# The Class Approach NFAS – Ocean Week 2018

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### Introduction

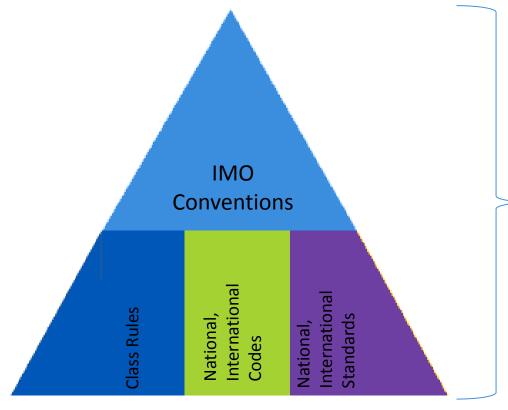
- How do we assure manned vessels?
- How can we assure unmanned vessels?
- Using a Goal-based approach
- The challenge of Goal-based assurance
- Remembering people!
- Regulation & Challenges



### How do we assure manned vessels?

Equipment

Electrical Safety



- Structures
- Machinery
- Electrical
- Navigation
- Fire Safety
- Escape
- Environment
- Operation



Size; No. of Crew; No. of Passengers;

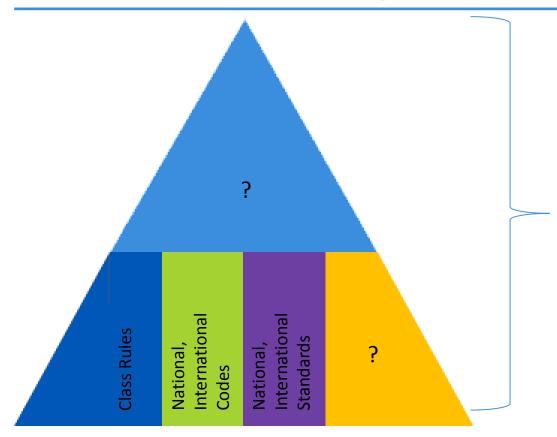
Cargo

Vessel Type; Area of operation





### How can we assure Unmanned vessels?





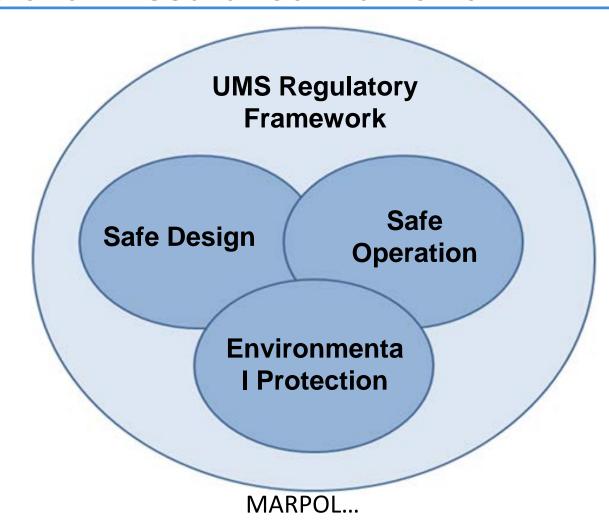
Absence of Standards/Regulation!

### **Elements of an Assurance Framework**



**Class Societies** 

Safe to Operate.....

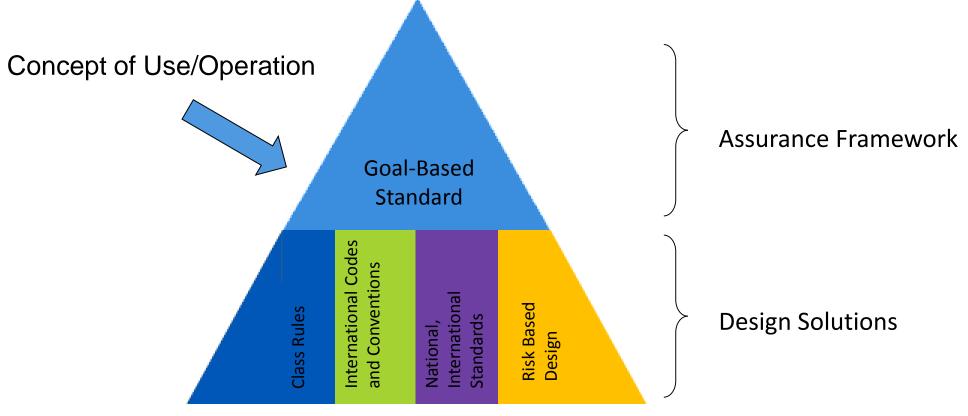




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...and Operated Safely.

### **An Assurance Framework for Unmanned vessels**



Promote good design and quality manufacturing

Not restrict design through prescription

## **Concept of Use / Concept of Operations**

#### How is the vessel used?

- Roles
- Attributes
- Operating Environment
- Operating Philosophy
- Maintenance and Disposal
- Base station control





We can't assume we know.

## Using a Goal-based approach

### What is Goal-based?

"People shall be prevented from falling" is goal-based.



## **Finding Solutions**

In prescriptive regulation the specific means of achieving compliance is mandated.

#### "You shall install a one metre high rail"

The advantage of using a goal-based structure is that other solutions can be used:

#### For example:

- 2 metre high fence
- Signs
- Training
- Fence 100m from the cliff edge
- Remove the cliff edge



## LR Code for Unmanned Marine Systems

- Goal-Based Design Standard covering 'Safe Design'
- Chapters Topics;
  - Structures
  - Stability
  - Control Systems
  - Electrical Systems
  - Navigation Systems
  - Propulsion and Manoeuvring
  - Fire
  - Auxiliary Systems
- Applicable to all sizes UMS particularly those <24m</li>





Working together for a safer world

### **Goal based structure**

#### Tier 0 – Aim:

"The Unmanned Marine System (UMS) shall be safe, dependable, capable and resilient in all Reasonably Foreseeable Operating Conditions"

#### For each Chapter

- Tier 1 Chapter Goal
- Tier 2 Functional Objectives
- Tier 3 Performance Requirements

Solutions, Verification activity.....



## LR Code for UMS – Navigation Example

#### Tier 1– Goal

"The navigation system shall be designed with a level of integrity sufficient to enable the UMS to be operated and maintained safely as an when required within its design or imposed limitation in all Reasonably Foreseeable Operating Conditions"

#### Tier 2 – Functional Objective

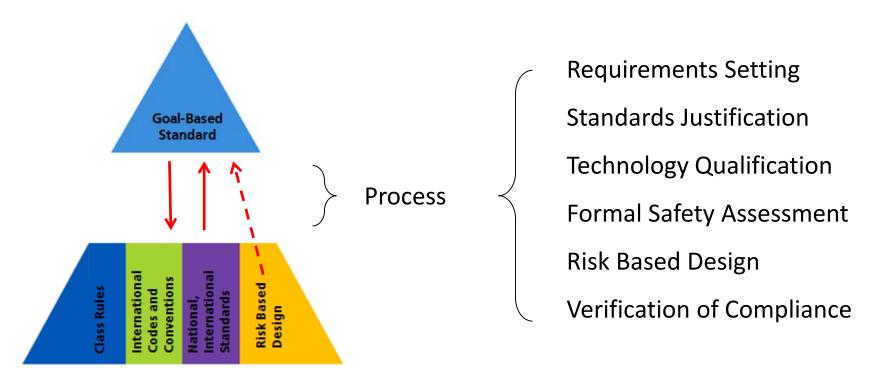
"The UMS shall be able to communicate its limitations and navigational intentions to other vessels."

#### **Tier 3 – Performance Requirement**

"The UMS shall have a means to display its manoeuvring limitations."

#### Solutions, Verification activity.....

### The challenge of Goal-based Assurance



Asking the right question becomes more important than knowing the correct answer.

### Where do people fit?

- Periodically Manned at Sea
  - Confined Waters Transit
  - Passengers/Non-Executive Crew
  - Repositioning
  - Launch/Recovery/Berthing
  - Mixed Manning
- Occasionally Manned at Sea/in Port
  - Data Collection
  - Emergency Recovery
  - Maintenance/Survey/Trials
  - Cargo Operations
  - Rescue Operations
- Land-Based Control Stations
- Land-Based Third Party Sites

Maritime Safety Rules?

Health & Safety Regulations?

**National Law?** 

## Considering the Human Element within the System

- The human interface cannot be ignored.
- Design considerations should include:
  - Is the role of people in the system feasible and safe?
  - Are the human-machine interfaces usable?
  - Will the required level of human performance be sustainable?
- The Owner should consider the human element throughout the lifecycle.



### Regulation & Challenges



Registration -

Other Services - Useful Information -

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Doug Barrow, Director UK Ship Register said: 'By supporting emerging technologies such as autonomous are helping to keep the UK at the forefront of the global maritime industry.

The UK Flag is growing, as we have invested in resources to meet the demands of that growth. We have the UK Government, and the wider UK maritime industries to continue our expansion.

'Vince Dobbin, Sales and Marketing Director of ASV Global said, 'We are delighted to have achieved the of a semi-autonomous vessel for maritime operations. The MCA has been critical in enabling ASV to read milestone recognising the prominence of unmanned systems in the maritime environment.

ASV has designed and built more than 80 vessels which are now deployed all over the world in the service gas, scientific and defence sectors.





#### First Unmanned Vessel Joins UK Ship Register



Image Courtesy: ASV

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Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships up to 24 metres in length

### Maritime Autonomy – What's next?

- Technology Growth
  - Artificial Intelligence
  - Situational Awareness & Sensors
  - Security & Cyber Security
  - Ship Design Impacts
  - Reliability & Redundancy
- Regulatory Changes
- Future of the Seafarer
- Legal Challenges
  - Responsibility
  - Insurance Models
- Public acceptance



### Thank you

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