



IMO Gender Equality Award 2025

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Karin Orsel honored with IMO Gender Equality Award 2025

Karin Orsel, Board Member of the Royal Association of Netherlands Shipowners (KVNR), has been awarded the prestigious “IMO Gender Equality Award 2025.” This award, presented by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) [+](#), recognizes individuals who actively promote diversity and inclusivity in the maritime sector.

Orsel is celebrated for her years of dedicated work as a maritime trailblazer advocating for gender equality and diversity in our industry. In addition to her role at the KVNR, she serves as Chair of the European Community Shipowners' Associations (ECSA) [+](#) and CEO of MF Shipping Group.

The award highlights her role as an inspiring figurehead. “Her efforts have not only contributed to a more inclusive sector but also motivate us to continue pursuing this mission,” stated the KVNR.

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