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1° Αραβο-Ελληνικό Ναυτιλιακό Συνέδριο المؤتمر البحري العربي - اليوناني الأول 1<sup>st</sup> Arab – Hellenic Maritime Conference Athens, 5 - 6 July 2023

# **Program**

# Wednesday, 5 July 2023

09:30 Registration and Networking

10:00 Opening Ceremony

# Introduction:

**Rashad Mabger**, Secretary General, Arab-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce & Development (AHCCD), Greece

# Welcome Addresses:

- ✓ Harris Geronikolas, Chairman of the Board, AHCCD and CEO, City Unity College, Greece
- Suheil Hassib Sabbagh, Chairman, Hassib Sabbagh Foundation, President, Group HR, CCC, Vice President, AHCCD, Greece

# Guests of Honor:

- ✓ Prof. Dr. Khaled Hanafy, Secretary General, Union of Arab Chambers, Lebanon & Board Member, AHCCD, Greece
- Ahed Sweidat, Dean of the Council of Arab Ambassadors & Ambassador of Jordan to Greece, Greece
- ✓ **Prof. Dr. Ali Hamie**, Minister of Public Works & Transport and Professor & Researcher, Lebanon
- ✓ Kostas Skrekas, Minister of Development, Greece\*

# Special Introductions:

- ✓ Dr. Gehan Saleh, Senior Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister of Egypt, Egypt
- ✓ Vasiliki (Vicky) Loizou, Secretary General for International Economic Affairs and Chairperson of the Board "Enterprise Greece", Greece

# 11:15 First Session: North African Arab Countries and Greece

# Part A: Algeria, Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia, and Greece

Exploring the opportunities for cooperation with North African Arab countries in the fields of ports and maritime infrastructure.

<u>Moderator</u>: Christos Vardikos, Attorney at Law and the Consul a.h. for the Commonwealth of Dominica in the Hellenic Republic, Greece

# <u>Speakers:</u>

- ✓ Adra Benboudiaf, Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Economic and Commercial Attaché, Algerian Embassy, Greece
- Mohamed Abdellahi Yaha, Owner & CEO, Maurilog, Mauritania
- ✓ Nektarios Mitsokapas, Marine and Infrastructure Director, Archirodon NV, Greece
- ✓ Mohamed Najib Berriche, Chartering & Operations Manager, Africa Marine Company (AMC), Tunisia

12:15 Networking Break



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## 12:45 Part B: Egypt, Libya, and Greece

The relations between the three neighbouring countries of this marine triangle in South-East Med offer ample opportunities to further enhance their cooperation and investment in the areas of maritime, port, and related industries.

<u>Moderator</u>: Prof. Dr. Khaled Hanafy, Secretary General, Union of Arab Chambers, Lebanon & Board Member, AHCCD, Greece

## Keynote Speaker:

Admiral Ossama Rabiee, Chairman & Managing Director, Suez Canal Authority, Egypt

#### Speakers:

- ✓ Eng. Mohamed Sherine El Naggar, Group Chairman, A. K. Naggar & Co., Egypt
- ✓ Anastasios Vourgas, CEO of Antipollution Egypt, V Group, Greece
- ✓ Dr. Ramadan M. Mgherbi, Shipowner & Executive Manager, Gulf International Company Limited, Libya
- ✓ Nicolas A. Vernicos, Shipowner, President of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Member of the Board of Directors (BOD) of Hellenic Chamber of Shipping, Greece
- ✓ Dr. Ibrahim Taher Arebi, General Manager, Manarat Almadina Shipping Co., Libya

## 14:15 Finger food and Networking

# 15:00 Second Session: North Mashriq Arab Countries (Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria) and Greece

This session will tackle the possibility of transferring technology and know-how in all maritime diverse business activities to the Mashriq countries and the potential of joint partnerships with Greece to boost prosperity for all.

<u>Moderator</u>: Dr. Saleh Jallad, Publisher of Middle East Economic Survey (MEES) & Board Member of AHCCD, Greece

# Speakers:

- ✓ Leonidas Dimitriadis-Evgenidis, IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador in Greece
- ✓ Osamah Khalil Al Kubaisi, Chairman & Founder, Sea Sands Shipping Company and Board Member & Partner in many companies, Iraq
- ✓ Captain Moh'd Eldalabieh, General Secretary, Jordan Shipping Association, Jordan
- ✓ Omar Abdel Karim Itani, President Director General, Port of Beirut, Lebanon
- ✓ Dr. Eng. Salman Ahmad Raya, President, Syrian Chamber of Shipping

#### Special presentations will be delivered by entrepreneurs and their initiative and role in clean seas.

- ✓ Beisan AlSharif, ProjectSea, Co-founder, Jordan
- ✓ Dimitris K. Alexopoulos, Business Partnerships Manager, Enaleia, Greece

**16:15** Networking and closed-door business meetings and discussions between interested parties and professionals, each in their sectors.



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# Thursday, 6 July 2023

# 09:45 Registration and Networking

10:15 Introduction by Rashad Mabger, Secretary General, Arab-Hellenic Chamber

# 10:30 Third Session: GCC Countries and Greece

The GCC Countries' national economic visions provide enormous business and investment opportunities for Greece in port, maritime projects, and relevant domains.

# Part A: Kuwait, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and Greece

Moderator: George Laios, Deputy CEO, Intermodal Shipbrokers Co, Greece

## Keynote Speakers:

- ✓ Eng. Sulaiman M. Ababtain, SVP & CEO, Sofon Holding, Saudi Arabia
- ✓ Deputy CEO, Piraeus Port Authority S.A., Greece

## <u>Speakers</u>:

- ✓ Aisha Moubarek Al-Ajami, Supervisor of Economic Plans and Studies, General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development, Kuwait
- ✓ Rayan Al Bakri, President Advisor, Saudi Ports Authority- MAWANI, Saudi Arabia
- ✓ Prof. Michael Fan, Chief Technical & Innovation Officer, Tsakos Energy Navigation (TEN) Ltd, Greece

12:00 Networking Break

# 12:30 Part B: Bahrain, UAE, Oman, and Greece

<u>Moderator</u>: Prof. Dr. Orestis Schinas, Permanent Representative to the IMO-Union of Comoros and Associate Professor, University of the Aegean, Greece

# Keynote Speakers:

- ✓ Khamis Juma Buamim, Chairman, Dubai Council for Marine & Maritime Industries (DCMMIemirates) and Founder & Chairman, KBI-uae, UAE
- ✓ Dr. Evangelos Kyriazopoulos, Secretary General, Ministry of Shipping & Islands Policy, Greece

# <u>Speakers</u>:

- ✓ Bader Saif Al-Ofi, Economic Advisor, Oman Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Oman
- ✓ Dr. Sotirios Theofanis, Executive Director, MARLOGMIND PC, Thessaloniki and Professor of Practice, CITY College, University of York Europe Campus, Greece
- ✓ Antonis Stelliatos, President, Hellenic Professional Yacht Owners Association, Greece



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## 14:00 Fourth Session: Comoros, Somalia, Yemen, and Greece

This session explores for the potential of cooperation between the three Arab countries and Greece in maritime and relevant business activities and the possibility of transfer of technology and knowhow to these countries.

#### Moderator:

Rashad Mabger, Secretary General, Arab-Hellenic Chamber, Greece

## <u>Speakers:</u>

- ✓ Prof. Dr. Orestis Schinas, Permanent Representative to the IMO-Union of Comoros and Associate Professor, University of the Aegean, Greece
- ✓ Ismail Warsame, Senior Risk Analyst, Port of Portland, USA, Somalia
- ✓ Capt. Basam Soleiman Alsandi, CEO, Yemen Red Sea Ports Corporation, Yemen
- ✓ Nicholas Gerassimou, Lawyer LL.M (Soton) and Vice President of the Hellenic Association of Maritime Law, Greece

15:00 Finger food and Networking

**15:45** Networking and closed-door business meetings and discussions between interested parties and professionals, each in their sectors.

17:30 End of Conference's works

#### Dinner Program:

20:00 Guests Reception

20:30 Welcome Address:

Harris Geronikolas, President, Arab-Hellenic Chamber & CEO, City Unity College, Greece Guests of Honor: Greek Government Representative\*

21:00 Dinner