

DAMIEN ALASIR MURANDI

CRUISE SHIP CHIEF ENGINEER | MARITIME CONSULTANT
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EDUCATION

2010 – 2013

University of Tasmania
MSc – MARINE ENGINEERING

2003 – 2008

University of Suffolk
BSc – MARINE ENGINEERING

MEMBERSHIP

2020: Member – STCW A-VI/1-2/0938

STCW Fire Prevention and
firefighting (FPFF)

2018: Member – STCW A-VI/1-1

STCW Personal survival
techniques (PST)

OTHER SKILLS

Excellent Communication
Analytical and Critical thinking
Planning and Coordination
Team Leadership
Appraisals & Metrics
Learning & Development
Regulatory Compliance
Time management

CAREER PROFILE

Highly skilled and experienced Cruise Ship Chief Engineer with a proven track record of excellence in overseeing and managing engineering department on board cruise ships coupled with in-depth knowledge of marine engineering systems, standard operating procedures, safety regulations and industry best practices to ensure smooth operations and maintenance of all ship machinery.

With a strategic and proactive approach, I have streamlined maintenance operations, implemented preventive maintenance programs and introduced cutting-edge technologies resulting in operational efficiency, cost optimization, smooth operations, strategic innovations and improved equipment reliability. Successfully achieved an exceptional safety record and created a culture of safety awareness among engineering teams.

Adept at developing and leading highly competent teams, recruitment of skilled engineers, talent and skill retention, fostering a collaborative and positive work environment with other shipboard departments as well as facilitating seamless coordination for maintenance activities to ensure uninterrupted operation of the vessel and guest satisfaction.

Furthermore, successfully managed capital projects, handled emergency situations with composure, oversaw installation and upgrade of propulsion systems, electrical systems and HVAC systems resulting in enhanced efficiency and guest comfort.

SKILLS & COMPETENCIES

- Engineering expertise, Maintenance processes and control systems.
- Overseeing the maintenance and repair schedules of all engineering systems
- Safety procedures and regulations including those related to fire prevention, lifesaving equipment and emergency response.
- Planning and executing preventative maintenance programmes, coordinating with suppliers and contractors for repairs and ensuring compliance with safety regulations and industry standards.
- Operations management, long term planning and administration.
- Formulation of functional internal controls and SOPs.

WORK EXPERIENCES

AUG 2016 – PRESENT | CRUISEAWAY PTY LTD | HEAD ENGINEER

- Providing technical leadership to the engineering team alongside overseeing the design, installation, and deployment of base station equipment, ensuring that it meets the required specifications and standards.
- Monitoring and optimizing the performance of the base station network including analyzing network data, conducting performance evaluations, troubleshooting network issues, and implementing corrective measures to enhance the overall network performance.
- Planning and coordinating equipment maintenance activities to ensure the base station operates reliably and efficiently. This involves developing maintenance schedules, managing equipment inventory, and coordinating repairs and upgrades as necessary.
- Leading a team of engineers and technicians, providing guidance, mentorship, and support. This includes managing staffing, training, and performance evaluations and collaborating with cross-functional teams such as network operations, project management, and procurement, to ensure smooth coordination and execution of base station activities.
- Managing departmental budget and resources effectively. This involves planning and forecasting resource requirements, managing expenses and making strategic decisions resources allocation.
- Conducting research on emerging technologies, evaluating their potential impact, and recommending innovative solutions to enhance the base station's performance and efficiency.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

- Developed and implemented a preventive maintenance program, resulting in a significant reduction in equipment breakdowns and downtime, established efficient work schedules and task allocation procedures, leading to improved productivity and cost savings and introduced a computerized maintenance management system, enhancing maintenance tracking and planning capabilities.
- Successfully ensured compliance with maritime regulations, industry standards, and class society requirements, resulting in zero safety violations or incidents under my leadership.
- Proactively identified and addressed safety risks, resulting in improved safety culture and increased crew awareness. Implemented comprehensive safety training programs for the engineering team, leading to a significant reduction in accidents and near misses.
- Implemented cost-saving measures, leading to reduced maintenance and repair expenses without compromising safety or operational efficiency. Optimized energy consumption by implementing energy-saving initiatives, resulting in reduced fuel consumption and environmental impact.
- Led the successful installation of new propulsion systems, resulting in increased efficiency and reduced fuel consumption and oversaw the refit of the ship's HVAC systems, resulting in improved passenger comfort and energy efficiency.
- Successfully handled critical situations such as power outages, mechanical failures, and emergency repairs, ensuring minimal disruption to guest satisfaction and safety.

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