

History

- January 1979: Initial plan presented at the Korean Shipbuilding Industry Conference
- May 1980: KOMEA established
- May 1980: Yoon, Pal-Moon elected chairman (1st);
Korean Association of Ship Machinery and Equipment Manufacturers (KASMEM) established
- March 1983: Consolidation of KOMEA and Marine Engine Industry Conference
- February 1984: Goo, Ja-Young elected chairman (2nd~7th)
- December 1985: Selected as import recommendation agency for ship engine parts and shipbuilding & repair machinery and equipment (Ministry of Commerce & Industry notice)
- December 1986: KASMEM name changed to Korea Marine Equipment Association (KOMEA)
- October 1988: First exchange meeting of Korea-Japan marine equipment industry organizations
- July 1990: Yoon Jae-Yeol selected executive director (1st~3rd)
- May 1994: KORMARINE exhibition launched by KOMEA
- October 1995: Hosted first international shipbuilding & marine equipment exhibition 'KORMARINE'
- February 1996: Joined CIMAC (International Council on Combustion Engines) as a member and launched KOMAC
- July 1997: Hwang Keung-Ho selected executive director (4th~5th)
- January 2001: Designation of world-class products (mandated by the Ministry of Commerce, Industry & Energy)
- February 2002: Si, Myung-Sun elected chairman (8th~9th)
- February 2004: Kim Jung-Ho selected executive director (6th~7th)
- February 2008: Park, Yoon-So elected chairman (10th)
- June 2008: Held 1st KOMEA Forum
- October 2008: Concluded MOUs with Turkish & Indian shipbuilders' associations for mutual co-operation
- September 2009: Launched Global A/S Hub infrastructure project to promote development of Korean marine equipment as well as to enhance global cooperation & coordination;
R&D project for the southeastern economic sphere (establishment of a global hub for offshore plants)
- December 2009: Concluded MOU with Vietnam's Vinashin Group for mutual cooperation

- March 2010: Concluded MOU with COAPROA (Spain's marine equipment purchasing association)
- May 2010: Publication of "30-Year History of Korean Marine Equipment Industry and KOMEA"
Concluded MOU with China's Jiangsu Shipbuilders' Association
- November 2010: Korea Marine Equipment Global Service Center (KOMEK) inaugurated;
- June 2011: Conclusion of an MOU with FIERGS of Brazil for mutual cooperation
- February 2012: Park, Yoon-So re-elected chairman (11th)
Kang Jae-Jong selected executive director (8th)
- June 2012: Concluded industry-academia-government MOUs with 14 organizations to support win-win cooperation for acceleration of green ship industry technology development and stimulation of investment
- September 2012: Launched publication of KOMEA e-Newsletter
- November 2012: Concluded MOUs with 10 organizations to support win-win cooperation for development of offshore & shipbuilding industries
- September 2013: Concluded MOU with Ministry of Trade, Industry & Energy (MOTIE) and Korea Offshore & Shipbuilding Association (KOSHIPA) on shared growth based on mutual cooperation & coordination
- July 2014: Organized Seminar on Offshore Plant Industry Development Via Acquisition of Global Certifications in Collaboration with API (American Petroleum Institute)
- October 2014: Established Unfair Trade Complaint Center Under the Umbrella of Korea Fair Trade Commission & Korea Federation of SMEs
- February 2015: Kang Jae-Jong re-selected executive director (9th)
- November 2016: Opened overseas office in Singapore
- December 2016: Opened overseas office in Shanghai, China
- April-Oct. 2017: Entered into cooperation and collaboration with regional government like Busan Metropolitan City, Ulsan Metropolitan City, Gyeongsangnam-do Province
- December 2017: Launched KOSMEDIA (Korea Smart Marine Maritime Equipment Directory: Intelligence & Alliance).
- February 2018: Kang Jae-Jong re-selected executive director (10th)
- November 2018: On behalf of Korean marine equipment business circle, signed a shared growth and cooperation agreement, initiated by the Ministry of Trade, Industry & Energy (MOTIE).
- December 2018: Signed MOU with the Trade Representation of the Russian Federation in Korea on Bilateral Marine Equipment Industry & Trade Cooperation.