



# Belships ASA – Q2 update

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# Key investment highlights

Fully integrated dry bulk shipowning and operating company Building on 100 years of history – founded 1918 and stocklisted 1937

Positioned to benefit from tightening market balance

Shareholder friendly strategy and corporate governance

Proven ability to deliver accretive growth

Attractive contract portfolio and spot market performance



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### Belships ASA - Q2 highlights

#### CONTINUED STRONG OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE AND GROWTH

- Operating income of USD 29.6 million (Q2 2018: USD 21.6 m)
- EBITDA of USD 8.0 m (USD 3.5 m)
- Net result of USD 0.1 m (USD -0.1 m) impacted by one-off costs
- All ships operating normally modern fleet average age 7 years
- Efficient utilization and continued outperformance of spot market
- Net TC earnings per ship of USD 10 996 per day versus net BSI index of USD 8 167 per day
- Proposal of dividend payment in Q3 of NOK 0.05 per share
- Private placement successfully completed
- Cash breakeven about USD 7 000 per day for remaining open days next 12 months
- 90% of ship days in Q3 have been booked at USD 11 250 net per day
- All owned Vessels changed to Norwegian flag (NIS)
- Three bareboat charter agreements with purchase options concluded in Q3

#### **Key performance indicators**

Average TCE Q2-19: USD 10,996/day

Spot TCE USD 9,094/day
Net BSI TCE USD 8,167/day<sup>1</sup>

EBITDA: USD 8.0m (18.1m 1H/2019)

Average opex/vessel: USD 4,632/day

Net Result: USD 0.1m (2.6m 1H/2019)

TCE guidance Q3-19: 90% booked at ~USD 11,250/day



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### Fully integrated owner and operator of geared dry bulk vessels

#### Shipowning<sup>1</sup>

Pure play on the dry bulk market, with attractive

portfolio of spot market exposure and charter

backlog

#### **Lighthouse Navigation<sup>2</sup>**

#### **Belships Management**



13x Ultramax



9x Supramax



Commercial Operations delivering outsized spot market performance and operating profits



Complete in-house technical management and crewing platform delivering cost control and operating profits

Three profitable business segments enhancing knowhow and earnings

<sup>1)</sup> Including long term TC and BB charters with purchase options

<sup>2)</sup> Owned 50.01% by Belships ASA, remaining 49.99% owned by leading employees

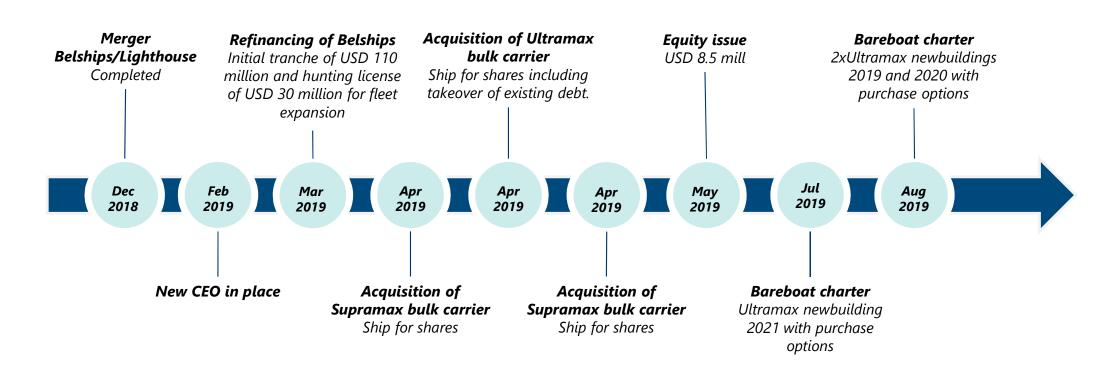


### Creating the best in-class listed dry bulk company





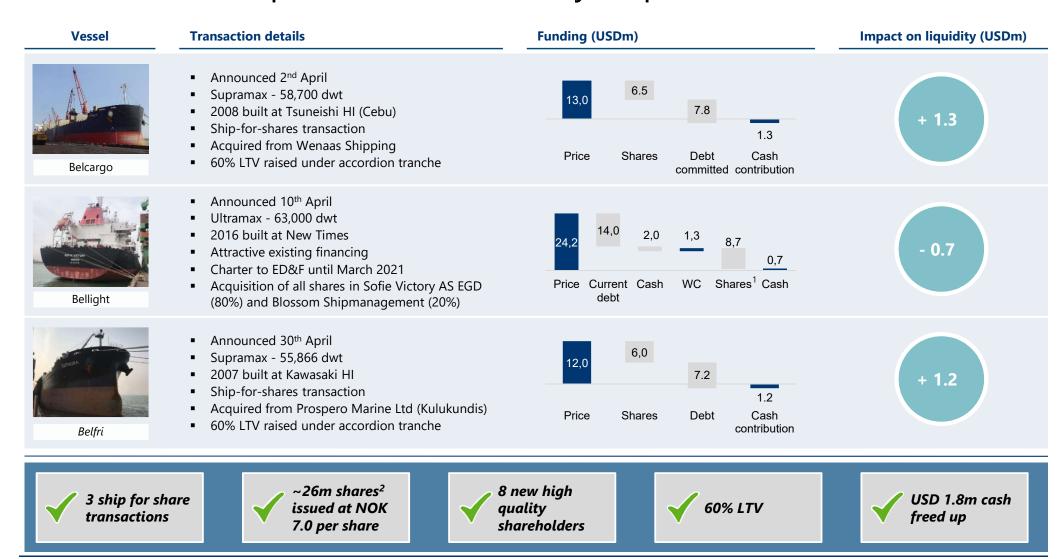
# Recent activity post merger – Pushing the growth agenda



Market capitalization growth from USD 30 to of USD 165 million



### Three vessel acquisitions financed by ship/shares structures



<sup>1)</sup> Estimated based on approximately 11m shares, to be determined upon transaction closing 2) Final share issue to be determined upon closing of transactions



# Three bareboat charters with purchase options proving ability to create exposure with industry low cost of capital

Vessel Transaction details Impact on liquidity (USDm) Estimated cash break even upon Announced July delivery: USD 11,250 per day Ultramax – 64,000 dwt 100% LTV – zero upfront equity 2021 built in Japan + 0.0Purchase options from end of 4th ■ 10 year Bareboat charter year, at around today's market values<sup>1</sup> Newbuilding Announced August Estimated cash break even upon Ultramax – 61,000 dwt delivery: USD 11,000 per day - 3.0 • 90% LTV – USD 3 mill paid upfront 2019 built in Japan 7 year Bareboat charter Purchase options from end of 4<sup>th</sup> year, below today's market values<sup>1</sup> Newbuilding Announced August Estimated cash break even upon Ultramax – 61.000 dwt delivery: USD 11,000 per day - 3.0 2020 built in Japan 90% LTV – USD 3 mill paid upfront Purchase options from end of 4<sup>th</sup> 7 year Bareboat charter year, below today's market values<sup>1</sup> Newbuilding 3 brand new Flexible and **Enhancing** Total USD 6.0m 93% LTV = >Japanese unique Return on 5.50% CoC cash invested **Equity** Ultramaxes

1) Basis valuations given by shipbrokers

exposure



### Modern uniform fleet with average age of 7 years

	Vessel	Туре	Built	DWT	Yard	Ownership
	Newbuilding – TBN	Ultramax	2021	64 000	Imabari	BB-in <sup>1</sup>
	Newbuilding – Belfuji	Ultramax	2020	63 000	Imabari	TC-in <sup>2</sup>
	Newbuilding – Belmoira	Ultramax	2020	61 000	Shin Kurushima	BB-in³
	Newbuilding – Belray	Ultramax	2019	61 000	Shin Kurushima	BB-in <sup>4</sup>
ā	Belnippon	Ultramax	2018	63 000	Imabari	TC-in <sup>5</sup>
13x Ultramax	Belisland	Ultramax	2016	61 000	Imabari	BB-in <sup>6</sup>
Jltr	Belforest	Ultramax	2015	61 000	Imabari	BB-in <sup>7</sup>
×	Belinda	Ultramax	2016	63 000	Hantong	Owned
13	Belmont	Ultramax	2016	63 000	Hantong	Owned
	Belatlantic	Ultramax	2016	63 000	Hantong	Owned
	Sofie Victory	Ultramax	2016	63 000	<b>New Times</b>	Owned
	Belpareil	Ultramax	2015	63 000	Hantong	Owned
	Belsouth	Ultramax	2015	63 000	Hantong	Owned
	Belocean	Supramax	2011	58 000	Dayang	Owned
	Belnor	Supramax	2010	58 000	Dayang	Owned
ä×	Belstar	Supramax	2009	58 000	Dayang	Owned
аш	Belcargo	Supramax	2008	58 000	Tsuneishi	Owned
Supramax	Belfri	Supramax	2007	55 000	Kawasaki	Owned
	Belorient	Supramax	2008	50 000	PT Pal	Owned
×6	Belfort	Supramax	2008	50 000	PT Pal	Owned
	Belpacific	Supramax	2007	50 000	PT Pal	Owned
	Beleast	Supramax	2006	50 000	PT Pal	Owned

Total of 22 vessels 1.3 million DWT

<sup>1)</sup> Bareboat charter period 10 years from 2H/2021 with purchase options after the fourth year 2) Time charter period of 8+1+1 years from Feb-20 with purchase options after the fourth year 3) Bareboat charter period 7 years from Q4/2019 with purchase options after the fourth year 4) Bareboat charter period 7 years from Q1/2020 with purchase options after the fourth year 5) Time charter period of 8+1+1+1 years from Jan-18 with purchase options after the fourth year 6) Bareboat charter lease period of 15 years from Mar-16 with purchase options after the fifth year 7) Bareboat charter lease period of 12 years from Sep-15 with purchase options after the third year



# Belships managed the lowest part of the cycle – now we have flexibility and exposure to upside

#### Charter backlog and spot exposure **Charter period Net TC rate** Vessel 2019 2020 2021 Imabari Newbuild Under construction Open Belnippon USD 10.8k/d

#### Belisland Canpotex USD 17.3k/d Belinda Spot Belmont USD 11.9k/d Belatlantic Spot Sofie Victory ED&F Man Shipping USD 11.0k/d1

USD 11.9k/d USD 11.6k/d

Canpotex USD 16.0k/d USD 16.0k/d

Canpotex Spot Spot Spot Spot Spot

#### **Solid charter counterparties**



One of the world's largest potash Canpotex exporters, selling about one-third of alobal capacity



USD 10.7k/d

Spot

Spot

Largest private US company by revenue, with major business areas within agricultural services



Specialist merchant of agricultural commodities, trading specifically in sugar, grains, coffee, molasses, animal feed and pulses

**≅** Western Bulk

Worlds third largest operator of Supramax vessels with a commercially controlled fleet over 150 ships

Cargill

10x Ultramax

Supramax

Belforest

Belpareil

Belsouth

Belocean

Belnor

Belstar

Belfort

Belorient

Belcargo

Belpacific

Belfri

Beleast

<sup>1)</sup> Rate based on BSI index with a net minimum floor of USD 10.9k/d (above current market levels)



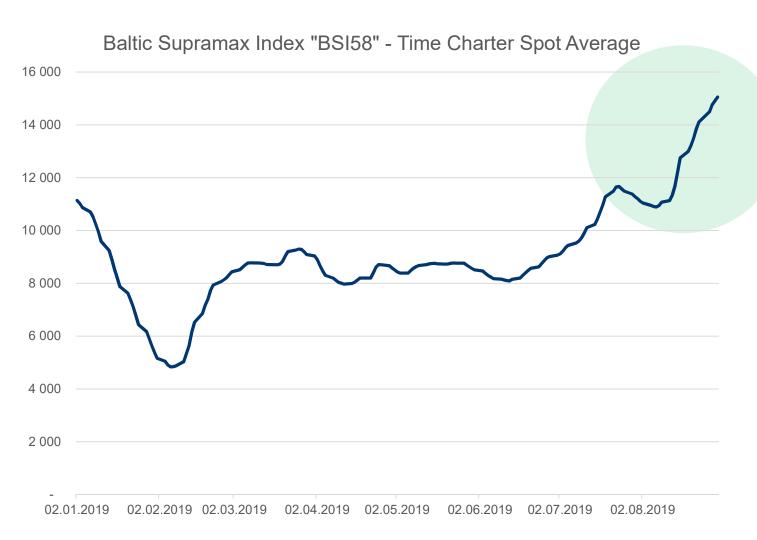
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### While global markets are nerve-racking, dry bulk is performing well

<u>Last 30 days</u> the Baltic Supramax spot indices have increased 33% from 11,287 to 15,056 per day

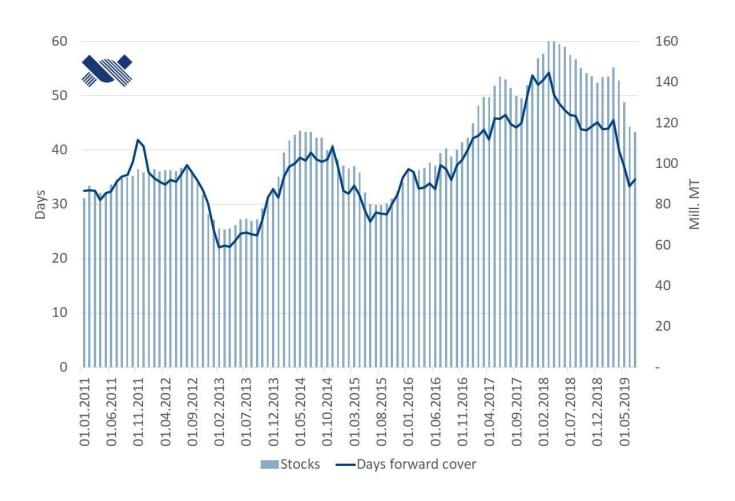


Sources: Fearnleys, Baltic exchange



#### Iron ore chinese port stocks and days forward cover

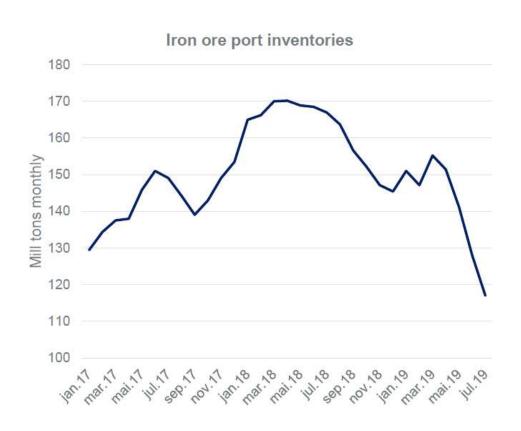
Since the end of March, inventories have been drawn by about 30 million tonnes – partly driven by the Brazilian and Australian operational challenges in 2q19.

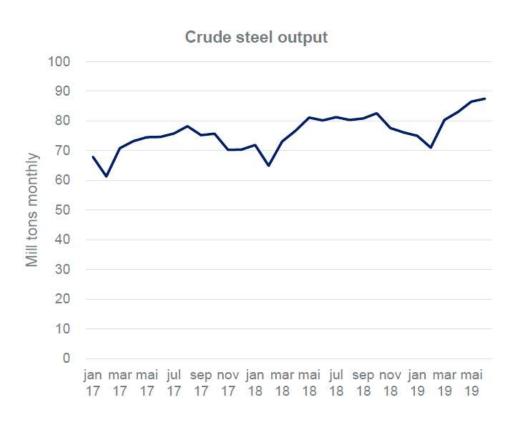


Source: Fearnleys



### China, Iron ore: Inventories down, steel production up





Source: Clarksons Platou



### **Projected Scrubber Uptake**

Proportion Of Fleet Set To Be Fitted With Scrubbers Varies Across Key Sectors

Sector	As Of Start	July 2019 (%Fleet/Ord	erbook GT)	Projected Scrubber Fitted	Projected Scrubber Fitted	
Sector	Scrubber-Fitted	Retrofit Pending	Orderbook	Fleet*, End 2019 (% GT)	Fleet*, End 2020 (% GT)	
VLCC (200,000+ Dwt)	8%	16%	70%	23%	35%	
Suezmax (125-199,999 Dwt)	6%	14%	42%	16%	21%	
Aframax (85-124,999 Dwt)	4%	12%	23%	12%	18%	
Total Tanker	5%	11%	51%	14%	20%	
Capesize (100,000+ Dwt)	6%	15%	52%	20%	26%	
Panamax (65-99,999 Dwt)	2%	4%	8%	6%	10%	
Handymax (40-64,999 Dwt)	1%	4%	7%	5%	7%	
Total Bulkcarrier	3%	8%	29%	10%	14%	
Post-Panamax (15,000+ TEU)	3%	9%	61%	20%	28%	
Neo-Panamax (8-14,999 TEU)	4%	20%	51%	14%	21%	
Total Containership	3%	11%	50%	10%	15%	
LPG	5%	5%	63%	10%	16%	
Cruise	62%	3%	25%	74%	77%	
Passenger Ferry	9%	1%	11%	13%	17%	
Ro-Ro	21%	5%	66%	24%	30%	
Total Fleet	4%	8%	33%	11%	15%	

\*Not including pending retrolits.

Source: Clarksons Research, Projections a

Source: Clarksons Research. Projections as of March 2019.



SOx Scrubber Count Update & IMO 2020 Impact Assessment

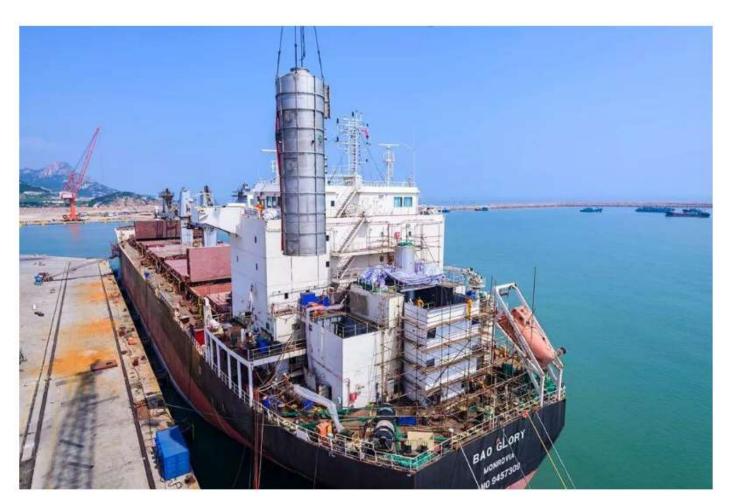




### Fleet ineffeciencies expected next 6-9 months

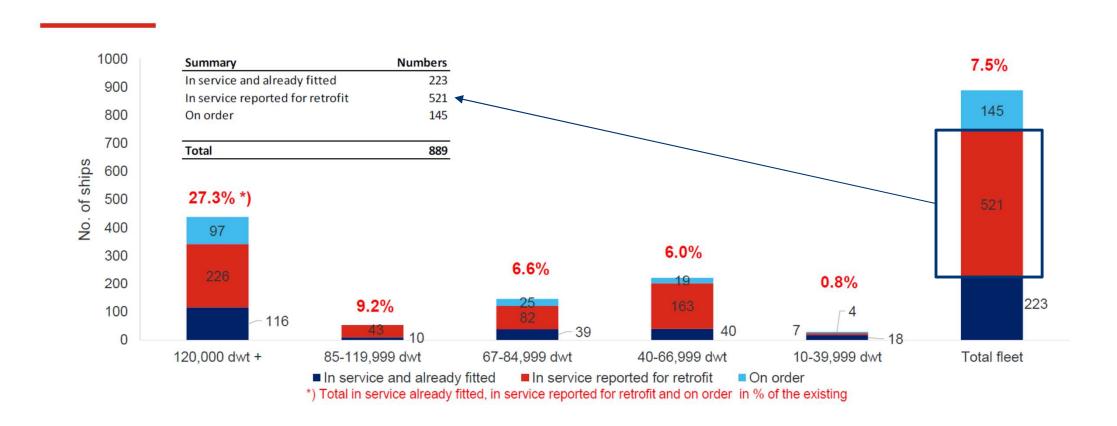
Drydocking time for scrubber retrofitting **28-30 days** – partly explaining current strong spot market

Expected to continue to aid utilisation





#### **Scrubber fitted Bulk Carriers**





#### Supra/Ultramax Fleet & Orderbook

At the end of 2018, 148 Supramax/Ultramax newbuildings were scheduled for delivery in 2019

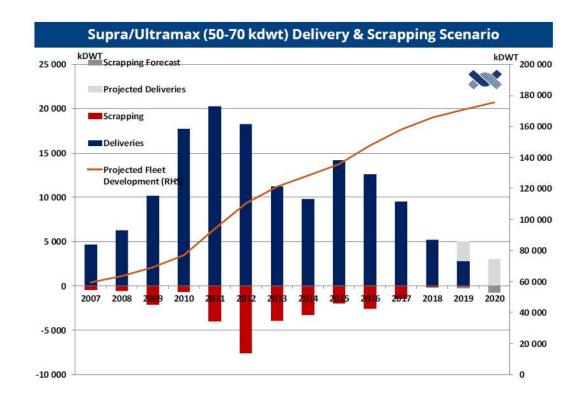
- 58 vessels have been delivered 1H/2019. Based on recent years' annual delivery profile we should not expect more than another 20-25 vessels entering service in 2019
- a significant shortfall compared to the reported orderbook.

There has been delivered 3,9 million deadweight year to date for a net fleet growth of 2,2%.

Fearnleys' full year estimate is currently for fleet growth to end around the same level as last year.

Next year it is going to drop to the lowest level in over 10 years, with our current estimate at 1,3%.

22 vessels of about 1.3 m dwt have been contracted so far this year. This is less than half the number contracted at this time in 2018 and points towards a historically very low fleet growth in the coming years.



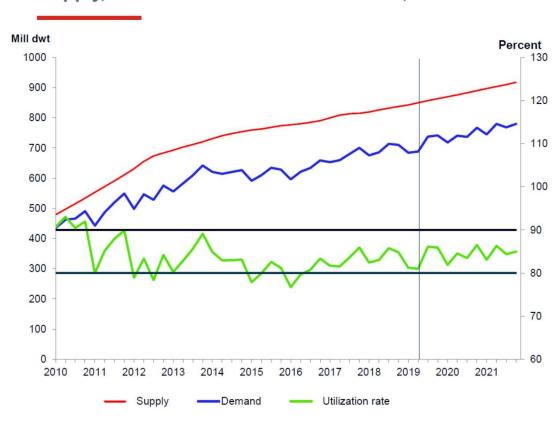
<b>1</b>	Kdwt	% y-o-y change
Currently Existing	174,593	Ytd Fleet Growth: 2,2%
Existing 01.01.2019	170,788	3,0%
2019 deliveries	3,941	
2019 scrapping	-0,135	
Existing 01.01.2020	175,514	3,2%
2020 deliveries	3,000	
2020 scrapping	-0,750	
Existing 01.01.2021	177,764	1,3%





### **Dry Bulk Market fundamentals**

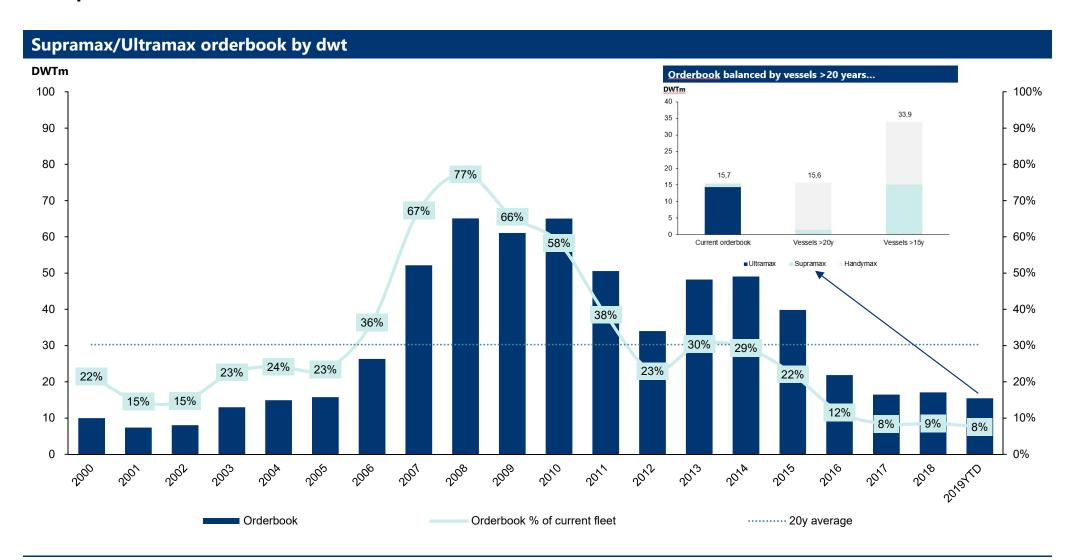
Supply, demand and utilization rate - 10,000 dwt +



Assumptions	2018	2019f	2020f	2021f
Fleet growth	2.0%	3.0 %	3.1%	3.0%
Dwt demand	3.5%	2.7 %	3.8%	3.5 %
Fleet utilization rate (yearly average )	84.4%	84.2%	84.8%	85.2 %



# Supramax/Ultramax orderbook at historical low levels



Source: Clarksons



# Market snapshot

- Softer macro economic expectations, recession risks loom, however China stimulus is strong signal for 2019/2020.
  - Interest rate cuts and other stimulus measures has resulted in surging Chinese credit growth this year highest growth rate since 2014. China credit growth typically leads dry bulk markets by roughly one year.
- Trade wars escalating, however
  - Soy beans sourced from South america and Black Sea strong grain exports
- Coal trades increasing, India and other Asian emerging economies
- Brazilian iron ore exports back in market, Brucutu mine operative and Vale ramping up alternative supplies
- IMO 2020 leading to lower fleet efficiency, scrubber retrofitting taking longer than expected
  - Potential for slow steaming though current fleet not running at full speed
- Historical low orderbook and deliveries are already less than expeceted

Source: Fearnleys, Clarksons



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# Near-term strategic priorities

# Continue accretive fleet growth

- Capacity to double the fleet to 30 vessels
- Additional ship-forshare deals or optional leases

Increase free float and liquidity in the share

- Continue to build free float through ship/shares or equity issues
- Maintain focus on capital market and IR

Financial discipline

- Low costs and cash break-even
- Strong balance sheet and healthy liquidity position for solidity though the cycle
- Build dividend capacity as market conditions improve





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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME		Q2	Q1	YTD Q2	Q2	Q1	YTD Q2	
USD 1 000		2019	2019	2019	2018	2018	2018	2018
Gross freight revenue	Note	35 127	36 176	71 303	29 840	24 864	54 704	127 735
Voyage expenses		-8 068	-7 737	-15 805	-9 479	-5 334	-14 813	-10 698
Net freight revenue	2	27 059	28 439	55 498	20 361	19 530	39 891	117 037
Management fees		2 511	2 637	5 148	1 193	967	2 160	4 865
Operating income	2	29 570	31 076	60 646	21 554	20 497	42 051	121 902
Share of result from j/v and assoc. comp.		608	634	1 242	230	395	625	2 012
T/C hire expenses		-12 121	-12 515	-24 636	-13 048	-11 617	-24 665	-80 014
Ship operating expenses		-6 465	-5 975	-12 440	-3 547	-4 080	-7 627	-16 094
Operating expenses ship management		-916	-971	-1 887	0	0	0	-420
General and administrative expenses		-2 700	-2 143	-4 843	-1 682	-1 406	-3 088	-7 837
Operating expenses		-21 594	-20 970	-42 564	-18 047	-16 708	-34 755	-102 353
EBITDA		7 976	10 106	18 082	3 507	3 789	7 296	19 549
Depreciation and amortisation	3	-4 702	-4 555	-9 257	-2 356	-1 847	-4 203	-7 813
Purchase bargain gain		0	0	0	0	0	0	12 849
Operating result (EBIT)		3 274	5 551	8 825	1 151	1 942	3 093	24 585
Interest income		57	56	113	8	4	12	56
Interest expenses		-2 652	-2 617	-5 269	-1 230	-879	-2 109	-4 754
Other financial items		-350	-138	-488	-37	-315	-352	-351
Currency gains/(-losses)		-32	-156	-188	6	-29	-23	-94
Net financial items		-2 977	-2 855	-5 832	-1 253	-1 219	-2 472	-5 143
Result before taxes		297	2 696	2 993	-102	723	621	19 442
Taxes		-164	-150	-314	0	0	0	-247
Net result		133	2 546	2 679	-102	723	621	19 195
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Hereof majority interests		85	1 838	1 923	635	39	674	18 169
Hereof non-controlling interests		48	708	756	-737	684	-53	1 026
Earnings per share		0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.20
Diluted earnings per share		0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.20

The quarterly figures are not audited



#### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

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USD 1 000		30 Jun	31 Mar	31 Dec
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	Note	2019	2019	2018
Intangible assets	74010	5 816	7 182	8 536
Ships	3	264 177	253 778	230 425
Property, Plant, and Equipment	J	4 444	4 183	4 210
Investment in jv and assoc. companies		2 762	2 897	1 939
Other non-current assets		1 498	59	343
Total non-current assets		278 697	268 099	245 453
		270 007		2.0 .00
CURRENT ASSETS				
Inventories		6 836	4 971	4 230
Current receivables		9 915	10 139	11 897
Cash and cash equivalents		47 389	34 736	32 034
Total current assets		64 140	49 846	48 161
Total assets		342 837	317 945	293 614
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES Equity				
Paid-in capital		111 184	96 893	96 870
Retained earnings		25 661	25 576	23 738
Non-controlling interests		3 930	3 882	3 174
Total equity		140 775	126 351	123 782
Non-current liabilities				
Mortgage debt	4	95 555	75 781	94 513
Lease liability	4	59 405	60 801	38 653
Other non-current liabilities		3 229	3 425	3 446
Total non-current liabilities		158 189	140 007	136 612
Current liabilities				
Curr. portion of mortgage debt/lease liability	4	26 098	34 719	14 619
Other current liabilities		17 775	16 868	18 601
Total current liabilities		43 873	51 587	33 220
Total amiliar and liabilities		242.027	217.045	202 644
Total equity and liabilities		342 837	317 945	293 614

# Experienced management and Board of Directors with aligned incentives with shareholders

#### Management



#### Lars Christian Skarsgård, CEO

0.44m shares 5.0m options

Lars Christian Skarsgård has served as CEO of Belships ASA since 13 March, 2019. Mr. Skarsgård has wide ranging shipping experience from sailing as a deck crew, shipbroking to ship owning and management. Before joining Belships ASA, he served as Director and Global head of S&P with Fearnleys AS. BA Economics from Liverpool University.



#### Osvald Fossholm, CFO

35k shares 66k options

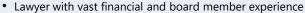
Osvald Fossholm has served as Belships CFO since 1993. He graduated from BI Norwegian Business School in 1985 as an accountant, and is also a certified public accountant from the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration. He worked at Arthur Andersen & Co from 1985 to 1990, and became financial manager of Belships in 1990.

#### **Board of Directors**



#### Peter Frølich, Chairman of the Board

75k shares



• Currently involved in i.a. Fana Sparebank, Fjord Line AS and Kredittforeningen for Sparebanker



#### Carl Erik Steen, Board member

FOI: -1----

Extensive experience in ship finance

Sissel Grefsrud, Board member

 Currently Chairman of the BoD in Euronav and board member in several companies i.a. Bertel O. Steen Holding AS and Wilh. Wilhelmsen Holding ASA

• Previously been an executive in the Songa Group and First Olsen Tankers Ltd.



#### Frode Teigen, Board member

133m shares

17m shares

- Owner Kontrari AS and Kontrazi AS
- Majority owner and acting board member in Belships ASA, Egersund Group AS, Fjord Line AS and Nordic Halibut AS
- Held various management positions in Thoresen Thai in addition to being one of the largest shareholders – exit in 2005



#### Jorunn Seglem, Board member

50k shares

7.5k shares

- CEO and board member Knutsen Ballast Water AS
- Board member Knutsen Nyk Offshore Tankers AS



#### Sverre J. Tidemand, Board member

- Owner Sonata AS
- Managing director of Belships from 1979 to May 2011 and previously chairman of the board



#### Birthe Cecilie Lepsøe, Board member

• Partner, Vest Corporate Advisors AS

- Board member in several companies,
- i.a. Inventura Group AS, Smedvig AS and Sparebank 1 SR-Bank ASA

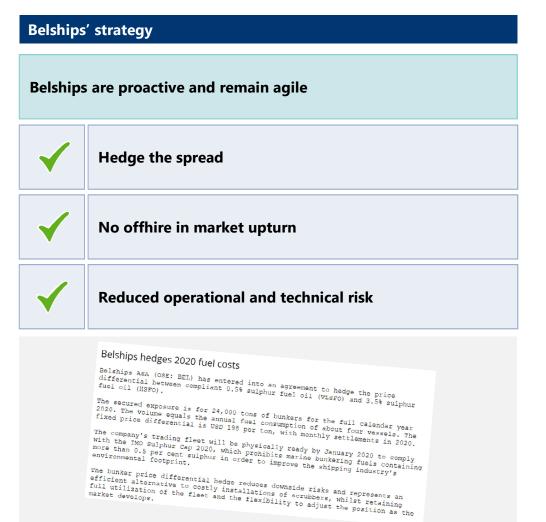
Director of ABN Amro Bank's Energy & Transportation division.



# Belships' IMO 2020 considerations

#### **IMO 2020** LNG/LPG Scrubber Compliant fuel propulsion ✓ Continue using HSFO ✓ No off-hire ✓ Significant reduction ✓ Fuel availability ✓ No investment in CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>x</sub> Costly investment **✗** Significant investment **×** Bet on price Increased bunker differential between **✗** Fuel availability consumption VLSFO and HSFO × Operational risk ✗ Technical risk **Key implications** Slow steaming Increased offhire during installation process

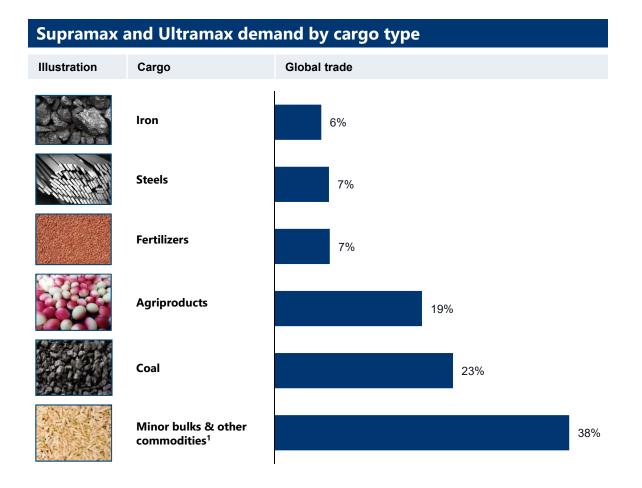
Trigger scrapping of older vessels

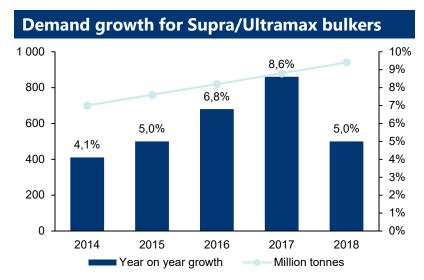


Source: Company information



# Benefitting from growing steady growth in minor bulks





#### **Key characteristics**



#### ----- Cargo diversity ------

With a variety of products to transport both within major and minor bulk, Belships is less dependent on the iron-ore and coal trade than the typical Capesize / Panamax company



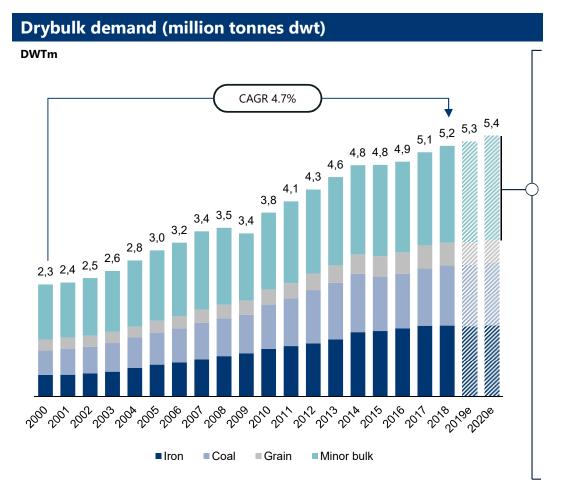
#### ----- Global diversification ------

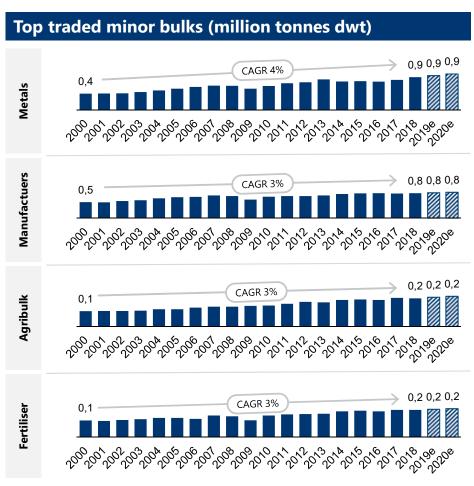
Due to the vast number of trade routes for minor bulks, Belships is less exposed to country specific demand by e.g. China and Brazil

<sup>1)</sup> Minor bulks: steel products, cement, gypsum, metal ores or concentrates, sugar, salt, sulphur, sand, fertilizers, forest products and wood chips. Source: Clarksons, Company information



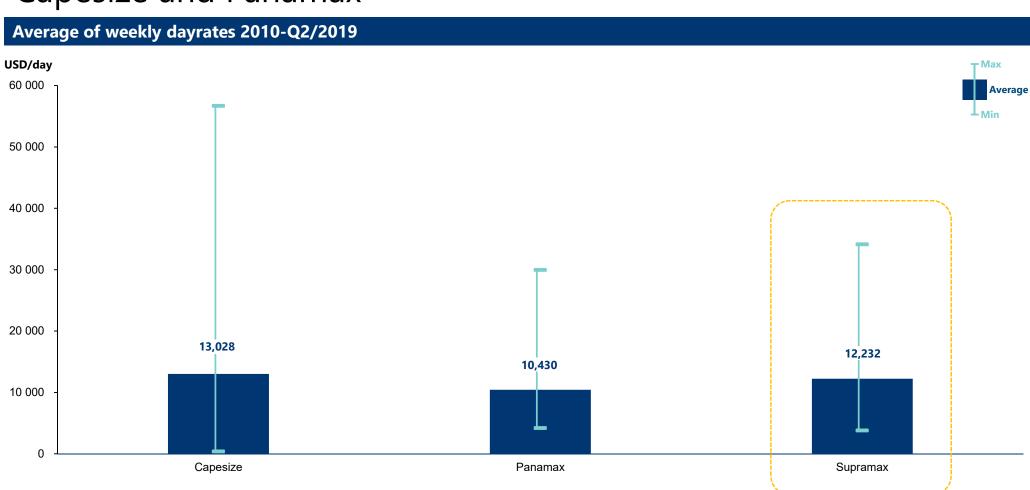
# Key commodities exhibit strong and stable demand growth







# Ultramax/Supramax stronger yield over time compared to Capesize and Panamax



Source: Clarksons