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ABL AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND: MARINE SURVEYING AND CONSULTANCY

LOCAL INSIGHT. GLOBAL MARITIME ASSURANCE. 24/7 SUPPORT.

ABL has been operational in Australia since 1988, with roots in London Offshore Consultants (LOC) - now part of ABL. Since then, our presence has expanded to a coast to coast surveyor and consultancy footprint, alongside operations in New Zealand, providing critical marine and technical support across Australasia and the Pacific.

A vital hub for global bulk commodity, energy and offshore supply chains, Australia plays a central role in international maritime operations, particularly across the Southern Hemisphere. It is also at the forefront of maritime decarbonisation, with growing investment in green shipping corridors, hydrogen and ammonia fuels.

Within this landscape, ABL Australia and New Zealand provide multi disciplinary marine and offshore expertise, supporting clients across a broad range of maritime and energy activities - from concept and feasibility through to operations, risk management and marine casualty response.

With a strong track record supporting many of Australia's most significant offshore and maritime projects, our team delivers trusted, independent technical expertise, underpinned by deep local market knowledge and proprietary data across port, shipyard and offshore environments.

Beyond Australia and New Zealand, our regional presence enables us to support maritime operations across the Pacific Islands, where marine transport is critical to economic activity and infrastructure development.

Backed by ABL's global network across 40+ countries, and an extensive footprint across Asia Pacific, we provide seamless, integrated support to both national and international clients - delivering consistent expertise across projects of all scales.

With established presence in major maritime hubs including Sydney, Singapore, Dubai, London, New York and Rio de Janeiro, ABL is a trusted technical partner to maritime insurers, investors, legal advisors and shipowners worldwide.

Our Services

- **24/7 Maritime Casualty Response**
- Hull & machinery (H&M) claims
- Protection & indemnity (P&I) claims
- Marine casualty management
- Marine & engineering consulting
- Expert witness
- Superyacht services
- Marine assurance
- Marine warranty survey (MWS)
- Salvage & wreck removal support
- Shipyard and ship construction management
- Ports and terminals consulting
- Navigational risk analysis
- Technical due diligence
- Emissions consulting, alternative fuel engineering & clean shipping solutions
- Naval architecture and ship design (with sister company Longitude Australia)



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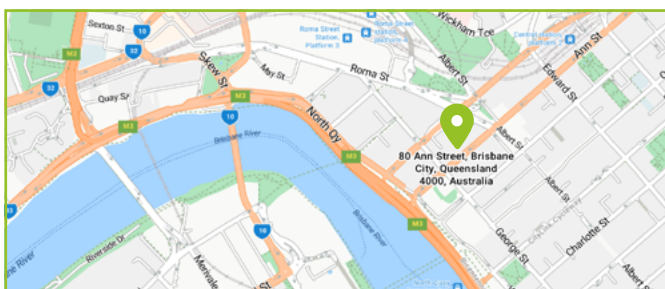
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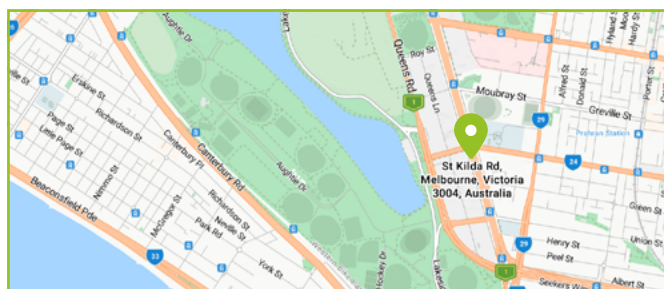
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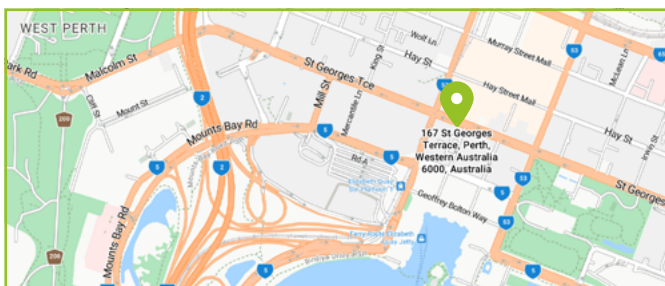
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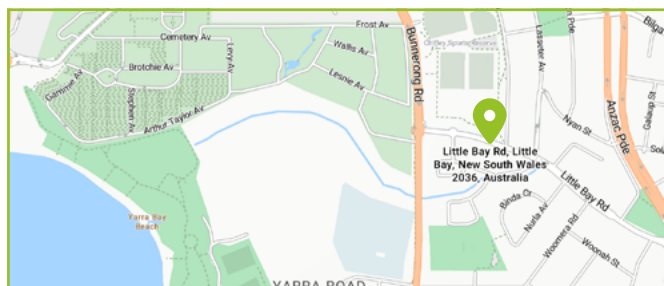
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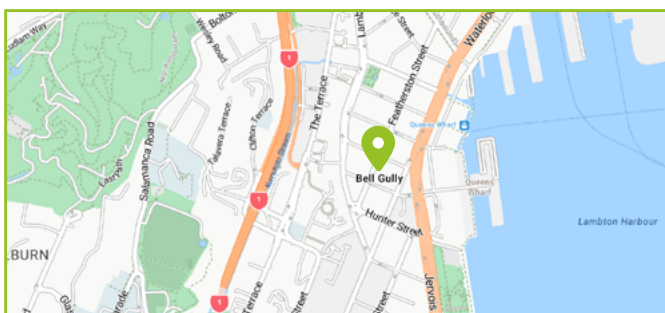
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Simon is ABL's Regional Managing Director for ABL with full Management responsibility for the Asia Pacific Region, He is a UK qualified Master Mariner with extensive experience as a Managing Director / Senior Executive in the Energy and specialist Marine / Shipping industry with over 30 years relevant industry experience.

His seagoing experience includes Cable Repair & Installation, Subsea Operations, Towage, Offshore Construction, Anchor Handling, General Cargo & Container Vessels as well as significant operational DP and specialist operations as Senior DPO. Further, Simon has experience as Project Manager/Master in the conversion of OSV's into Subsea Cable Lay/Repair Vessels. Prior to moving into Shore Management positions, he served as Master holding Command of sophisticated Offshore Vessels undertaking a variety of complex projects in the Marine Services and Upstream oil & gas markets.

He has subsequently developed a strong record of providing specialist Marine Management and Operations Consultancy services, where he has undertaken and been involved with numerous complex Consultancy projects.

Simon has held Senior Management roles with Leading, globally recognised Marine Services & Consultancy businesses and has experience of all aspects of Business Management, in several locations internationally, including Asia Pacific, Australia, Middle East, Africa and Europe. In his current role, he manages a Team of over 200 people across APAC.

Previously, as Managing Director, Africa and North-West Europe for Swire Pacific Offshore, he held full P&L, Operational, Commercial and HSEQ responsibility for a fleet of over 35 Offshore Support Vessels and a P&L of USD 200m.



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Industry professional with over thirty-five years' experience across shipping, oil & gas, insurance, and marine consultancy service lines. Extensive offshore operational experience gained as both Marine Warranty Surveyor (MWS) and Client Marine Representative, providing "hands-on" Project Execution and Consultancy support for complex marine operations globally, including Australia, Europe, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia.

Strong background in offshore operations, including rig move approvals, procedure reviews, geotechnical and site assessments, offshore attendance, and HAZID/HAZOP facilitation for MODU fleets. Former Marine Manager (Noble Denton, Jakarta), supporting Transocean's jack-up fleet operations. Jason has held executive & senior management roles with leading global marine & engineering consultancy & shipping businesses internationally located in Europe, Southeast Asia & Australia.

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Mattias is a Principal Technical Consultant and DP Subject Matter Expert with over 25 years of experience across maritime and offshore oil & gas sectors. His career spans seagoing roles up to Chief Engineer on DP2 offshore vessels, followed by extensive global consultancy work in DP systems, offshore construction, and marine assurance.

He has delivered complex DP and marine assurance projects worldwide, including FMEA development and trials, annual DP trials, rig move support, offshore construction campaigns, and vessel inspections. Mattias has acted as Marine Warranty Surveyor, Client Representative, and technical authority on high-value offshore operations, ensuring compliance with class, IMCA, MTS, and OCIMF standards. He has also worked for an oil major as Rig Move Coordinator, managing and organising all rig moves and acting as Marine Representative on jack-up operations, providing direct client-side assurance and oversight.

He also brings extensive experience in H&M and P&I matters, providing technical assessments, claims support, and advisory services to insurers and clients, combining deep operational knowledge with risk-based analysis.

With a strong operational background combined with consultancy experience across Europe, the Middle East, Africa, South America, Asia, and Australia, he provides practical, risk-based advice to clients, focusing on safe, efficient, and commercially sound outcomes.

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Rod is an accomplished Master Mariner and Marine Assurance Manager with extensive experience across offshore marine operations, vessel management, and assurance services within the oil & gas sector. He has held senior roles both offshore and ashore, including Marine Manager, Marine Superintendent, and Tow Master, supporting complex offshore operations across the Asia-Pacific region.

He has significant expertise in rig move operations, having acted as Tow Master, Marine Warranty Surveyor, and Client Site Representative on numerous jack-up and semi-submersible rig moves, including deepwater mooring operations. Rod has also led marine assurance activities for major operators, ensuring vessel compliance, suitability, and operational readiness.

Rod is highly experienced in developing and implementing Safety Management Systems in line with ISM Code and industry best practices, alongside conducting marine audits, incident investigations, and DP crew competency assessments. His practical leadership approach and strong operational background ensure safe, compliant, and efficient delivery of marine operations.

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Richard is a Marine Manager and Master Mariner with over 40 years of experience in the maritime and offshore industries, spanning both seagoing and shore-based roles. He has extensive experience in marine warranty surveying and offshore construction projects, having worked on major LNG and infrastructure developments across Australia and internationally.

He has held senior leadership roles, including Australian Area Manager for Braemar Offshore, with responsibility for business development, operational delivery, and client engagement, while remaining actively involved in field operations as a Marine Warranty Surveyor. His experience includes load-out, transportation and installation campaigns, towage approvals, anchor handling operations, and offshore attendance on complex projects.

Richard also brings significant experience as a P&I correspondent and Flag State surveyor. His background includes cargo surveying for bulk commodities and tanker operations, as well as involvement in incident response and recovery projects.

With strong technical expertise and a practical, client-focused approach, Richard consistently delivers safe, compliant, and efficient outcomes across marine assurance and offshore project activities.

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Jooste is a Marine Assurance Manager and Master Mariner with over 25 years of experience in the maritime and offshore oil & gas industries, including more than 20 years in offshore operations. His seagoing career on anchor handling and towing vessels, combined with senior shore-based management roles, provides him with deep operational and commercial understanding of marine projects.

He has extensive hands-on experience in anchor handling, towing, rig moves, and DP operations, including FPSO heading control, barge operations, and offshore supply activities. Transitioning into consultancy and management roles, Jooste has been involved in a wide range of marine assurance activities, including vessel inspections, MWS services, and offshore project execution across the Asia-Pacific region.

Jooste is highly experienced in conducting OVID and eCMID inspections, DP assurance activities, and vessel suitability surveys across a broad range of offshore assets. He has also supported marine casualty investigations and H&M and P&I-related matters, providing technical insight and reporting to clients and insurers.

With strong leadership experience as Regional Operations Manager and Marine Manager, he combines operational expertise with business acumen, supporting project delivery, client development, and team leadership while consistently ensuring safe, compliant, and efficient outcomes.

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Brechin is a Marine Assurance Manager and Master Mariner with broad operational experience across offshore oil & gas and commercial shipping sectors. His background spans DP offshore support vessels, AHTS operations, bulk carriers, tankers, and specialist vessels, including research and expedition vessels.

He has supported marine assurance activities including vessel inspections, MWS scopes, and offshore operations, alongside experience in heavy lift projects, cargo operations, and port interface roles as a loadmaster and pilot. His strong operational background, combined with practical hands-on experience, enables him to deliver safe, compliant, and efficient outcomes in support of marine projects.

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He holds a Bachelors and Master's degree in Naval Architecture with over 20 years' experience in the marine consultancy space. After spending his early years as Project Engineer in the yard as Owners rep for various new build yachts, crew boats, RORR's, AHT's etc, he spent the next 15 years based out of the Middle East carrying out H&M, P&I casualty investigation, condition surveys and towage approvals. During the same period, been assigned as Project Manager and Marine Warranty surveyor for various offshore, onshore load out / load in, transportation, heavy lift / float over installations across the Middle East, Africa and Far East regions.

Sujith is a Principal Naval Architect and Engineering Manager providing leadership to various offshore and marine project teams, ensuring that technical excellence, cost, schedule and contractual requirements are achieved. In his current role, he manages a team of 10 engineering technical staff and participates in project management, design approval and tendering process management for projects spanning across APAC region.

He also brings extensive experience in H&M and P&I matters, having been involved with multiple high value casualty claims spanning West Africa, Middle East, Far East and most recently in Australia. Since August 2022 have been based in Perth, Western Australia and works closely with the Marine team of ABL to assist with vessel inspections, offshore operations and other rig move scopes.

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Wei-Yang joined ABL Group in 2018 and is a Chartered Civil Engineer and experienced Project Manager in consulting and delivery on medium to complex heavy commercial and industrial projects, including ports, harbours, bulk and shipping container terminals, and airports.

Wei-Yang has a wide range of experience in design office and site-based projects for respective multidisciplinary consulting and construction firms, primarily in the United Kingdom and Australia. Overseas experience also gained from assignments in Europe, Middle East, India and China.

Wei-Yang has been principally engaged in management and commercial roles with responsibilities in feasibility studies, design management, contract administration, project risk assessments, programme and cost control, claim valuations, and quality assurance.

New Zealand Maritime Key Profile



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Tash Hallett is an experienced maritime security and national resilience specialist with over twenty years working across strategic and operational roles in New Zealand's public sector. Currently serving as the Senior Maritime Security Consultant at ABL Group, Tash supports ports and maritime stakeholders across New Zealand and the Pacific with practical, tailored solutions for ISPS Code compliance, port facility assessments, training and exercises. Her expertise is grounded in an understanding of regulatory frameworks, international collaboration, and cross-agency engagement.

Tash previously held leadership roles within Maritime NZ and was instrumental in shaping national maritime security policy and response capability. She has been recognised by the U.S. Coast Guard and the Australasian Women in Emergencies Network for her contributions to regional maritime security and women's leadership. Her work has extended into the Pacific, where she has led capacity-building projects in port infrastructure, security design and disaster resilience.

Beyond her consultancy, Tash is an active member of WISTA (Women's International Shipping and Trading Association), advocating for cultural inclusivity and empowering women in the maritime sector. She is known for her strategic insight, strong stakeholder relationships, and unwavering commitment to practical outcomes that strengthen security, safety and sustainability in the maritime domain.