The Role of Sustainable Biofuels in the Decarbonisation of Shipping

The findings of an inquiry into the Sustainability and Availability of Biofuels for Shipping

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To understand the role that biofuels could play in the decarbonisation of the shipping industry, the Sustainable Shipping Initiative (SSI) launched an inquiry – facilitated by Forum for the Future – into the sustainability and availability of biofuels for shipping.

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The Role of Sustainable Biofuels in the Decarbonisation of Shipping: The findings of the inquiry into the sustainability and availability of biofuels for shipping outlines the findings of an inquiry commissioned by the Sustainable Shipping Initiative (SSI), reflecting a stakeholder consultation process facilitated by SSI member Forum for the Future to explore the potential role (if any) of biofuels in the decarbonisation of shipping. Forum for the Future conducted the desktop literature review as well as facilitated stakeholder consultations, and put forward a draft of preliminary key findings on which the conclusions were drawn by the SSI membership.

The process was guided by SSI’s Decarbonisation Working Group, whose members played an integral role throughout the consultations. It also benefited from the active engagement and contributions from speakers and participants in the seminars, webinar and Climate Week NYC event.

This report was launched at the 2019 United Nations Climate Change Conference, COP25 (Madrid, 11 December 2019).

Consulting a diverse range of stakeholders

The inquiry methodology involved a desktop literature review; expert stakeholder interviews; face-to-face and online stakeholder roundtables followed by a high-level panel at Climate Week NYC. SSI members were engaged and consulted throughout the process.

The Sustainable Shipping Initiative (SSI) is a multi-stakeholder collective of ambitious and like-minded leaders, driving change through cross-sectoral collaboration to contribute to – and thrive in – a more sustainable maritime industry. Spanning the entire shipping value chain, SSI members are shipowners and charterers; ports; shipyards, marine product, equipment and service providers; banks, ship finance and insurance providers; classification societies; and sustainability non-profits.

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