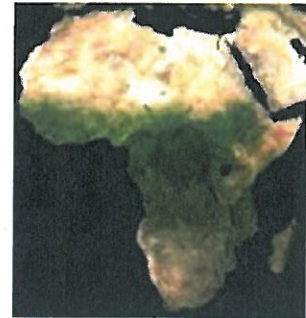


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ICS FRIENDSHIP SPURS AFRICAN NETWORK

Two members of the ICS are at the forefront of a new London-based network, Afrimari (African Maritime). Temi Binitie, senior charterer at AET, and Gemina Cooper, liquefied petroleum gas broker at Braemar Seascopes, founded the group, for specialists in maritime related services who have professional connections and interest in Africa.



From a first meeting in 2010 of just a dozen people, Afrimari has grown to attract more than 80 to its most recent London meeting, where Steve Wilson in opening remarks, on behalf of sponsor Braemar Seascopes, highlighted the importance of Africa as the next global frontier and offered full support for Afrimari's vision.

The evening featured a presentation by Mustapha Fasinro, founding partner and chief executive of Linetrade Group, a leading Nigerian energy trader. Temi and Gemina became firm friends while studying for their ICS qualifications at METL, and the spark for creating Afrimari was lit soon afterwards when they heard an inspiring speech at Westminster by US civil rights activist the Rev Jesse Jackson encouraging people to reach out across frontiers. Afrimari website is www.afrimari.com.