

NOVEMBER 2023 EXAMINATION SESSION THURSDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2023 – AFTERNOON

OFFSHORE SUPPORT INDUSTRY

Time allowed – three hours

Answer any FIVE questions – all questions carry equal marks

Please read the questions carefully before answering

- 1. Answer **ALL** parts of the question.
 - a) Using a diagram to support your answer, describe a modern SOV (Service Operation Vessel), indicating key details, dimensions and capacities.
 - b) Describe the significant features and work scope of this vessel.
 - c) Describe the world regions where these vessels are utilised, using the world map provided to support your answer.
- 2. Identify **FIVE** cargoes that are commonly transported by supply vessels to offshore installations. Describe their use, methods used to ensure safe carriage and how they are transferred to and from an installation.
- 3. Explain **FOUR** of the following terms:
 - i. MHHA
 - ii. Lay-up
 - iii. Taut Wire
 - iv. Moonpool
 - v. OCIMF
 - vi. LARS
- 4. OVID and CMID are regularly encountered in offshore operations. Define these terms and explain their purpose and significance.

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- 5. When fixing a vessel on time charter, discuss what incidents may place a vessel 'off hire' and how this would relate to the charter terms. How would a charterer seek protection from the vessel under-performing?
- 6. Describe how operation, maintenance and service (OMS) functions are generally undertaken in support of an offshore windfarm with particular emphasis on crew transfer arrangements.
- 7. Discuss the regulatory framework and application of offshore industry standards that ensure effective safety management provision is established and maintained within the OSV industry.
- 8. Explain the range of services an offshore broker can offer and discuss how a broker can add value and remain competitive in the modern offshore market.