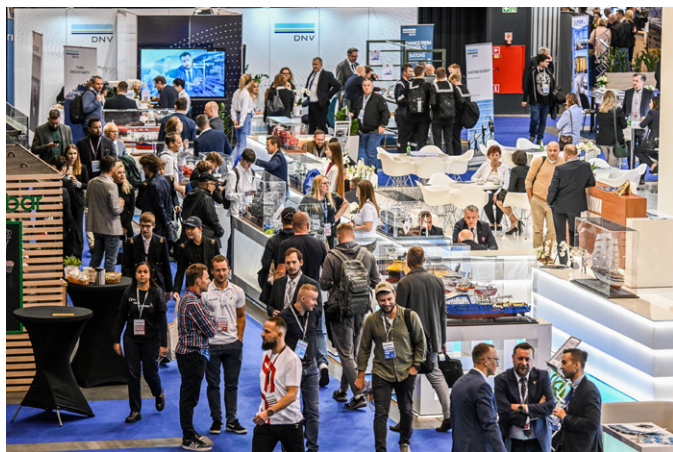


Hundreds of maritime and defense companies will meet in Gdańsk this October

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The Baltic Sea is busy as ever – if not more! In an era of massive security and offshore wind energy investments, amid shifts in import and export markets, and the ongoing tech revolution, the need for the maritime industry to meet has also gained interest. That is why the upcoming BALTEXPO International Maritime and Military Fair in Gdańsk will be so important for the sector. Hundreds of companies & guests will gather on 7-8 October 2025 at the AMBEREXPO venue.



After two decades of relative stability, the maritime industry is facing new challenges whilst also seeing new growth opportunities. Growing regional & international decarbonization demands, coupled with a set of other EU regulations are forcing shipowners and port operators to invest in alternative fuels, hybrid propulsion systems, and fleet modernization. Meanwhile, the dynamic development of offshore wind energy, especially in the Baltic and North Seas, creates promising openings for the maritime services sector, shipyards, and component suppliers.

In these times full of change, it's crucial for the industry to speak with one voice across Europe – only this way can it effectively lobby for favorable regulations, attract investment, and set common standards. A shared narrative also speeds up the implementation of other vital to the maritime sector solutions, including safety, environmental protection, and human (re)skill development.

The BALTEXPO trade fair in Gdańsk is exactly such a co-op platform; an event that brings together decision-makers, businesses, and academia, creating a space for exchanging experiences and shaping strategic directions for the sector to move forward boldly. Over 200 exhibitors from Poland and abroad will showcase their offerings. The agenda also includes the Safety Day (dedicated to preparing

for various types of crises), the Education, Career and Work Day (for those seeking new job opportunities in the industry), and the Baltic Ports Organization's annual Baltic Ports Conference (bringing together key stakeholders from the region's seaports – and beyond).

BALTEXPO is much more than just an overview of the latest technologies and projects – it's a space for making joint,

long-term decisions. Port modernization, supply chain digitization, offshore wind energy development, and attracting new & qualified talent – all of this to help make the Baltic one of the most dynamically developing sea regions in Europe.

Discounted BALTEXPO 2025 ticket prices are up for grabs until September 15th! Register & learn more about the show at www.baltexpo.eu. ■



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