

# THE DUTCH SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IN A CHANGING WORLD

## THE RESURRECTION OF AN INDUSTRIAL SECTOR, 1870-1914

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### KEY CONCEPTS:

- > large shipyards
- > determinants for change
- > industry cluster

### RESEARCH QUESTION:

How to understand the advance  
of modern Dutch shipbuilding  
between 1870 and 1914?

### FOCUS AREAS:

- > analysing quantitative and qualitative productivity data
- > examining the shift in geographical focus
- > assessing the impact of education and knowledge innovation
- > appraising the role of the national government

### METHODOLOGY:

- > building a database of individual shipbuilding sites
- > archival research, state reports and statistical data (classification society annuals)

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