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— WASHINGTON —
AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE CLUSTER

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DEVELOPMENT
ALLIANCE

MISSION

ACCELERATE INNOVATION

To accelerate innovation for autonomous and unmanned vehicles, particularly in the maritime sector.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

To develop and ready a highly skilled workforce for the next generation of maritime technologies.

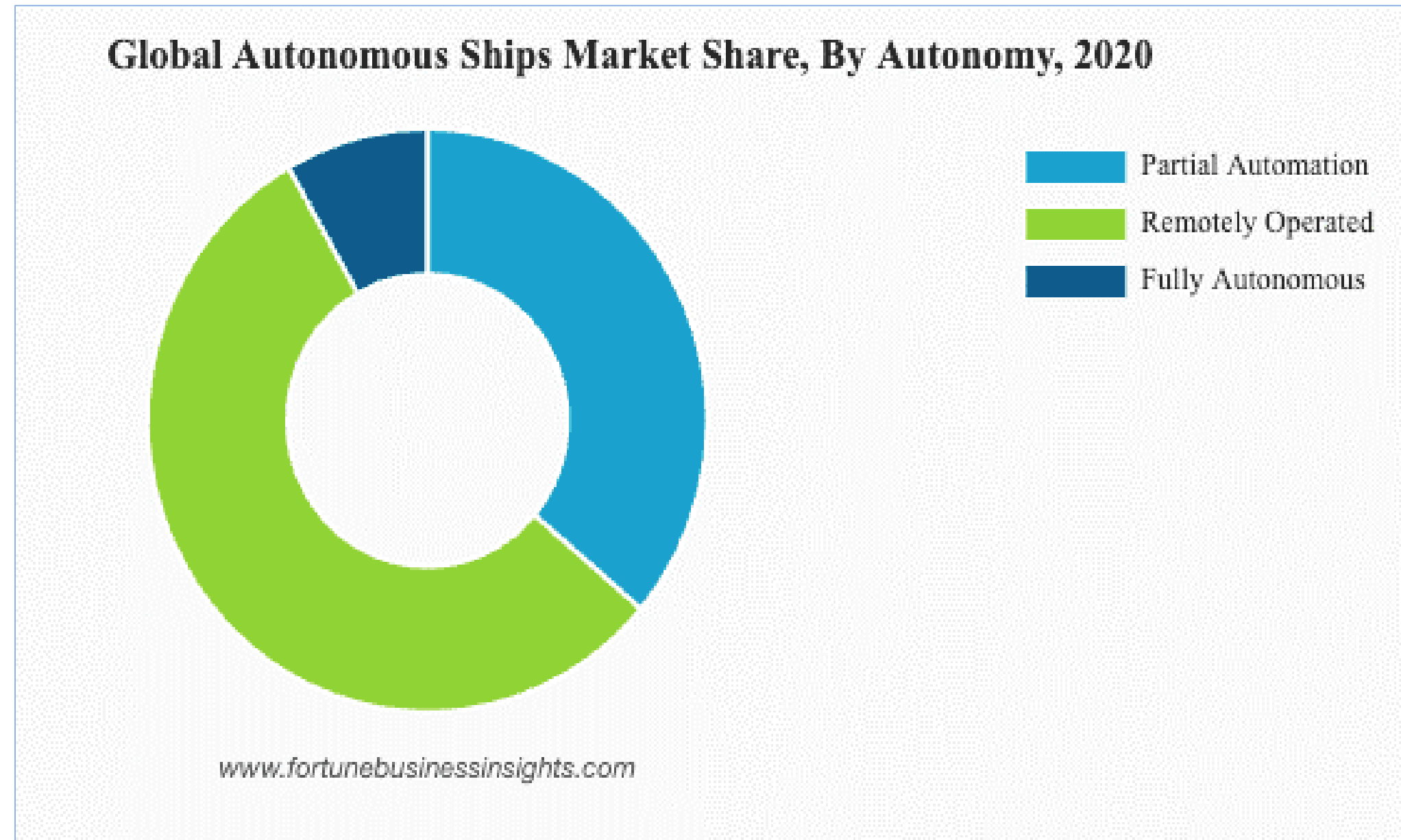
CREATE A COLLABORATIVE

Create a fluid collaborative space where Government, Corporations, Academics, Entrepreneurs and Capital work together towards a common goal.

DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

- Maritime Autonomous Systems first introduced in the 1970s.
- Technology slow to catch up to market trends/environmental needs.
- Little appetite for investment backing AV Systems initiatives (at sea) - risk not well understood.
- Confluence of costs, crews, the rise of the internet, & environmental concerns conspired to new R&D on autonomy.
- 2018-1019 The IMO introduced, and nations ratified the Maritime Autonomous Surface Ships (MASS) initiative.
- South Korea Hyundai Ship industry “Prism Courage” first in world to complete a transoceanic trip autonomously (gulf of Mexico to Busan Korea in 33 days).

Technology Areas



MARKET OVERVIEW



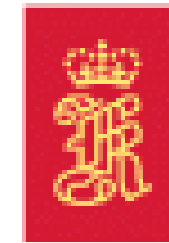
\$6.40 Billion
2020

\$6.55 Billion
2021

\$12.07 Billion
2028

LEADING COMPANIES

Navigational systems & construction



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ADVANTAGES

At Sea:

- Reduce logistic costs
- Reduce needless trips
- Reduce Emissions
- Reduce workload on crews & equipment wear
- Minimize accidents/other mishaps

On Shore:

- Better cooperation with base operations
- Seamless connections with other modes of transport
- Reform workstyles
- Reduce shipping cost

OVERCOMING ANXIETY

- One of the major obstacles is **operating in a mixed navigational environment** where conventionally manned, remotely controlled, and unmanned vessels are interacting at the same sea areas
- New types of autonomous systems and their related equipments and sensors would **increase complexities** and introduce new risk profiles, failure modes, system interdependencies, and unpredictable ship behaviors.
- National interests may prevent **cooperation between nations** and associated flagged vessels
- Many seafarers' organizations have yet to fully embrace maritime autonomy as they **fear losing jobs** and other economic resources

LOOKING FORWARD

TRENDS:

- More innovation in maritime autonomy
- Advanced software (security)
- Workforce adaptation

DRIVERS:

- Large investments (operators and investors)
- Ship technology projects
- Need for next generation crafts

LEGISLATION:

- Sovereignty
- Maritime autonomy regs
- Territory Claims

Innovation Cluster:

- Funded initially through a Washington state grant
- Tasked to accelerate innovation in maritime (undersea) autonomous systems
- We are industry focus by bringing together entrepreneurs, investors, academics, corporations and government.

Wants & Needs:

- Make the PNW the epicenter of autonomous systems in the US
- Attract capital to grow industry and train the next generation
- Grow an active membership and establish strategic alliances
- Work on unique projects that add value to our communities

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