

Nigel has been involved in Shipping for 44 years and with the commercial bunker market for 23 years. After Joining Shell Tankers 1966 , he progressed through the ranks serving on all classes of vessel, steam and motor, including VLCC's and LNG tankers.

Nigel came ashore in 1979 to join the new building department of Shell International Marine. In 1986 he moved to the commercial department as a bunker buyer and economics analyst. In 1988 he was promoted to the Head of Operational Economics, responsible for all of the fuel purchase for the Shell fleet and the operation of the fuel price risk management policy and the performance of the owned fleet.

Part of Nigel's responsibilities in the Operations division included the investigation and conduct of bunker claims and the technical resolution of bunker problems.

In March 1996 he joined the staff of E.A.Gibson Shipbrokers Ltd. in the bunker department. He is currently technical manager of LQM Petroleum Services Inc. which took over the bunker broking activities of Gibsons in 2006. Nigel has participated in IMO sub committees on bunker quality as an observer for OCIMF. He has lectured on operational, commercial and technical aspects of shipping for the last 22 years for his employers, for IBIA, for the College of Petroleum Studies , for Petrosport , for Lloyds Marine Academy and at many conferences worldwide.

Nigel is a founder member of the International Bunker Industry Association. As a member of the council he held the Safety Working Group portfolio for 3 years and served as co-ordinator of the Education Working Group. He is a member of the board and serves as Honary Treasurer of the Association.

Nigel is a member of the Institute of Marine Engineering Science and Technology. He is a supporting member of LMAA. He is a qualified Marine Engineer and a qualified Quality System Auditor. Nigel is Past Master of the Worshipful Company of Fuellers and Past Charman of its charitable trust.

He is the author of three books on bunkering.