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generation of Kevlar, Du Pont's para-aramid fibre, now also produced in Maydown, Northern Ireland, is further strengthened by the launch of Kevlar Hp — for high performance — which combines the properties of high tensile strength and increased modulus. It is especially suited to applications in sports equipment and marine composites.

Du Pont's line of engineered fibre structures, such as Tyvek, now produced in Luxemburg, and Sontara, a spunlaced non-woven, now also sold in Europe, were also highlighted at this exhibition.

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New Professor at WMU

Patrick Alderton has been appointed Course Professor of Ports and Shipping Administration at the World Maritime University (WMU), Malmö, Sweden. He was formerly Director of Transport Studies at London's City University.

Following a sea-going career, Professor Alderton joined City University in the 1960s, with responsibilities for co-ordinating the work of the Transport Division. He was Course Organiser and Admissions Tutor for the full-time Shipping Diploma and Certificate, and Chairman of the Shipping Examination Board.

Ports and Shipping Administration is one of seven Master of Science degree

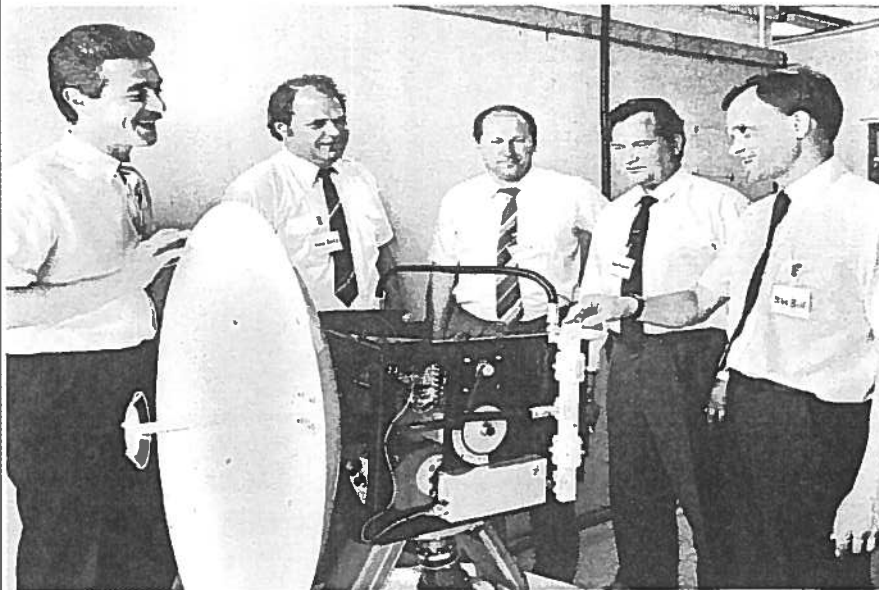


Professor Patrick Alderton

courses offered by the WMU, established by the International Maritime Organization. There are currently 26 students from 23 countries taking the course — including five women.

Professor Alderton says: "Ports and Shipping Administration is an intense and demanding course, both from a teaching and learning point of view, but very rewarding. It examines maritime administration from a commercial standpoint and gives students a global

Soviets and satcom



The photograph shows electronic engineers from Odessa-based Black Sea Shipping Company (BLASCO) working on a Japan Radio Corporation (JRC) JUE-45/A satellite communications unit (satcom) during their 12-day course at the Avonmouth premises of marine electronics specialists, Broadgate Ltd.

Broadgate Ltd is supplying the Soviet shipping group with satcom units and

other systems for its vessels, which trade worldwide.

In the photograph (right to left) are Broadgate's Michael Bull, Senior Electronics Engineer; Mr Genna Bogomolov, the Deputy Manager of BLASCO's Electro-Radionavigation Department, together with three colleagues.

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perspective. Our students will play a major role in shaping both national and international shipping policy in the years to come."

Professor Alderton holds an Extra Master's Certificate and is the author of some 30 papers on shipping-related matters, including the book *Sea Transport Operation and Economics*. He has been the editor of *Reeds Nautical Almanac* since 1970.

Cosalt Salcombe Marine Ltd

It has been announced that Cosalt, with nine UK-based service stations, has purchased Salcombe Marine Limited in South Devon. The company will be renamed Cosalt Salcombe Marine Limited.

This latest acquisition strengthens even further, Cosalt's intention of becoming a major force in the European safety at sea industry.

Says Sid Clark, Cosalt's Safety at Sea Co-ordinator, "Alongside our introduction of a completely new range of TyCo lifejackets, the linking of Cosalt Salcombe Marine to our existing network now makes Cosalt the UK's largest marine safety service organization. More importantly, the acquisition allows us to advance our interests into the more leisure orientated sector of the market.

"Cosalt are extremely strong in marine safety, particularly in the fishing sector. It is very much our intention to intensify our progress in the leisure, commercial, offshore, and passenger marine segments of the market place."

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GL/Fidenavis co-operation

The Hamburg-based international classification society, Germanischer Lloyd, is to acquire a major stake in the Spanish classification society Fidenavis SA, Sociedad Espanola de Clasificacion y Registro de Buques in Madrid. Both societies are at present preparing for extensive co-operation.

Fidenavis will retain its identity as a national classification society and aims to strengthen its position in the marketplace. This will help prepare both societies for the growth in business expected within the European Community after 1992.

The classification-related activities of Fidenavis are wide-ranging, and include technical and safety appraisals of ships, hydraulic engineering, offshore and container projects, statutory services and other industrial projects. All of Fidenavis' activities will be carried out according to Germanischer Lloyd's regulations, guidelines, rules and technical research. Both societies' surveyors will co-operate in Spain and worldwide.