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## Executive Manager - Shipping

### Education

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- Graduated Engineer - ENSTA Paris, 1995
- Executive MBA, KEDGE Business School, Marseille, 2009

### Professional Experience

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- 2021 – today: Président, Knutsen LNG France
- 2020 – today: CEO, AYRO, designer and manufacturer of wingsails for hybrid propulsion on commercial and yacht vessels
- 2018 – today: founder and development of consulting company Alwena Shipping
- 2013/2018: CMA CGM, Vice President and CEO CMA Ships.  
Typical réalisations during 21 years in CMA CGM:
  - 140 new vessel delivered for the fleet
  - 187 managed vessel in 2018, 4,500 seafarers at sea, 450 shore staff
  - Jumboisation of 8 container ships from 13,000 Teu to 17,000 Teu
  - Pit stop bulbous bow and propeller exchange (< 1 week) on dozens of ships
  - crisis management: collisions with oil spill, grounding, loss of propulsion power, etc
  - R&D studies as from 2010 on LNG as fuel, order of the 9x23,000 Teu container vessel LNG fueled
- 2010/2013 : CMA CGM, Deputy CEO of CMA Ships, 100% owned subsidiary for shipmanagement.
- 1997/2009 : CMA CGM, New Building Director
- 1996/1997 : Production Manager, Delta Voiles, Montpellier
- 1995/1996 : Junior Naval Architect, Naval Group - ex DCN - Lorient (military time)

### Other activities / Additional informations

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- Offshore sailing on sailing boat, single and double handed
- Supporting and donator to Pure Ocean Fund, Marseille



## Publications

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- ATMA , 2007 meeting, *“From 6500 Eyp to 11400 Eyp on same design concept, where is the limit “*
- Académie de Marine, 2015 : *“The modern container ship, a state of the art vessel”*
- Several videos and broadcasts on container vessel in fleet and their construction

## Competencies

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- New vessel construction : contracting with shipyards, supervision, trials and delivery
- Ship repair and shipyards
- Vessels conversions and retrofits
- Maintenance and management of vessels in service
- Crew management
- Fleet management and optimisation
- Crisis management : nautical events and mechanical breakdowns, casualties

