systems plc	United Kingdom	33,192	1.0x	13.3%	10.7%	1.6x	1.3x	1.3x	12.1x	10.1x	9.4x	15.9x	12.6x	11.6x
Fincantieri S.p.A.	Italy	3,657	8.9x	5.1%	1.9%	0.6x	0.5x	0.5x	12.9x	10.7x	8.9x	35.4x	29.2x	19.7x
Huntington Ingalls Industries, Inc.	United States	8,880	2.3x	10.6%	6.1%	1.0x	1.0x	1.0x	8.4x	9.3x	8.8x	15.3x	16.1x	14.3x
Median				7.9%	4.0%	0.8x	0.8x	0.7x	10.3x	10.0x	8.9x	16.6x	16.1x	13.0x
Strategic Marine														
Alfa Laval AB (publ)	Sweden	12,847	1.3x	18.7%	15.5%	3.1x	2.7x	2.5x	17.0x	14.3x	12.6x	20.0x	17.3x	14.7x
Cargotec Corporation	Finland	2,588	0.8x	13.2%	11.0%	0.7x	0.6x	0.7x	9.4x	4.9x	5.7x	14.5x	5.9x	6.9x
Kongsberg Gruppen ASA	Norway	5,912	0.5x	14.9%	11.3%	2.2x	2.0x	1.9x	15.8x	13.6x	12.2x	20.8x	17.9x	15.7x
Palfinger AG	Austria	1,305	2.5x	12.2%	8.4%	0.7x	0.6x	0.6x	7.3x	5.1x	5.3x	10.8x	7.5x	7.9x
Wärtsilä Oyj Abp	Finland	5,876	0.7x	10.8%	7.8%	1.1x	1.1x	1.0x	nmf	10.0x	8.5x	nmf	13.9x	11.2x
Median				13.2%	11.0%	1.1x	1.1x	1.0x	12.6x	10.0x	8.5x	17.2x	13.9x	11.2x
Marine Services														
Babcock International Group PLC	United Kingdom	2,661	1.4x	9.8%	6.0%	0.6x	0.6x	0.6x	7.9x	6.4x	5.6x	16.3x	10.4x	8.5x
Mintra Holding AS	Norway	70	1.8x	33.4%	23.1%	3.4x	3.5x	3.3x	14.5x	10.4x	9.7x	16.2x	15.1x	13.9x
James Fisher and Sons plc	United Kingdom	361	3.2x	13.0%	6.1%	0.8x	0.7x	0.7x	5.6x	5.6x	5.2x	14.1x	12.0x	10.1x
Wilh. Wilhelmsen Hdding ASA	Norway	303	2.1x	14.4%	9.0%	0.4x	0.4x	0.3x	2.8x	2.4x	2.5x	5.2x	3.9x	4.0x
Median				13.7%	7.6%	0.7x	0.7x	0.7x	6.8x	6.0x	5.4x	15.2x	11.2x	9.3x
Marine Broking														
Braemar Shipping Services Plc	United Kingdom	73	0.2x	14.4%	12.1%	0.5x	0.5x	0.5x	3.3x	3.3x	3.3x	3.9x	4.0x	3.8x
Clarkson PLC	United Kingdom	601	n/a	18.1%	15.1%	1.0x	1.0x	1.0x	5.2x	5.4x	5.5x	6.0x	6.4x	6.5x
Median				16.2%	13.6%	0.8x	0.7x	0.7x	4.3x	4.4x	4.4x	4.9x	5.2x	5.2x
Satcom														
KVH Industries, Inc.	United States	27	n/a	12.3%	nmf	0.2x	0.2x	0.2x	2.6x	1.9x	1.8x	nmf	nmf	nmf
SES S.A.	Luxembourg	5,326	3.2x	52.1%	16.8%	3.1x	3.1x	3.0x	5.4x	5.9x	5.7x	14.9x	18.3x	18.9x
Viasat, Inc.	United States	6,368	4.7x	30.7%	9.8%	3.1x	2.1x	1.8x	19.2x	6.7x	4.9x	nmf	21.1x	nmf
Median				30.7%	13.3%	3.1x	2.1x	1.8x	5.4x	5.9x	4.9x		19.7x	18.9x

Note: Multiples are based on enterprise value as of 30 September 2023 and historical and forecast sales, EBITDA and EBIT, calendarised to 31st of December "nmf": not meaningful; "n/a": not available

# **Economic Indicators**



# Longstanding KPMG global network marine credentials



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Safebridgé

2021 E-learning and crew competence solutions



Offshore wind turbine blade repair and maintenance



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Digital navigation and

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Marine aids to

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Digital freight execution platform



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