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Capital Link 5th Annual Cyprus Shipping Forum

“Cyprus Shipping – At the Forefront of Industry Developments Enhancing Competitiveness in a Fast Changing World”

Digital Conference

Thursday, June 17, 2021

11:00am – 5:30pm Limassol time

Complimentary Registration

NEW YORK, June 9, 2021

Capital Link is hosting the **5th Annual Cyprus Shipping Forum** on **Thursday, June 17, 2021** at 11:00am to 5:30pm Limassol time as a digital conference.

The Forum will take place under the Auspices of the **Republic of Cyprus**, the **Shipping Deputy Ministry of Cyprus**, and with the leading sponsorship and cooperation of the **Cyprus Union of Shipowners**, the support of the **Cyprus Shipping Chamber** and by the following Organizations: **CSC - Cyprus Shipping Chamber • Cyprus Investment Promotion Agency – Invest Cyprus • Cyprus Investment Funds Association (CIFA) • Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers Cyprus Branch • Cyprus Naval Architects Association • Cyprus Shipping Association • Association of Merchant Marine Officers • CYMEPA • Cyprus Marine Club • Cyprus Master Mariners Association • Cyprus Maritime Academy • The Nautical Institute, Cyprus Branch • Young Ship Cyprus.**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Mr. Vassilios Demetriades

Shipping Deputy Minister to the President

Republic of Cyprus

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The event aims to highlight the competitive advantages of Cyprus as a maritime hub. Cyprus has a robust, versatile and efficient maritime cluster with growing shipowning and shipmanagement communities. Furthermore, Cyprus is a regional financial, insurance and legal hub adding to the versatility of the cluster.

The Deputy Ministry of Shipping of Cyprus has undertaken significant initiatives to alleviate the global crewing crisis, to increase digitalization and transparency and to enhance the competitiveness of the maritime cluster and the Cyprus flag.

The forum will feature Cyprus based maritime leaders addressing an international audience sharing their experience on the attractiveness of Cyprus as a maritime hub along with their insight on critical topics affecting the cluster and the global maritime industry.

For the fifth year in a row, the Conference Chairman of the Forum will be Mr. George A. Tsavlis, Principal of Tsavlis Salvage Group, elected Chairman – INTERMEPA (International Marine Environment Protection Association), Chairman – CYMEPA (Cyprus Marine Environmental Protection Association), Member of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Union of Shipowners and Honorary Chairman – Tsavlis Cultural Foundation.

Registration is Complimentary here: <https://forumshippingcyprus2021.capitallink.com/en>

AGENDA TOPICS

1. **Opening Keynote Remarks**
2. **The Attractiveness Of Cyprus As An International Maritime Center**
3. **Expanding The Shipowning Base In Cyprus & Reinforcing The Cyprus Registry & Flag - Incentives & Advantages**
4. **Cyprus As A Global Shipmanagement Hub – What’s Next**
5. **Fostering Environmental Sustainability – Green Initiatives** :Global – Eu & Regional Policy – Regulatory & Market Developments & Taxation Schemes
6. **Addressing The Crewing Crisis – The Cyprus Approach** : Focusing On Vaccinations – Crew Welfare – Maritime Training
7. **The Shipowners’ Perspective – Navigating Through Industry Transformation In A Fast-Changing World**
8. **A Regional Financial Hub – Cypriot Banks Stay The Course**
9. **Accelerating Digital Transformation: Connecting Ships – Ports – People – Enhancing Efficiency & Competitiveness**

PARTICIPATING SPEAKERS

- **Mr. Ilias Tsakiris, CEO – American Hellenic Insurance Co.**
- **Mr. Nicholas Pavlidis, Head of Shipping – Bank of Cyprus**
- **Mr. Konstantinos Chatzitoliou, Project Development Leader for Greece, Cyprus & Malta – Bureau Veritas**
- **Mr. Mark O’Neil, President & CEO – Columbia Shipmanagement**
- **Mr. Andreas Hadjipetrou, Managing Director – Columbia Shipmanagement**
- **Mr. Andreas Hadjiyiannis, President - Cyprus Sea Lines Shipping; President – Cyprus Union of Shipowners**
- **Mr. Pieris Markou, CEO – Deloitte Cyprus**
- **Mr. Stamatis Fradelos, Manager, Business Development – DNV**
- **Mr. Constantinos Milios, Head of Shipping Finance – Eurobank Cyprus Ltd**
- **Mr. Aristides Pittas, Chairman and CEO – Eurodry; Chairman & CEO – Euroseas**
- **Mr. Sunil Kapoor, Director – FML Ship Management Limited**
- **Mr. Antonios Spanakis, Head of Shipping – Hellenic Bank**
- **Mr. Dieter Rohdenburg, CEO – Intership Navigation**
- **Mr. Philippos Philis, Chairman & CEO – Lemissoler Navigation; President Elect – European Community Shipowners Association (ECSA)**

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- **Mr. Neophytos Papadopoulos**, Permanent Secretary, Deputy Ministry of Shipping – **Republic of Cyprus**
- **Mr. Vassilios Demetriades**, Shipping Deputy Minister to the President - **Republic of Cyprus**
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Since 2020, to date, we have hosted **19 full scale global digital conferences** and **25 webinars**, boasting a total of **202 virtual sessions**, that featured industry experts and thought leaders. Attracting **28,500+ delegates** from all over the world, we also held over **700 1x1 or small group on-line meetings**, a unique track record, growing our extensive investor network.

ORGANIZERS

Founded in 1995, Capital Link is a New York based investor relations, financial communications and advisory firm with a strategic focus on the maritime, commodities and energy sectors, MLPs, as well as Closed-End Funds and ETFs. Based in New York City, Capital Link has presence in London, Athens & Oslo. Capital Link is a member of the Baltic Exchange and works very closely with the New York Stock Exchange, NASDAQ and the London Stock Exchange as well as with major international and supranational organizations and industry associations in the areas of the firm's strategic concentration.

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Capital Link's efforts have been recognized by the 2011 Lloyds's List Greek Shipping Awards, in 2012 and 2013 by the InterContinental Finance Magazine and in 2016 by the Wealth & Finance Magazine, Also, by the International Propeller Club of the United States and AHI-American Hellenic Institute.

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