Are you interested in taking part in the research project

MAREN - Nordic collaboration for MARitime ENergy transition?

Purpose of the project

You are invited to participate in a research project where the main purpose is to accelerate the green maritime transition, through enhanced knowledge and innovation collaboration between actors in the Nordic countries. The project will provide:

- A Nordic maritime energy program, to foster and spread knowledge on new insights and innovations in sustainable maritime energy
- A Nordic strategy on maritime energy transition, outlining how joint Nordic knowledge strongholds may be created and converted to concrete innovation projects in the coming years
- A Nordic digital platform for cross-industrial open innovation and collaboration, working as a "project generator" throughout the Nordic region.

Which institution is responsible for the research project?

The Swedish research institute RI.SE is responsible for the MAREN project, while the Norwegian research institute SINTEF is responsible (data controller) for the research activity you are invited to contribute to – a survey among stakeholders across the Nordic countries.

Why are you being asked to participate?

The purpose of the survey is to collect insights and opinions from relevant stakeholders, on key drivers, barriers and opportunities in maritime energy transition in the Nordics.

You are asked to participate, as a member, collaboration partner or associate that one or several of the project partners consider as a highly relevant stakeholder and therefore has provided contact details to. In all, around 300 persons are included in the sample.

What does participation involve for you?

If you choose to take part in the project, this will involve that you fill in an online survey. This will take approx. 10 minutes. The survey includes questions about alternative fuels, other decarbonisation measures, knowledge and collaboration, drivers and barriers to maritime energy transition.

Participation is voluntary

Participation in the project is voluntary. If you choose to participate, you can withdraw your consent at any time without giving a reason. There will be no negative consequences. All information about you will be made anonymous.

Your personal privacy – how we will store and use your personal data

We will only use your personal data for the specified purpose and we will process your personal data in accordance with data protection legislation (the GDPR). While your IP-address could be traced through the survey link, no personal data will be stored. Your answers to the survey will be stored on a research server with restricted access, and no respondents will be recognizable in any publication from the project.

What will happen to your personal data at the end of the research project?

The planned end date of the project is 31. December 2024. At this point the data will be archived in anonymous form.

Your rights

So long as it can be traced to your IP address, you have the right to:

- access the data that is being processed about you
- request that your data is deleted
- request that your responses are corrected/rectified
- receive a copy of your data (data portability), and
- send a complaint to the Norwegian Data Protection Authority regarding the processing of your personal data

What gives us the right to process your personal data?

We will process your personal data based on your consent (provided as initial step in the survey).

Based on an agreement with SINTEF Digital, The Data Protection Services of Sikt – Norwegian Agency for Shared Services in Education and Research has assessed that the processing of personal data in this project meets requirements in data protection legislation.

Where can I find out more?

If you have questions about the project, or want to exercise your rights, contact:

- SINTEF Digital via Sigrid Damman (Sigrid.Damman@sintef.no).
- Our Data Protection Officer Jan Waage (privacy@sintef.no)

If you have questions about how data protection has been assessed in this project by Sikt, contact:

• email: (personverntjenester@sikt.no) or by telephone: +47 73 98 40 40.

Yours sincerely,

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