

# Seventh City of London Biennial Meeting 2013

**Investing in Eco Ships** 

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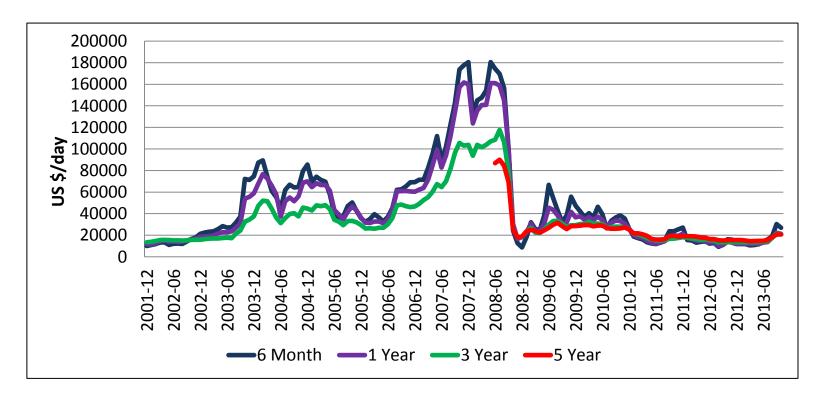
# The Past 10 years for shipping

### **The Shipping Market: Beauty or the Beast?**

- Evolution of freight rates and earnings
  - Start of the rise in freight rates in Oct 2003
  - reaching a pick in April/May 2008
  - collapsing in September 2008
  - Some blip and small increases since then but not sustained
- Increase in oil and fuel prices
  - from less than \$200/mt to over \$600/mt
  - remain high today
- Problems in financing ships
  - over financing before 2008
  - defaults, bad debt and distress sales since then
  - higher cost of finance today
- New Regulations!
  - Energy Efficiency, Emissions, Sox, Nox, BWT

# Capesize freight earnings

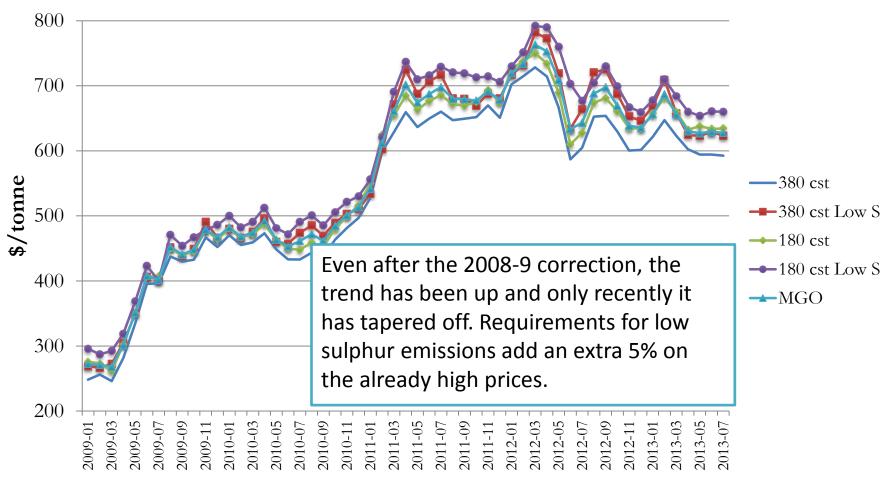
Period	Average 6m TC \$/day	Volatility
2003 to 2008 Good days	74,227	87%
2009 to 2013 Last 5 years	25143	88%
2011 to 2013 Last 2 years	15980	73%



## **Bunker costs**

#### Monthly average prices based on Rotterdam-Houston-Fujairah-Singapore

(Rotterdam-Hamburg-Denmark-Houston for Low S)



# **Current Challenges in Shipping**

### **Between a Rock and a Hard Place!**

### Regulations

- Clean Air
  - Energy Efficiency, Emissions Control, SOx and NOx (Tier I, II, III)
- Clean Seas
  - Ballast Water Treatment (BWT)

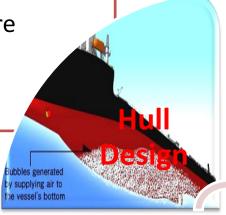
#### Market variables

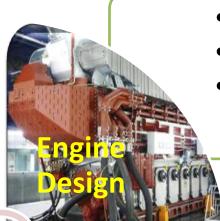
- Fuel Cost
  - Increase in fuel prices and volatility
- Low Freight Earnings
  - Oversupply and slow growth in demand
- Financial Costs
  - Finance (high risk & high margins)

# **Eco Ships Design and Systems**

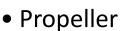


• Light structure

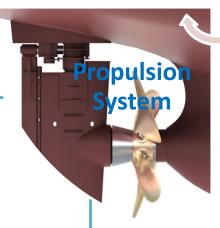




- LNG Fuel
- Duel Fuel
- Slow RPM



ducts, fins, bulbs





- Chemical treatment
- Physical Filters

## Retrofit

#### Fuel Efficiency

- Propeller system
- Engine Fuel system (LNG or Duel Fuel)

#### Emission compliance

- Fitting Scrubbers and EGR
- Use of LSFO, MGO or LNG
- Exhaust Gas recirculation

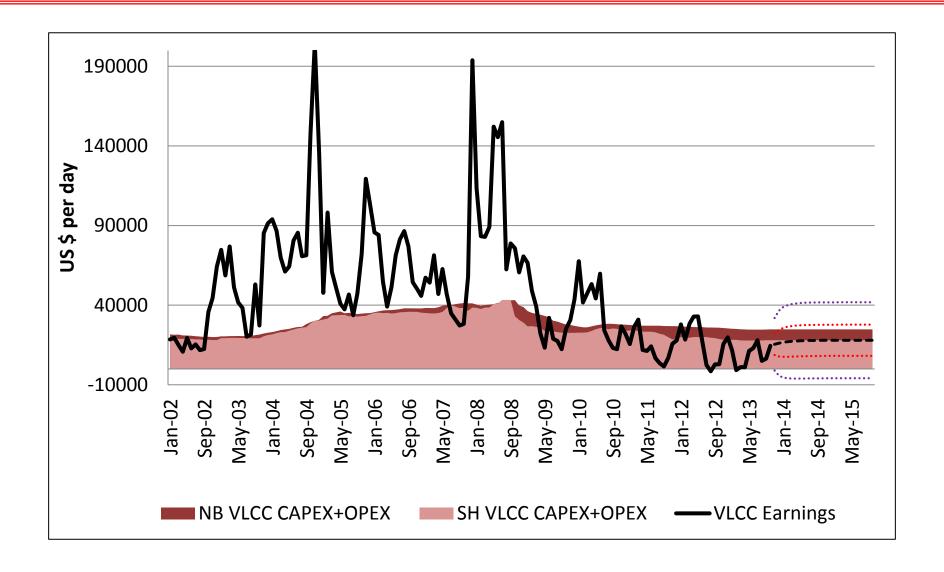
#### Ballast Water Treatment

- Fitting filters and treatment systems
- Costs seem to be a hindrance (\$2m to more than \$8m)
- Vessel could be out of service
- Space on board for LNG tanks, BWT system, etc.
- Additional training required
- Possible changes in capacity and stability of the vessel

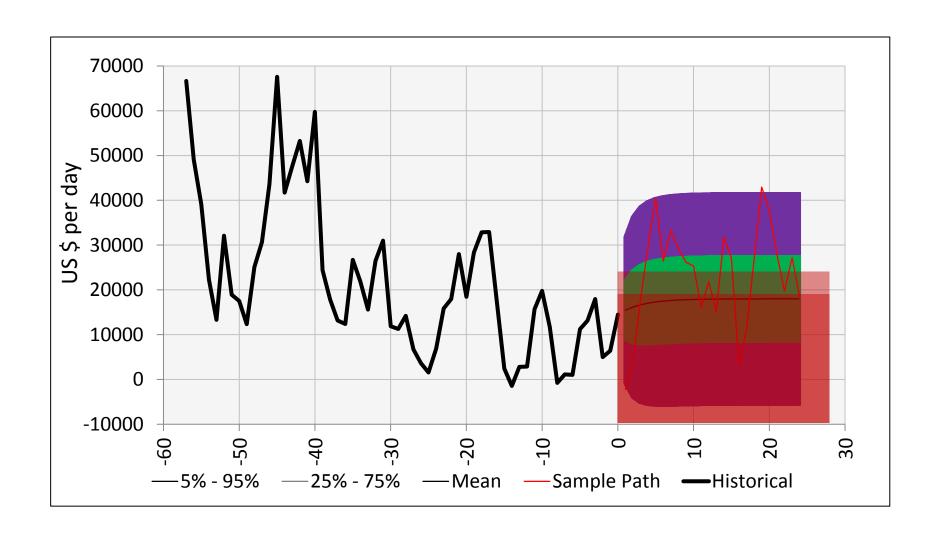
# **A Simulation Exercise**

	320k dwt VLCC	180k dwt Capesize		
OPEX	\$7000/day \$7000/day			
CAPEX				
Interest rate	LIBOR+3%	LIBOR+3%		
Loan term	8 Years	8 Years		
Loan amount	70% of value	70% of value		
Balloon	30% of loan	30% of loan		
Simulation				
NB Value Oct 2013	\$91m	\$52.5m		
SH Value Oct 2013	\$56m	\$40m		
Fixed LIBOR Oct 2013	0.362%	0.362%		

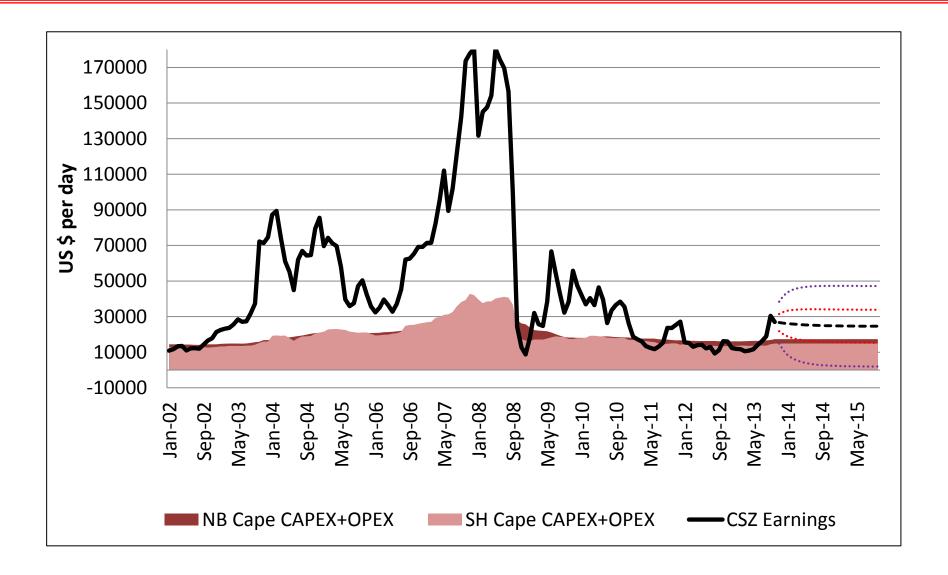
## **VLCC Earnings against CAPEX+OPEX**



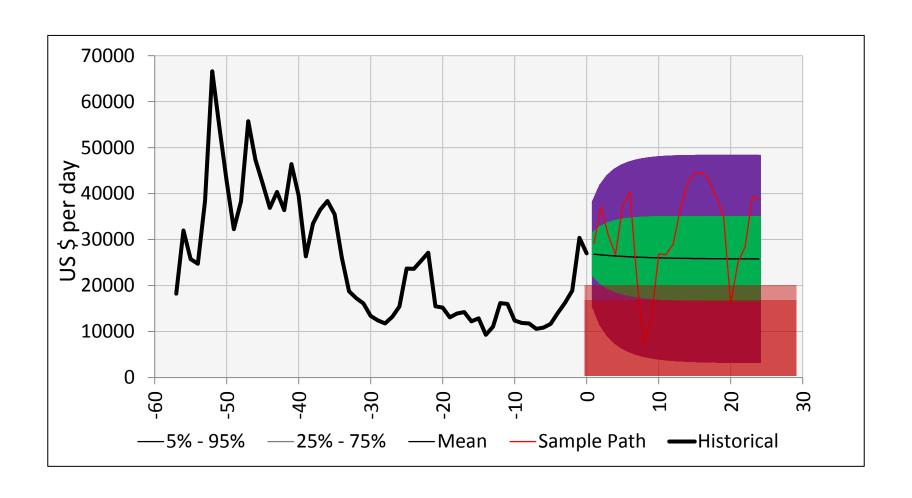
## **VLCC Earnings against CAPEX+OPEX**



## Capesize Earnings against CAPEX+OPEX



## Capesize Earnings against CAPEX+OPEX



## **Full Simulation Exercise**

- All ships sizes and sectors
- Other variables in full simulation model
  - Growth in International Trade
  - Supply condition (orders and deliveries)
  - Freight market balance and rates
  - Fuel prices (HFO, LSFO, LNG)
  - Interest rate and finance conditions

#### Results

- Break Even freight rate (earnings) higher that current earnings
- Probability of earnings being above BE remains low
- Probability of earnings being below BE remains relatively high

# Investing in Eco Ships and Risks

## Investing in Eco ships?

- Uncertainty around the performance of Eco ships
- Can lead to even more oversupply
- Expensive compared to exiting second-hand ships
- Might be more attractive for large companies

#### Upside potential

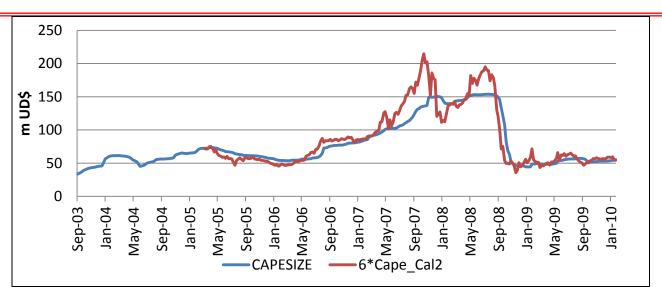
- Meeting tight environmental regulations
- Premium on fuel efficiency if fuel prices remain high or increase

#### Downside risk

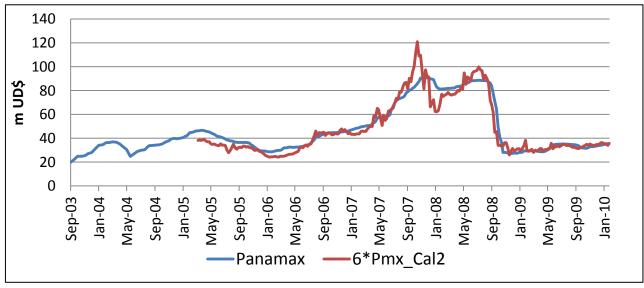
- Rise in interest rates and capital costs
- Higher maintenance costs
- Fall in fuel prices

# Ship Values as Multiples of Earnings

Baltic Ship Value
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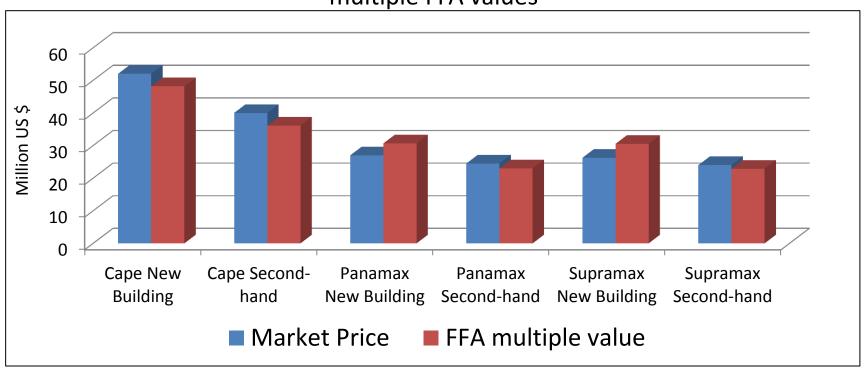


Baltic Ship Value
Assessments and 2<sup>nd</sup>
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carriers



# Ship Values as Multiples of Earnings

Market price and second-hand values of dry bulk carriers against their multiple FFA values



	Cape New	Cape Second-	Panamax	Panamax	Supramax	Supramax
	Building	hand	<b>New Building</b>	Second-hand	<b>New Building</b>	Second-hand
Market Price	52	40	27	24.5	26.25	24
FFA multiple value	48.2	36.1	30.7	23.0	30.5	22.9

## Conclusions

- Shipowners are still to be convinced on how efficient eco ships can be
- Oversupply is a big problem for recovery
- The uncertainty on future freight, bunker prices, economic growth and trade
- Financial costs in this depressed market condition is another hindrance
- Risk of rise in interest rates



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