

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Tomas Forsblom-Strand** has joined Aker Arctic as a development engineer.

He graduated with a BASc. in Information Technology from Arcada University of Applied Sciences in 2014. Since then, he has worked with developing electronics and embedded software, as well as being a consultant

focusing on Embedded Linux Systems. In the past, he worked as an electrician.



**Hella Huttunen** has joined Aker Arctic as a project engineer in the structures team.

In 2024, Hella graduated from Aalto University with a master's degree in mechanical engineering, after completing her master's thesis about ice behaviour in a tunnel thruster's tunnel.

Along with her studies, Hella worked in the student pool at Aker Arctic's model testing facility from 2021 to 2023.



**Esa Häkkinen** has joined Aker Arctic as head of ship design.

Esa graduated with a master's degree in naval architecture from Aalto University in 2008. Before joining Aker Arctic, he worked at Eломatic, Wärtsilä, Traficom, and SRC Group in various specialist and management

positions gaining a vast experience in ship design and regulations.



**Inkeri Kemppinen** has joined Aker Arctic's ship design team as a naval architect focusing on ship weight calculations.

Inkeri first started working at Aker Arctic as a trainee in the ship design team, in 2023. During the following year, she wrote her master's thesis titled: *Impact of ship*

*speed on ice-induced loads on ship hull*. After completing her thesis, she graduated from Aalto University with a master's degree in mechanical engineering in 2024.



**Aapo Käkilehto** has joined Aker Arctic as a project engineer in the equipment business and special projects team.

Aapo graduated from the University of Oulu in 2024 with a master's degree in mechanical engineering, specialising in engineering mechanics. Before joining

Aker Arctic full time, Aapo worked part-time for the company for 2 years. In his master's thesis, he studied the strength characteristics of a novel propeller concept.



**Ivan Mazanikov** has joined Aker Arctic as a project engineer in the consultancy and technology development team.

Ivan graduated from Aalto University in 2025, with a master's degree in mechanical engineering. He has previously worked at Aker Arctic as a trainee in naval

architecture and structural design. After this, he wrote his master's thesis for the company on the topic of impact of energy efficiency regulations on ships operating in ice.



**Miku Sevón** has joined Aker Arctic as a machinery systems designer in the machinery team.

Miku graduated from Aalto University in 2024, with a M.Sc. degree in mechanical engineering, specialising in marine and arctic technology. During the spring of 2024, Miku wrote his thesis

for Aker Arctic on the subject: *Estimation of propeller ice torque in preliminary design phase*. In his thesis, Miku developed a data-driven numerical model, utilising full-scale propulsion data and theoretical propulsion dynamics, to estimate propeller ice torque of both operational and concept ice-going ships. Before joining Aker Arctic, Miku worked as a junior designer in the machinery and deck outfitting department at Bluetech Finland for 2 years, alongside his studies. ■