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2021 Nautical Networking Event

An Evening on the Tall Ship Silva

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Every summer, Marine Renewables Canada holds an event to bring its members and the broader ocean and energy industries together for an evening of networking and catching up on progress and opportunities in the sector.

We've been monitoring the current situation and outlook for COVID-19 in Nova Scotia including restrictions. It is looking promising that restrictions will be eased as the summer draws near and we are excited to announce that we will move ahead with our annual Nautical Networking event onboard the Tall Ship Silva.

We hope that you can join us on the Tall Ship Silva for a wonderful evening featuring a cruise around Halifax Harbour, live music, and an opportunity to re-connect with colleagues!

MRC has again developed COVID-19 [health and safety guidelines](#) for all events and will implement aspects of the guidelines that are relevant to this event. Below is what you can expect for the 2021 MRC Nautical Event.

Health & Safety Measures - What to expect

Event attendees' health and safety is a priority for MRC and the Tall Ship Silva ("Silva"). MRC has again been working closely with the Silva to ensure that the event implements all current Nova Scotia public health directives. The event will also follow the Silva's current [COVID-19 protocols](#). As public health directives are changing on a continuous basis, we are monitoring them closely and will ensure that the most recent requirements are implemented. At this time (May 27), attendees can expect the following:

- **Physical distancing:** Currently (as of May 27), the event will be limited to 75 people (1/2 of the Silva's capacity) and all attendees will be required to practice physical distancing and wear masks. These gathering limits and restrictions for both events and groups within the event will be regularly updated as they change as stated by [Nova Scotia's gathering restriction requirements](#). The Tall Ship Silva has implemented new measures onboard to assist attendees with physical distancing.
- **Symptoms screening:** Before any attendee boards the Silva, they will be required to fill out a COVID-19 screening tool and provide their signature. If they have any symptoms of COVID-19, they will not be permitted to board the Silva. MRC will also have the names and contact

information of all attendees to assist public health authorities with any contact tracing should that become necessary. This information will not be disclosed unless required.

- **Service of food & beverage:** The Silva requires use of staff masks in any area of operation where six-foot physical distancing cannot be consistently maintained (such as servers). All food & beverage will be served for individual consumption only (there will be no buffets or re-use of glasses, etc.).

Cancellation policy

Given the many ongoing uncertainties posed by COVID-19, MRC has established a flexible cancellation policy for this event. Full refunds will be given to registered attendees prior to August 9, 2021. After August 9, only substitutions will be accepted. If the Nova Scotia Government enforces restrictions that prevent safely hosting this event when the event date draws near, we will post-pone or cancel the event and offer registrants a full refund.