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THE RENAISSANCE OF GREEK SHIPYARDS

FIRST PART: Commercial Vessels

Panel Session — Posidonia 2026 Room 1B, June 2, 12:45-14:30

Format: Moderated Panel Discussion

Moderator: Dr. John Kokarakis, Chairman SNAME Greek Section



Duration: 45 Minutes

About the Panel

Greece commands over 20% of the world's shipping tonnage — yet for decades, its shipyards have remained in the shadow of that legacy. The facilities exist, the engineering talent exists, and the ships are here. So why hasn't Greece reclaimed its place as a serious shipbuilding and repair nation — and is that finally changing? This panel brings together three leading figures at the forefront of that question to examine the challenges and opportunities facing Greek ship repair and newbuilding today.

Panelists

Anastasios (Tasos) Kyprianis



General Manager, Scaramanga Shipyard | Mechanical Engineer, NTUA

One of the most strategically significant shipyard facilities in the Eastern Mediterranean, Scaramanga Shipyard offers large-scale dry dock infrastructure and naval construction capability. Tasos Kyprianis leads the yard's operational and strategic direction, bringing deep mechanical engineering expertise from NTUA to the challenge of positioning Scaramanga as a pillar of Greece's industrial maritime future.

Stella Rissaki



CEO, Megatechnica Shipyard (Perama) | Naval Architect & Marine Engineer, NTUA

A naval architect and marine engineer by training, Stella Rissaki leads Megatechnica Shipyard in the Perama zone — the historic heartland of Greek ship repair. Her dual perspective as both a technical professional and a business owner gives her a unique vantage point on the structural, regulatory, and commercial pressures facing small and medium shipyards in Greece today.

Dimitris Pappas



CEO, Intermarinco | President, Naval Architects & Marine Engineers Association

As head of Intermarinco and president of the leading professional body for naval architects and marine engineers in Greece, Dimitris Pappas bridges industry operations and professional advocacy. An NTUA graduate, he brings a broad strategic lens to questions of workforce development, innovation, and the policy frameworks needed to support a genuine revival of Greek shipbuilding.

Topics & Discussion Themes

The State of Greek Shipyards in 2026/The Perama Zone: Challenges & Future
Shipbuilding: Can Greece Build Again?/Talent, Workforce & the Skills Gap/Digitalization & Innovation in Greek Yards

SECOND PART: Yachting

Greek Yachting 2026: Navigating the Frontier of Innovation and Hospitality Excellence

Moderator : Kostas Panagoulas Owner / Publisher



"THE YACHTBOOK" magazine



N. Dafnias

P. Kaia

S. Katsikadis

F. Leschopoulou

T. Polemi

Panelists:

- 1) Nikos Dafnias** Yacht Designer & Naval Architect / Managing Director Alpha Marine LTD
- 2) Popy Kaia** Charter Director of Fraser Yachts, Greece
- 3) Stavros Katsikadis** President of the Greek Marinas Association / Managing Director Lamda Marinas
- 4) Fani Leschopoulou** Head of Sales at Athenian Yachts
- 5) Gina Polemi** Managing Director Regatta Plus / President of Hellenic Committee for Professional Yachting