

# Press Release

## **Capital Link's 1st Cyprus Shipping Forum Thursday, February 9, 2017 in Cyprus**

The inaugural "[Capital Link Cyprus Shipping Forum](#)" will take place in Limassol on Thursday, February 9, 2017, at the Columbia Plaza, under the Auspices of the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works. Capital Link intends to organize this event in Cyprus on an annual basis.

The event aims to highlight the significant role of Cyprus as a maritime, energy and logistics hub and as an investment and business destination. The Forum will feature major international speakers and delegates and local industry leaders in an exchange of ideas on critical industry topics. It will discuss the developments and trends in the major shipping, financial and capital markets as well as issues pertaining to geopolitical and regulatory developments, technical and commercial fleet management. The Forum will highlight the competitive positioning and advantages of Cyprus as a maritime and logistics industry hub.

### **FORUM OVERVIEW AND STRUCTURE**

The Forum is organized Under the Auspices of the **Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works**. **The Cyprus Union of Shipowners and Deloitte are the Lead Sponsors**. The event has the support of the **Department of Merchant Shipping**, the **Cyprus Shipping Chamber** and many others industry associations.

The **Conference Chairman** of the Forum is **Mr. George A. Tsavlis, Principal of Tsavlis Salvage Group**. **Mr. Tsavlis** has held the position of elected Chairman of **INTERMEPA (International Marine Environment Protection Association)**, he is the Chairman of **CYMEPA (Cyprus Marine Environmental Protection Association)**, as well as member of the Board of Directors of the **Cyprus Union of Shipowners** and Honorary Chairman of the **Tsavlis Cultural Foundation**.

**Keynote speakers** of the "**Capital Link Cyprus Shipping Forum**" are:

- **Mr. Marios Demetriades, Minister of Transport Communications & Works of the Republic of Cyprus,**
- **Mr. Martin Stopford, non-Executive President of Clarkson Research Services Ltd and**
- **Mr. Zhang Ye, President of Shanghai Shipping Exchange.**

### **CAPITAL LINK INVEST IN CYPRUS FORUM - NEW YORK, MARCH 22, 2017**

To further enhance awareness of Cyprus as a business and investment destination, the "**Capital Link Invest in Cyprus Forum**" will be organized in New York City on Wednesday, March 22, 2017. The Forum will showcase the increasing importance of Cyprus as a regional maritime, logistics, energy and operational hub and highlight investment and business opportunities in these areas as well as in financial services, IT and tourism.

**Mr. Harris Georgiadis**, Minister of Finance, **Mr. Yiorgos Lakkortypis**, Minister of Energy, Commerce, Industry and Tourism and **Mr. Marios Demetriades**, Minister of Transport, Communications and Works,

will participate and address an audience of high level delegates from the US business, investment and finance communities.

## **ORGANIZERS**

Capital Link is known for the organization of large scale high quality maritime and investor forums in key industry centers, such as New York, London, Athens and Shanghai, and as of 2017 in Limassol. Capital Link organizes fourteen conferences annually, of which seven are focused on the maritime sector. Capital Link's events draw the elite of the financial, investment and maritime communities and provide a unique combination of superior informational content, marketing and networking opportunities. Capital Link's global marketing platform enhances the visibility and reach of these events during the year on a global scale that lasts well beyond the date on which each event is held, becoming a continuous reference point for market participants.

## **REGISTRATION**

To register please go to the link below:

<http://forums.capitallink.com/shipping/2017cyprus/signup.html>

## **INDUSTRY PANEL & PRESENTATION TOPICS TO BE COVERED:**

- **Cyprus as a Maritime, Logistics & Energy Hub**
- **GLOBAL SHIPPING MARKETS**  
*Current Developments & Outlook*  
*A review of the global commodity, energy and shipping markets - Sector review, analysis & outlook*
- **SHIP MANAGEMENT :**  
*Optimizing Technical Fleet Management*  
*Good people pay off - Crewing strategies and staff development*  
*Managing Risks – Cybersecurity*  
*Managing Risks - Foreign Corruption Practices Act*  
*Optimizing Insurance & Reinsurance - Trends & Developments*
- **GEOPOLITICAL & REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING SHIPPING**  
*China, the Global Economy & Shipping*  
*"One Belt - One Road" - The New Silk Road and How it Will Affect Shipping*  
*Geopolitical and regulatory developments affecting shipping*
- **FORUM SESSION ON FINANCE AND CAPITAL MARKETS**  
*Access to Capital as a Competitive Advantage - Bank Finance, Capital Markets, Private Equity & Alternative Financing*  
*Restructuring as a Business & Investment Opportunity*
- **CYPRUS AS A MARITIME, LOGISTICS & ENERGY HUB**  
*Expertise and Infrastructure in Cyprus - Cyprus as an Operational Hub*
- **PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER : THE SHIPOWNER PERSPECTIVE**  
*Is There Light at the End of the Tunnel? - The Shipowner Perspective*

## **TARGET AUDIENCE**

The Forum presents a unique opportunity to meet and network with a large, high-caliber audience of Ship Owners - Ship Managers - Ship Operators - Ship Brokers – Charterers - Risk Insurers – Arbitrators - Marine Technology experts, investment and commercial bankers, analysts, private equity and venture capital firms, law and auditing executives, market analysts, institutional investors, financial advisors, trade and financial media.



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**ABOUT CAPITAL LINK**

With its headquarters in **New York** and presence in **London, Athens** and **Oslo**, Capital Link has been active since **1995** in the field of Investor Relations and Financial Communication. It also organizes annually in New York, London, Athens, Limassol and Shanghai a series of Investment Forums focusing on its main activity fields ([www.capitallinkforum.com](http://www.capitallinkforum.com)).

Capital Link's efforts have been recognized by the 2011 Greek Shipping Lloyds Awards and in 2012 and 2013 the by Intercontinental Finance Magazine. Mr. Nicolas Bornozi has been personally honored for his relentless, efficient and highly effective efforts to promote Greece and Greek Shipping abroad and among the international investment community by the International Propeller Club of the United States and the [AHI-American Hellenic Institute](#).