# RELATIONAL CONTRACTS IN SERVITIZATION CONTRACTS. COST AND RISKS

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#### Conditions in the shipping industry:

Global rates dropped due to over capacity

The all-out price war in 2011

High competition

Defending market shares

Low margins, lower profits and lower cash reserves

One way to deal with the market situation is by strategic alliances

Maersk Line, Limited (MLL) "We partner with small and large companies that are well positioned to deliver top-quality services and provide the best solutions to resolve our customers' challenges. We rely upon our network of partners to augment our skills in commercial and government contracting while reducing the total cost of ownership. Our strategic alliances provide us the flexibility to assemble a team having the specialized experience and unique knowledge necessary to fulfill any requirements."

Hapag-Lloyd AG and five Asian carriers form a new vessel-sharing :

"Through this robust network, THE Alliance will offer a superior, reliable, efficient, and wide ranging product suite to shippers in the East/West lanes. The partners of THE Alliance will keep the market informed about further steps and the final, more precise service rotations."

The Ocean Alliance:
CMA CGM +
China CoscoShipping +
Evergreen Line +
OOCL:

"This new partnership will allow each of its members to bring significantly improved services to its respective customers. Shippers will have ... access to a vast network with the largest number of sailings and port rotations connecting markets in Asia, Europe and the United States."

# Advantages strategic alliances in the shipping industry:

- Improve innovation
- Reduce costs by collaboration sharing cost
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- Improve operational management
- Service improvement
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- Increase market share
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- Increase profits
- Increase competitive advantages
- Share resources
- New markets

#### Who can "alliance"

Container shipping companies, Shippers, Freight forwarders, Shipping agents, Terminal operators, Customs clearance, Stevedore companies, warehouse service, Truckers, Inland warehouse operators, Railway transportation Consignees

The contract is the game changer in a strategi alliance

The aim is joint utility

 The traditional contract builds on selfoptimization

The strategic contract must flip the incentives

| The cost of the | wrong contract |           |
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**Self optimize** 







| Relational contracts                       | Traditional contracts and maritime contract law |
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| Joint-optimizing                           | Self-optimizing                                 |
| Proces and management                      | Delivery /specifications                        |
| Trust and collaboration                    | Control   |
| Sharing of Information                     | KPI   |
| Positive incentives and allocation of gain | Damages / penalties and cost control            |
| Alternative dispute resolution             | Court solution                                  |
| Education – also back office               | Business as usual                               |

# BlueINNO+ Project 15 – Part B

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#### Purpose

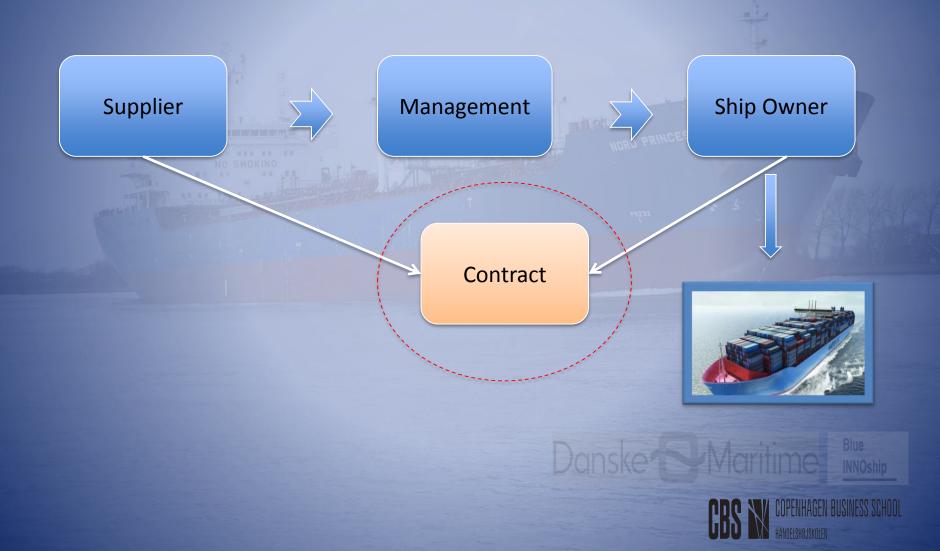
Optimizing the contracts between shipowners and suppliers.

### By the means of

- Partnering
- Strategic alliances



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# Thank you for your attention

