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OF DENMARK**

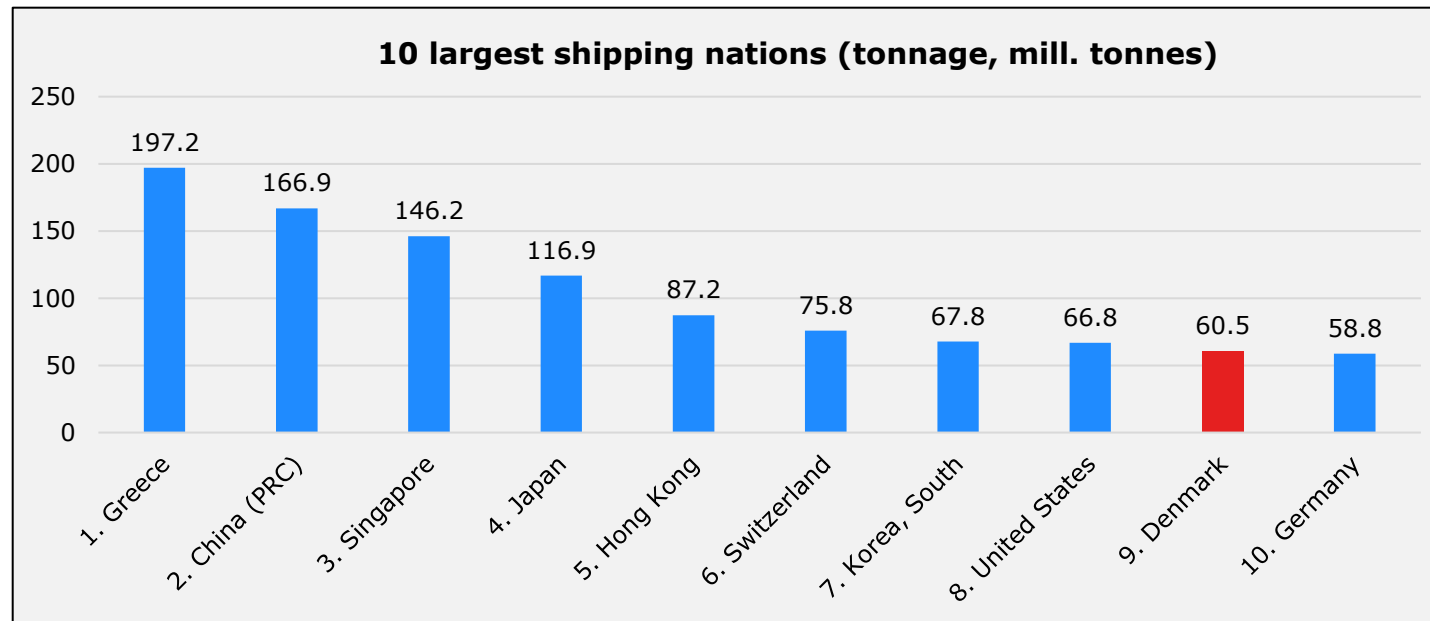
GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR MARITIME SECURITY 2025-2028

Working Group 3 on Operational Cooperation and Coordination at Sea

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DENMARK A LEADING MARITIME NATION

- **9th largest** maritime nation
- **26,000 employees** in national shipping companies
- **Largest export industry** (shipping is **18%** of total exports)



Source: Danish Shipping (2025) based on S&P Maritime Portal

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

- Replaces priority papers with focus on piracy
 - Increasing pressure on rules-based world order and shifting geopolitical landscape highlight need to adapt
 - Need to broaden response to effectively counter emerging threats to freedom of navigation



CENTRAL ELEMENTS

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Core focus

- Address **international** maritime security challenges (beyond Danish territorial waters and EEZ).
- Counter threats to **freedom of navigation**, incl. from state-sponsored actors.
- Ensure coordinated, **whole-of-government** approach.

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Principles

- Protect Danish **maritime interests** in increasingly complex geopolitical environment.
- Safeguard the **rules-based world** order (**UNCLOS**) and compliance with international law.
- Strengthen maritime security through **multilateral and regional cooperation**.

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Strategic efforts

- Activities **at sea**.
- Partnerships on **information-sharing** and effective monitoring of the maritime domain.
- International **capacity building** and cooperation.

1. ACTIVITIES AT SEA

- Safeguarding freedom of navigation through active support for NATO's maritime policies and efforts.
- Engage in EU maritime operations, and promote EU's role as a maritime security provider.
- Advancing and streamlining maritime security legislation in international forums.



2. PARTNERSHIPS ON INFORMATION-SHARING AND EFFECTIVE MONITORING OF THE MARITIME DOMAIN

- Engage in international and regional fora to improve monitoring and effective information exchange.
 - *Djibouti Code of Conduct, Yaoundé Code of Conduct*
- Support EU as lead in monitoring maritime domain.
 - *EMSA, CISE, MARSUR, YARIS, IORIS*
- Explore bilateral agreements on information sharing and working towards increased public-private cooperation.



3. INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING AND COOPERATION

- Support training to build capacity to ensure stabilization and prevent crime that threatens maritime security.
- Address root causes of piracy (poverty, weak institutions, corruption, climate change).
- Africa-led solutions to African problems (*Africa Strategy*).
- Strengthen local prosecution of maritime crime.
- Strengthen Denmark's role in international and regional cooperation on maritime security.
- Strengthen EU's ability to become African countries' preferred partner on maritime security.



NATIONAL CONTACT GROUP FOR MARITIME SECURITY

- Established to review progress, exchange knowledge, and recommend updates to keep national efforts aligned with global developments.
- Consists of representatives from public authorities, the shipping and maritime industry, knowledge institutions.



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SCAN TO ACCESS FULL STRATEGY

