



## Mark Broster BA (Hons) FRIN, FInstLM, FIMarEST, AFNI

**Cadet Broster joined the Royal Navy in 1998 serving both at sea and on land. He saw service from the Middle East to the Caribbean (including one of the largest narcotics hauls on the Caribbean basin) to West Africa during Operation Palliser in 2000. He experienced post-civil war Sierra Leone during Operation Keeling. He is a qualified Royal Navy Diver and has conducted Diving operations all over the World. In 2004 he conducted counter drug operations before returning to West Africa where he was awarded the Operational Service Medal for Sierra Leone. He qualified as an Amphibious Warfare Officer in November 2005 and deployed in support of Operation VELA in October 2006. After successfully completing the Fleet Navigating Officers course in January 2007, (a now) Lieutenant Commander Broster re-joined the Fleet at Sea working for Flag Officer Sea Training in the specialist role as Staff Warfare Officer (Navigation) for Electronic Charting Systems. His role was to assess Masters and Officers in their ability to maintain safe Navigation.**

In 2008 he won the annual Navigators and Directors award for his contribution to the Royal Navy.

In 2010 after leaving the Royal Navy he founded ECDIS Ltd. His company went on to become the largest and most successful independent company in its field, offering in excess of 30 courses to over 200 large shipping

companies, governments and military clients spanning every continent. As a published author, his company has written various international publications, some of which have been adopted by the IMO. As a supplier of maritime simulators his company has successfully delivered next generation simulators on several continents, including Europe's most technologically sophisticated simulator complex. Over the last 5 year period his company has achieved a documented 96% perfection feedback for their training courses and 98% for their equipment.

In 2016 he was awarded a Fellowship by the Royal Institute of Navigation (pictured) for his work in improving Bridge Team Management for shipping companies around the World and increasing the standard of STCW training. He is also an Associate Fellow of the Nautical Institute and a Committee member of the London branch, a Fellow of the Institute of Marine Science and Technology and a Fellow of the Institute of Leadership and Management. He is a member of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners and a Freeman of the City of London.

Outside of work he still remains current within his military role and regularly partakes in exercises and operations. In 2017 at the age of 41 he feels particularly privileged to still provide operational capability and support to 1 AGRM (One Assault Group Royal Marines), a role he hopes to continue with as long as work and his own energy levels allow him.