



## **Captain John Wright**

John as a ship's master had first hand experience of dealing with a three man fatal accident at the Piper Alpha platform (before the 1988 disaster) and later, as Marine Superintendent, had to remove the burning drilling rig Ocean Odyssey from the well, when it suffered a gas blow-out in the North Sea in 1988. This latter disaster cost the life of a 25 year-old radio operator. These experiences have given him a passion for safety equalled only by his passion for the pursuit of business excellence.

John retired in March 2021 from being Owner and Managing Director of WrightWay Training Limited, which delivered management and safety training and consultancy services worldwide from 1996. Clients were mainly from the marine and oil & gas industries and included companies such as BC Ferries, the Carnival Cruise Corporation, V Ships, BHP Billiton and Total Exploration & Drilling. The company also worked for organisations in the pharmaceutical and construction sectors.

John and his team's specialist areas were workforce involvement, Team Resource Management (human factors & human performance) accident investigation, risk assessment and safety and business culture change. These skills were used to support organisations in their quest for safe, accident-free working environments and the pursuit of business excellence, these two aims being seamlessly joined.

John remains active in the Honourable Company of Master Mariners; is a Fellow of the Nautical Institute; sits on the Maritime Advisory Board of CHIRP (Confidential Human Factors Incident Reporting Programme) and until retiring, sat on the Human Element in Shipping Committee (HEiSC) of INTERTANKO (The organisation representing Tanker shipowners worldwide). Through these organisations he continues to try to better the lot of seafarers.