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SAFE FISHING
LEGAL FISHING



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- **Fishing and Merchant Seafaring family history**
- **IMO Consultant**
- **Represented International Union of Marine Insurance on Polar Code**
- **On IMO Steering Committee for the Implementation of the Cape Town Agreement**
- **Special Advisor to Arctic Council Protection of the Arctic Marine Environment Working Group (PAME)**
- **Government and Industry Advisor on International Regulatory Implementation adopting a Collaborative Approach**



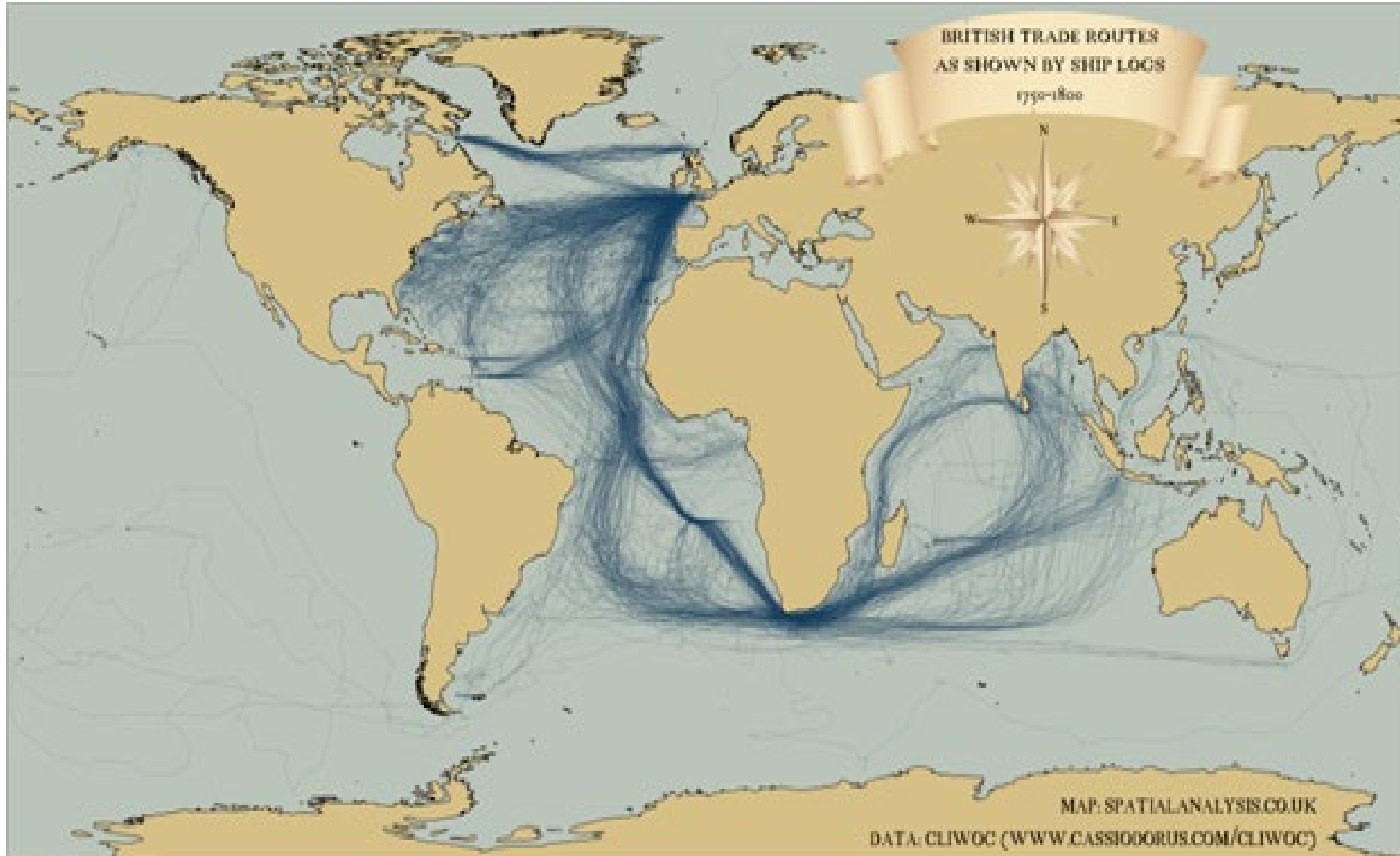
**Crookhaven Harbour,
Co Cork, Ireland**



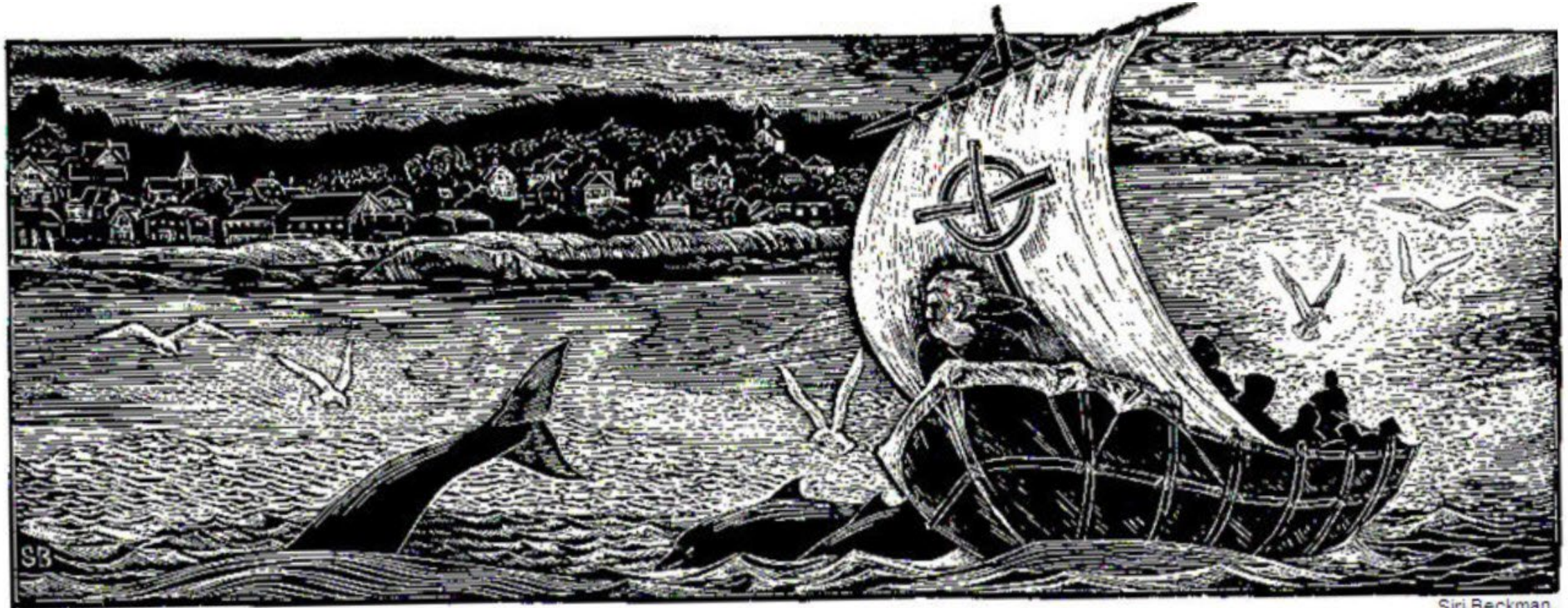
Picture of Crookhaven harbour looking Southwest



British Trade Routes 1750 - 1800



St. Brendan the Navigator



Siri Beckman

Replication of St. Brendan's Voyage by Tim Severin 1977





- With Alaskan Senator Dan Sullivan and former Lt Governor of Alaska Mead Treadwell at Arctic Council Summit Fairbanks Alaska 11 May 2017
- Establishment of the Arctic Shipping Best Practice Information Forum





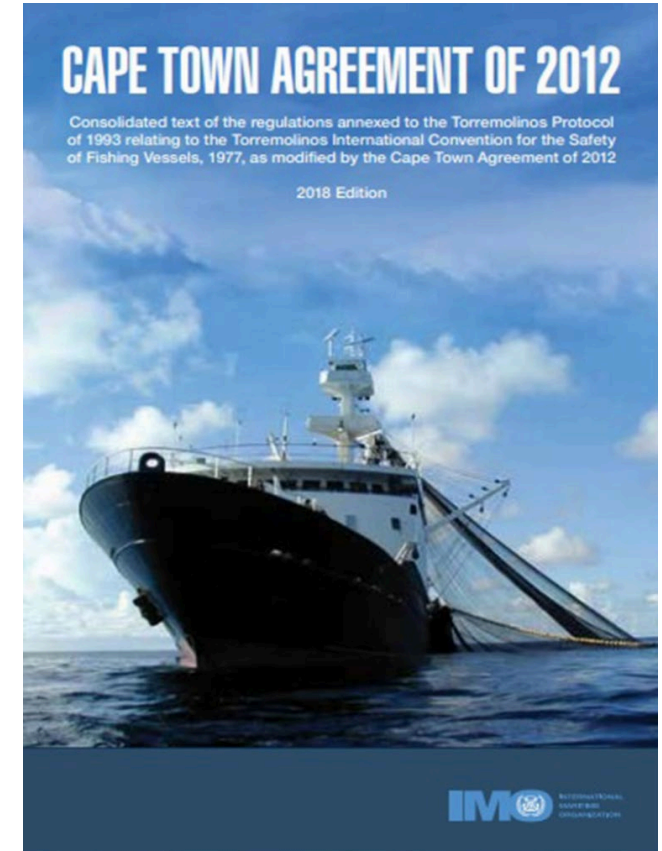
**With Iceland
Representatives
at US Embassy
June 2019 at 3rd
Arctic Shipping
Best Practice
Information
Forum meeting.**



2012 Cape Town Agreement on the safety of fishing vessels



- Provides standards on the design, construction and equipment of fishing vessels
- Includes regulations designed to protect the safety of crews and observers, and provide a level playing field for the industry.
- **Hugely important as a first international instrument for the safety of fishers and fishing vessels**



Importance of implementing the Cape Town Agreement



- Safety of Fishing Vessels
- Safety of Crew
- Protection of the Environment
- Protection of our rescue services
- Protection of Society – Food Security
- Helping-fight against illegal unreported and unregulated fishing
- Creating a base convention to build enhanced safety provisions in harsh Polar regions

Background and history: Evaluation of the Agreement



1977

**Torremolinos
International
Convention for the
Safety of Fishing
Vessels, 1977**

1993

**Torremolinos
Protocol**

2012

**Cape Town Agreement of
2012 on the
Implementation of the
Provisions of the 1993
Protocol relating to the
Torremolinos International
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Torremolinos Conference



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Support from Iceland



Minister Sigurður Ingi Jóhannsson



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Ragnhildur Hjaltadóttir



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Sverrir Konráðsson



Hjalti Þór Hreinsson

Torremolinos Declaration



Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Belize, Bulgaria, Central African Republic, Chile, China, Congo (Republic of), Cook Islands, Costa Rica, Croatia, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Ecuador, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Ghana, Guinea (Republic of), Guinea Bissau, Iceland, Indonesia, Ireland, Kiribati, Lebanon, Liberia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Togo, Uganda, United Kingdom, Vanuatu



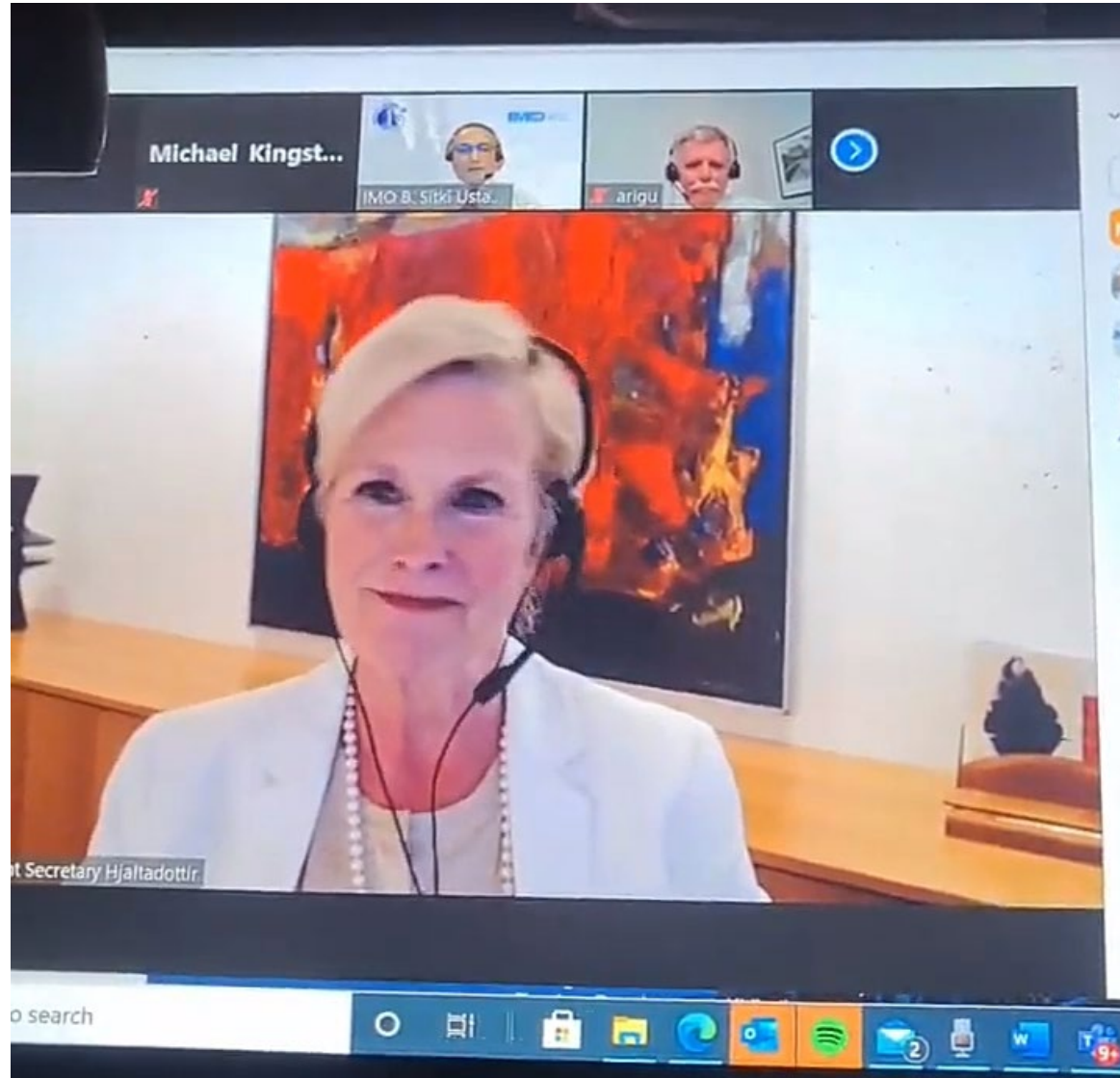
Global Collaboration



- Series of Regional Webinars

No	Region	Date
1	Latin America and the Caribbean	23-24 November 2020
2	Africa	23-24 February 2021
3	Middle East, North Africa and Mediterranean	13-14 April 2021
4	Europe (non-EU members) and the TCD region: Western Asia and Eastern Europe	21-22 June 2021
5	Pacific	22-23 July 2021
6	Asia	19-20 October 2021
7	Europe (EU and EEA region)	27 January 2022

Iceland Leadership



EU Ministerial Conference Opatija, Croatia 10 – 11 March 2020



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PAME and the Cape Town Agreement



- *Raising awareness in the Arctic Council of the provisions of the 2012 Cape Town Agreement for the safety of fishing vessels and the experience gained in the implementation process by Arctic States and other nations, recognizing the importance of fishing vessel safety in the Arctic due to the increased traffic of fishing vessels in the region.*
- *Led by Iceland, IMO and Spain*

Polar Maritime Seminar – Cape Town Agreement Panel



- Panel Session 10: Fishing Vessel Safety
- London, 31 October - 1 November 2022



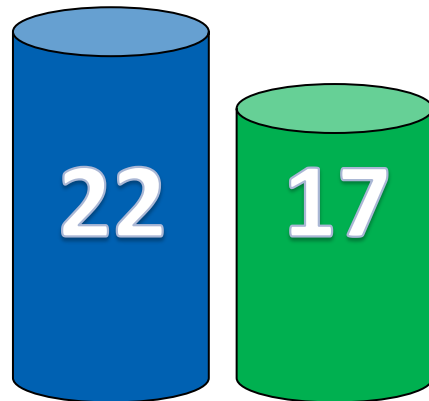
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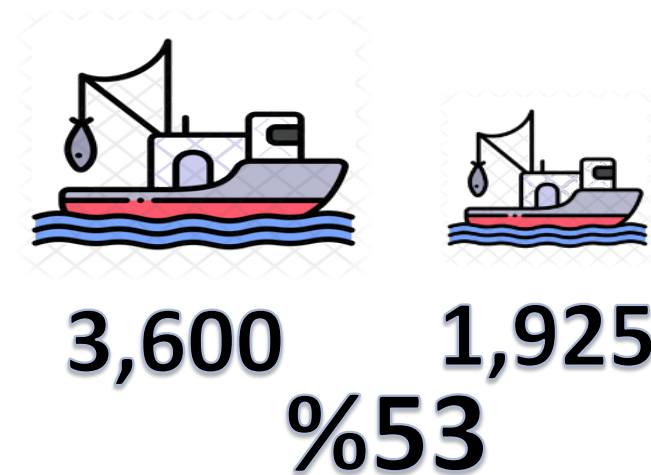
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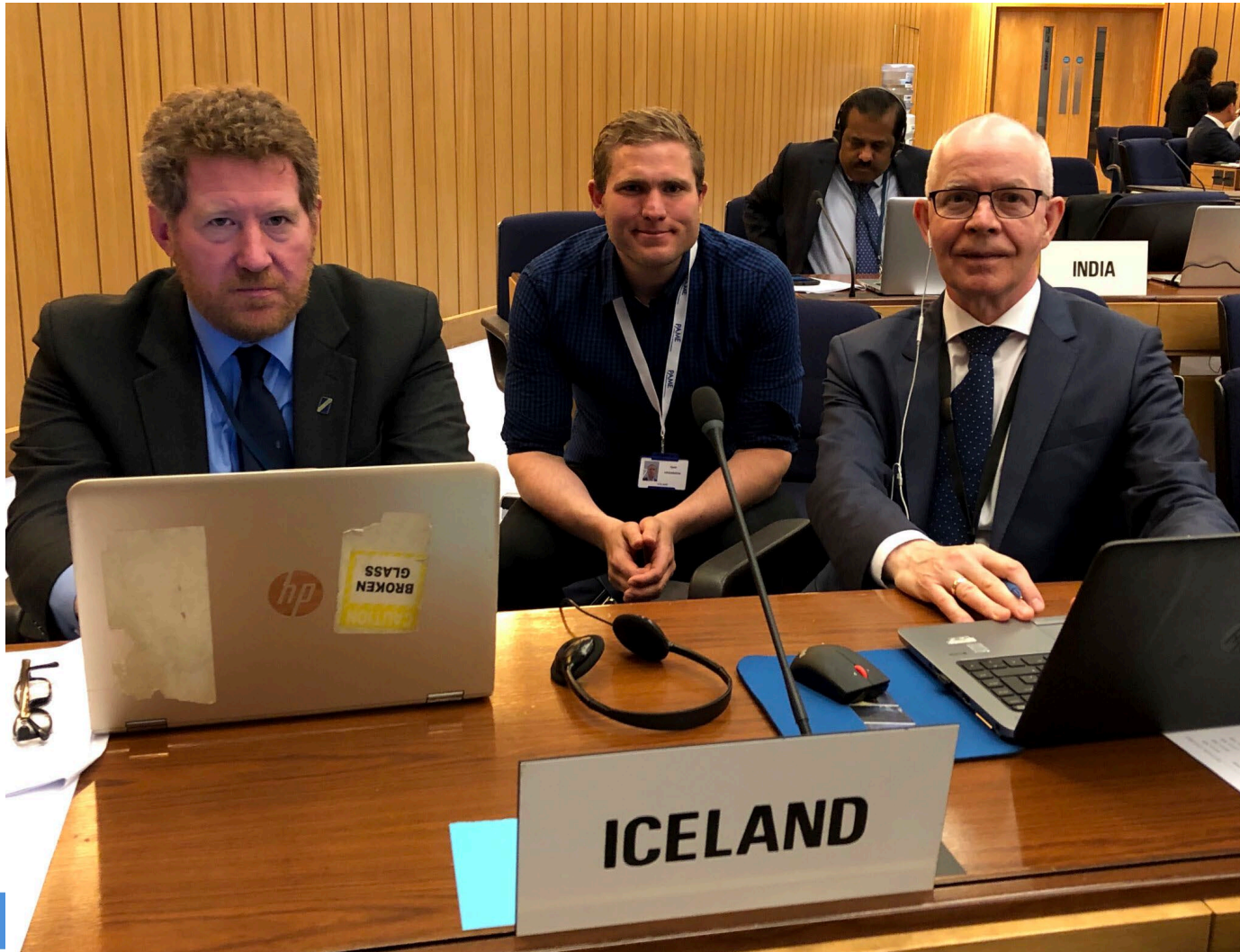
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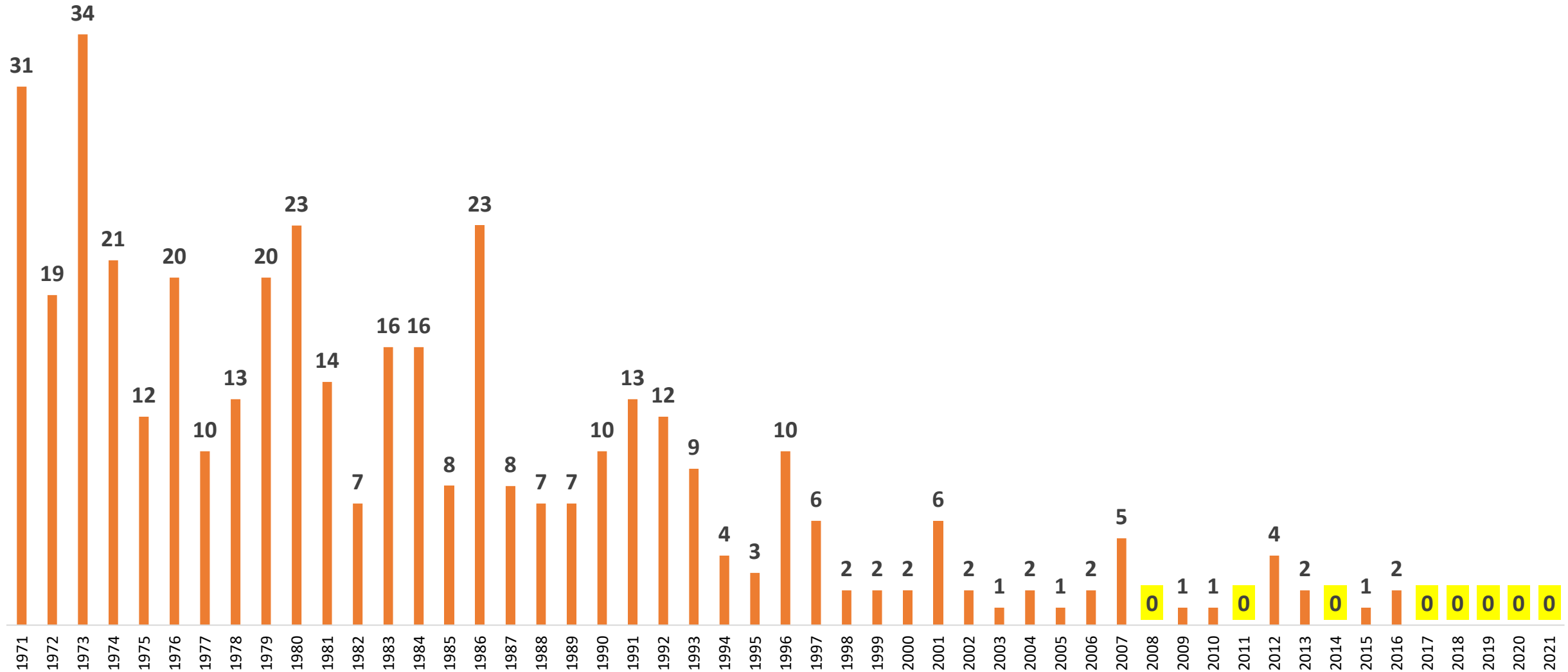
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Iceland Delegation at MSC 101



FATAL ACCIDENTS AT SEA – ICELAND 1971 - 2021



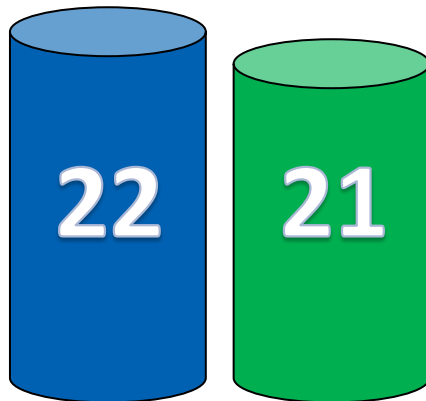
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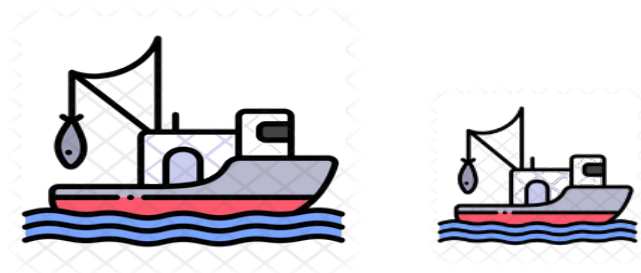
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3,600

2,603

%72

The show goes on



Crookhaven harbour




Brow Head





Tim Kingston (Age 31) with Michael Kingston (Age 3) and Nora Kingston (Age one month) September 1978, Crookhaven, Co Cork, Ireland.



MV Betelgeuse Disaster, Bantry Bay, Ireland, 8 January 1979



- Whiddy Island
- 8 January 1979
- 50 people killed
- Result – ratification of SOLAS on a worldwide basis thereby implementing simple mandatory rules in relation to inert gas systems

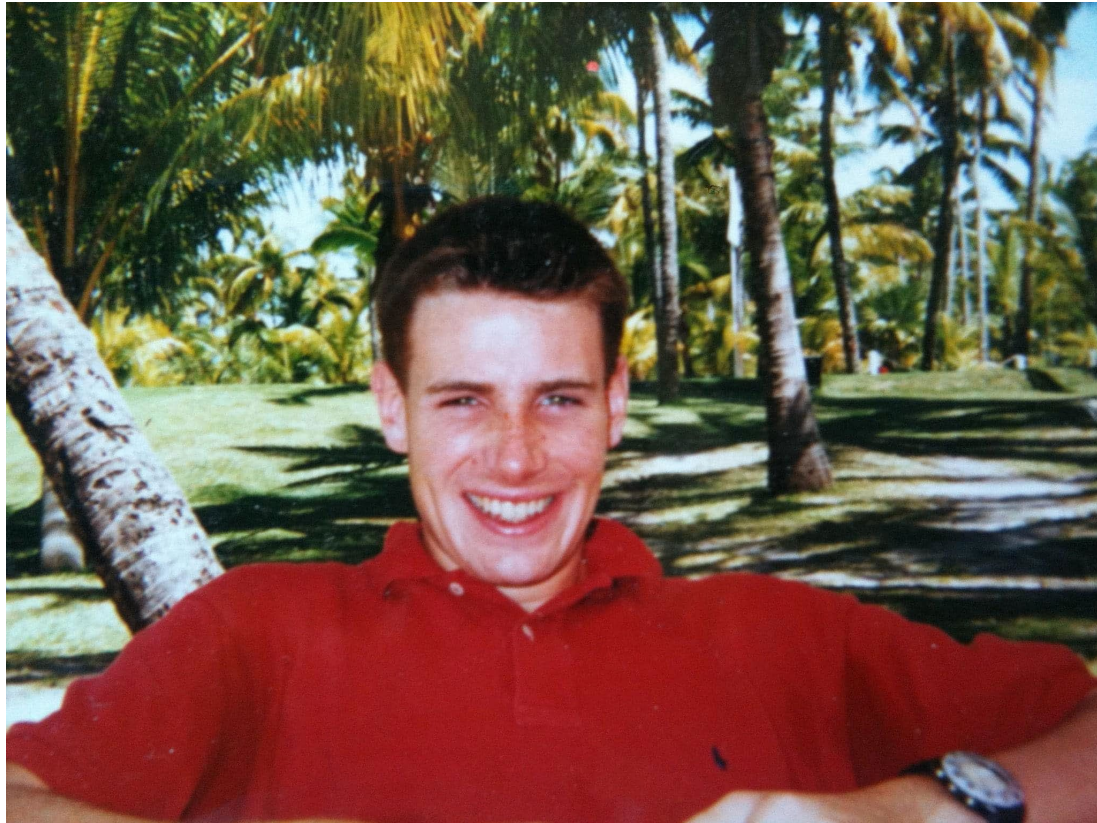


Photo: Ian Vickery

Tribute to Iceland – Thank you



In memory of all those who have dies tragically



Franz Fassenfeld, 23.3.1997



Eve Fassenfeld, 4.6.2023