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Oh re-elected as head of Korean Register

At a vote held in Korea on 24 February, Oh Kong-gyun was re-elected to serve as Chairman and CEO of the Korean Register – an IACS member classification society – for a further three years.

Following an open call for candidates, members of the Korean Register’s General Assembly voted overwhelmingly in favour of Mr Oh to continue in his role as head of the classification society – a position he has held since 2007. The General Assembly comprises 84 members who represent shipbuilding, ship owning, academic and other maritime interests.

Commenting on his re-election, Mr Oh said:

“I am deeply honoured that so many senior people in the maritime community have given me a mandate to continue my role as Chairman of the Korean Register. In 2007, I set out a vision to position KR on the international stage and to become one of the leading classification societies by 2020. Since then we have significantly expanded our international network of offices, grown our fleet to almost 40 million gt, diversified into maritime related and non-related businesses and successfully chaired IACS through an extremely challenging period. But there is so much more to be done and I am so pleased that I have been given the opportunity to continue to take KR forward.”

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The Korean Register of Shipping is an IACS member classification society established in 1960 with the purpose of promoting safety of life, property and the protection of the marine environment. From July 2008-July 2009, KR held the chairmanship of the International Association of Classification Societies (IACS) and now holds the office of vice-chairman (immediate past chairman). This year, KR celebrates its 50th anniversary.

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