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Agenda

- Process/Role of Class
- What Lies Ahead?
Class in the Future
- Legal Discussion
on Class Exposure
to Liability



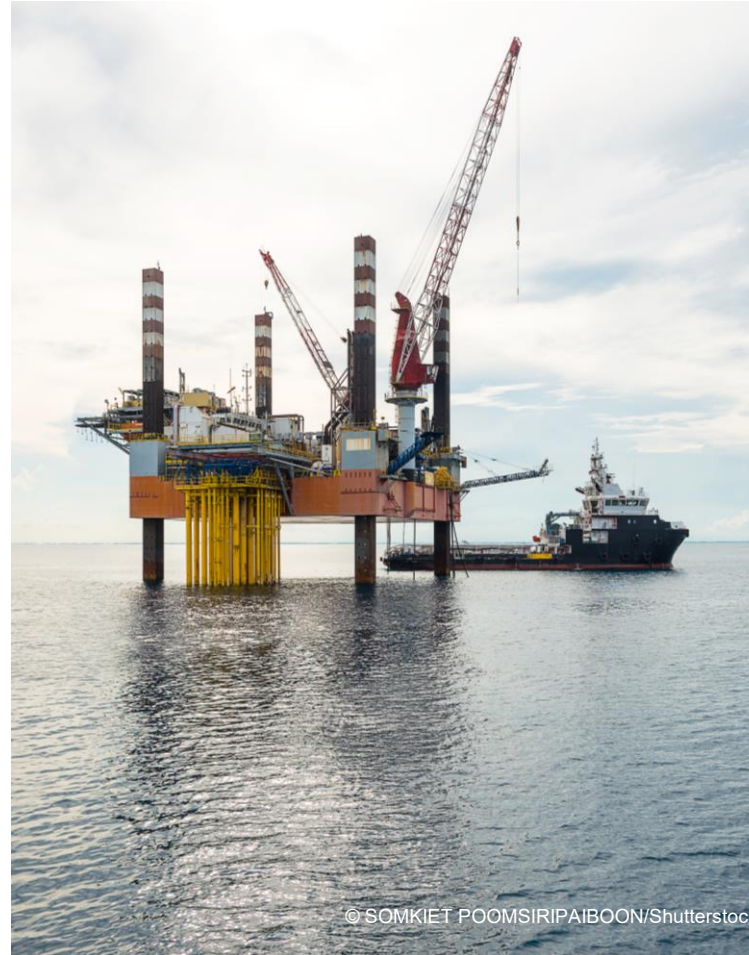
Classification: Process/Role

- Class societies establish and apply technical standards for the design, construction and survey of marine related facilities, including vessels and offshore structures
- Maintain a Register of Vessels and Offshore Structures



Classification: Process/Role (cont'd)

- Classification is a Process
 - Technical standards (Rules and Guides) are not design codes
 - Technical plan review and design approval according to Rules
 - Surveys during new construction and equipment certification according to the Rules
 - Subsequent, periodic surveys for maintenance of class
 - Survey of damages, repairs and modifications



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