

UK-USA Maritime Nations Forum 2019

WASHINGTON DC – 19, 20, 21 NOVEMBER 2019

Maritime UK and the UK Government are leading a maritime trade mission to Washington DC on 19 November 2019.

The mission will centre on the second UK-USA Maritime Nations Forum, with the inaugural forum [held last year in New York aboard HMS Queen Elizabeth](#).

This year's visit will celebrate UK-US relations and discuss areas for further collaboration. The Forum will cover:

- Developments in each respective national maritime sector
- Key areas for negotiation in a future UK-US Free Trade Agreement
- Opportunities for enhanced collaboration and best practice sharing

The Forum will be followed by a high-level reception aboard a Royal Navy asset.

In addition, a series of receptions, press briefings and visits will be planned, providing the opportunity for 1-2-1 discussions between UK and US companies. The programme will allow UK companies to invite their US customers and partners to engage in the activity. During last year's visit a number of UK firms included their clients to the event as part of a broader visit to the country.

Places on the mission are limited. Those interested in joining are asked to contact Paul Owen to register interest.

Outline programme of events

- **19 November**
Evening – 'Transatlantic Reception' in Washington DC
- **20 November**
Morning – Press Briefing (TBC)
Morning – 1-2-1 facilitated meetings or roundtable (TBC)
Afternoon/Evening – Maritime Nations Forum aboard RN asset
- **21 November**
Morning/Afternoon – Visit to the Port of Baltimore (TBC)

UK-USA Maritime Nations Forum DRAFT agenda

1) Welcome and introductions

Forum Co-Chairs: UK and USA

2) UK panel

Maritime 2050 and developments within the UK maritime sector

3) US panel

Developments within the US maritime sector

4) Focus: Decarbonisation

Representatives from both the UK and US to discuss respective approaches to decarbonisation and areas where the two countries can work together.

5) Panel: Future Free Trade Agreement

Representatives from both the UK and US to discuss respective maritime priorities for a future UK-USA Free Trade Agreement.

6) Summary and close

Further details to follow and you can register your interest by emailing powen@maritimeuk.org

