



TRADE AND SHIPPING IN A DISRUPTED WORLD

Date & Time: Wednesday, 8 June 2022 10:00-14:30 (registration from 09:30)

Venue: British Residence, 2 Loukianou Str, 106 75 Athens, by the kind invitation of His Excellency Ambassador Matthew Lodge, starting at 10:00 (registration from 09:30) and concluding with a networking lunch from 13:00-14:30. Attendance is **strictly by a named invitation**.

This event, organised by Maritime London and supported by the UK Department for International Trade, is held as part of Posidonia 2022.

AGENDA

09:30 *Registration & coffee*

10:00 Ambassador's welcome

10:00 UK ministerial address

10:25 UK Shipping Concierge presentation by **Damien Oliver, Commercial Programmes and Maritime Business Development Directorate, Maritime and Coastguard Agency**

10:40 Panel: Trends in Ship Finance

A presentation exploring the current ship financing environment by **Harry Theochari, Chairman of Maritime London**, followed by a panel discussion featuring **Haralambos Fafalios, Chairman of the Greek Shipping Cooperation Committee, Robartus Krol, Director, Sector Coverage – Shipping at ING Bank** and **George Xiradakis, Founder of XRTC Business Consultants Ltd.**

The panel will explore how ship finance markets have evolved over the past 24 months, what mix of capital provision exists in the market, whether enhanced ESG reporting is yet effecting investment decisions and how the changing trends in ship finance will alter the structure of the ship owning entities and the wider shipping industry.

11:30 *Refreshments break*

12:00 Panel: Geopolitical Environment and Shipping

Shipping markets forecast by **Henry Curra, Global Head of Research at Braemar**, followed by a panel discussion moderated by **Jos Standerwick, Chief Executive of Maritime London** and consisting of **Chris Adams, Managing Director of Steamship Mutual, Mark Jackson, CEO of The Baltic Exchange** and **Kirsty MacHardy, Partner of Stephenson Harwood LLP.**

The Russia – Ukraine conflict represents the most significant change to the global liberal trading regime of recent memory. Trade disruption, sanctions and the ensuing commercial uncertainties, crewing issues, supply driven inflationary pressures and the consequential looming recession are all disrupting the global shipping industry. This panel will take a cross section of the industry and explore how the market is navigating the consequences that the conflict is having on the shipping industry and what this may mean for the future of the industry.

13:00 *Networking lunch*

14:30 *Ends*