

Signatory form

Every person deserves to be safe while carrying out their work, and to be able to return to their homes without being victims of violent crime. Seafarers deserve no less.

The piracy problem in the Gulf of Guinea has developed into a curse for seafarers over the past decade. In 2021, the threat that looms for all seafarers going to the region is being kidnapped at gunpoint for ransom. While overall numbers of pirate attacks are largely unchanged the violence, scope, and sophistication of the attacks on shipping has continued to increase and today take place across an area of more than 200 nautical miles from the pirate bases that are principally located within the Niger Delta.

In response to growing concerns and increasing attacks in the region, a taskforce has drafted the Gulf of Guinea declaration on the Suppression of Piracy. By signing up, the signatories commit themselves to — among other things: Tangibly supporting antipiracy law enforcement as mandated by international law, including international treaties, (e.g. the United Nations Conventions on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS)), by non-regional naval forces providing a capable incident response capability to complement regional coastal states' antipiracy law enforcement operations.

View the declaration in full here.

To become a signatory to the Gulf of Guinea declaration on the Suppression of Piracy, please complete the form below and return to: qoadeclaration@bimco.org

Signatory organisations agree to support the aims and principles outlined in the declaration and do not have any legal or financial obligations as a result of signing.

ORGANISATION DETAILS				
Organisation name: (name as it will appear on the declaration)		Mailing address:		
Organisation category:				
Ship Owner, Ship Operator Ship Manager Charterer	Shipping Customer Insurer Port		☐ Financial Institution ☐ Association ☐ Other (please specify below)	
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CONTACT DETAILS				
Contact name:	Contact job title:		Contact email address:	
I hereby confirm that my organisation will become a signatory of the Gulf of Guinea Declaration on the Suppression of Piracy and give permission for the organisation to be listed as a signatory. I confirm I have the required authorisation to sign the declaration on behalf of my organisation.			Yes	□ No