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# "12TH ANNUAL CAPITAL LINK SHIPPING & MARINE SERVICES FORUM" TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, LONDON – UK

September 4th, 2019

The <u>"12th Annual Capital Link Shipping & Marine Services Forum"</u> will take place on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 116 Pall Mall, in London, in partnership with Fearnley Securities and in cooperation with the London Stock Exchange. The event is held in conjunction with the London International Shipping Week 2019.

Ms. Nusrat Ghani MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State - UK Department for Transport will honor the Forum with her presence and speech.

This Forum, organized on an annual basis, is well known for its large attendance by owners, investors and financiers who come together to discuss sector & industry panels. The London Forum will also provide the opportunity for 1x1 meetings between company management teams and investors.

The Forum will discuss the recent trends and developments in the shipping and marine services sectors, as well as, the financial and capital markets. By attending, participants will gain a deeper understanding of the current state of these industries, the subsequent effects on their investments, and a clear focus on the opportunities and challenges ahead.

## A High Caliber Audience

All of Capital Link's events which are organized across London, New York, Athens, Limassol, Shanghai, Singapore, Tokyo and as of this year in Hong Kong, feature government and industry leaders and present a unique opportunity to meet and network with a large, high-caliber audience of ship owning and offshore executives, institutional investors, research analysts, industry experts, commercial and investment bankers, risk advisors, private equity and venture capital firms, high-net worth investors, and financial media. **The 2019 London** event will be open to the buy and sell side communities as well as the media.

## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Commercial and Investment Bankers • Charterers • Classification Societies • Commodity and Energy Traders • Finance Providers • Financial Advisors • Financial and Trade Media • Hedge Fund Managers • Institutional Investors • P&I Executives • Lawyers and Insurers • Market Analysts and Consultants • Private Equity Firms • Risk Advisors • Ship Managers • Ship Operators • Shipowners • Shipbrokers • Sovereign Wealth Funds • Venture Capital Firms

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## **INDUSTRY PANEL & PRESENTATION TOPICS**

Welcome remarks: Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President - Capital Link.

Opening Remarks: Mr. Marius Halvorsen, President & CEO - Fearnley Securities

**London as a Global Capital Raising & Investment Destination** 

Section remarks by: Mr. Axel Kalinowski, Head of Central and Southern Europe - London Stock Exchange

## Game Changers & Future of the Shipping Industry

The panel will discuss trends and developments that affect the industry – regulations, technology, market forces and more!

Opening Address: Mr. Knut Orbeck-Nilssen, CEO – DNV GL

Moderator: Mr. Joshua Apfelroth, Partner – Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft

#### **Panelists:**

- Mr. Knut Orbeck-Nilssen, CEO DNV GL
- Mr. Frederick J. Kenney, Director of Legal and External Affairs International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- Mr. Lars Robert Pedersen, Deputy Secretary General BIMCO
- Mr. Mark O'Neil, President Columbia Shipmanagement
- Mr. Francis Richardson, CEO Bermuda Shipping and Maritime Authority

## **LNG Presentation**

Section remarks by: Mr. Gonzalo De Arteaga, Senior Analyst – Fearnresearch

## **LNG Sector**

1x1 Discussion

#### **Section remarks by:**

- Mr. Espen Landmark Fjermestad, Equity Research Fearnley Securities
- Mr. Jon Skule Storheill, CEO Awilco LNG

#### **LPG Sector**

1x1 Discussion

## **Section remarks by:**

- Mr. Peder Nicolai Jarlsby, Equity Research Fearnley Securities
- Mr. John Lycouris, CEO Dorian LPG

# **Private Equity & Consolidation**

Is Private Equity an opportunistic short-term or a strategic long-term investor in shipping? Does PE drive industry consolidation? Is there still appetite for shipping investments?

Moderator: Mr. Panos Katsambas, Partner - Reed Smith

#### **Panelists:**

- Mr. Kevin O'Hara, Managing Director AMA Capital Partners
- Mr. Andrian Dacy, Managing Director and Group Head, Global Transportation Group J.P. Morgan Asset Management
- Mr. Paulo Almeida, Portfolio Manager Tufton Oceanic Limited

## The Changing Landscape of Bank Finance as the Main Capital Provider to Shipping

Options available to shipowners from traditional banks – global and specialized banks, new entrants, leasing.

Moderator: Mr. Tony Rice, Partner - HFW

## **Panelists:**

- Mr. Ryan Zhang, Senior Manager, Ship Leasing Dept. AVIC International Leasing Co, Ltd
- Mr. Evan Cohen, Managing Director and Group Head of Maritime Finance Business CIT
- Mr. Shreyas Chipalkatty, Global Head, Shipping, Logistics & Offshore Citi
- Mr. Bill Guo, Executive Director ICBC Financial Leasing

# Asia – The Locomotive for Global Shipping

Section remarks by: Mr. Benjamin Wong, Head of Transport & Industrial - InvestHK

## **Decarbonization – Conquering the Next Frontier**

Beginning of the Longer Journey – Targets, Challenges & Strategies

Moderator: Mr. Patrick Kirkby, Partner – Watson Farley & Williams

#### **Panelists:**

- Mr. Michael Parker, Chairman, Global Shipping, Logistics & Offshore Citi
- Mr. Martin Stopford, Non-Executive President Clarkson Research Services Limited
- Dr. Grahaeme Henderson, Vice President, Shipping & Maritime Shell International Trading and Shipping Company Limited

## **Product Tankers - Sector Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Randy Giveans, Maritime Shipping Group Head, Equity Analyst - Jefferies LLC

## **Panelists:**

- Mr. Kim Ullman, CEO Concordia Maritime
- Mr. Carlos Balestra di Mottola, CFO d'Amico International Shipping
- Mr. Jacob Meldgaard, CEO TORM A/S
- Mr. David Morant, Managing Director Scorpio Tankers

## **Crude Oil Tankers - Sector Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Dr. Arlie G. Sterling, President & Co-Founder – Marsoft Inc

#### **Panelists:**

- Mr. Hugo de Stoop, CEO Euronav
- Mr. Jeffrey Pribor, CFO International Seaways
- Mr. Robert Burke, CEO Ridgebury Tankers
- Mr. Nikos Tsakos, President & CEO Tsakos Energy Navigation, Former Chairman INTERTANKO 2014-2018

## **Capital Markets**

Are capital markets open to shipping? What types of capital shipping companies can raise – debt, equity, structured finance – and where. Are investment banks committed to shipping?

Moderator: Mr. Rolf Johan Ringdal, Partner – BAHR

#### **Panelists:**

- Mr. Jim Cirenza, Managing Director DNB Markets, Inc.
- Mr. Rikard Vabo, Managing Director Corporate Finance Fearnley Securities
- Mr. Douglas Mavrinac, Managing Director Global Head Maritime Investment Banking Jefferies LLC

#### **Alternative Finance**

Alternative Finance has become a much bigger source of funding to shipping. Typical transactions, relative costs, advantages & disadvantages compared to traditional sources of finance.

Moderator: Mrs. Diana Syziu, Legal Director – Hill Dickinson

# Panelists:

- Mr. Nicolas Duran, Partner & Director Investment Banking Fearnleys Securities
- Mr. Richard Moore, Co-Founder and Managing Director Ascension Finance
- Mr. George Cambanis, Managing Director YieldStreet Marine Finance

## **Dry Bulk Shipping - Sector Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Espen Landmark Fjermestad, Equity Research – Fearnley Securities

# Panelists:

- Mr. Magnus Halvorsen, CEO 2020 Bulkers
- Mr. Gary Vogel, CEO Eagle Bulk Shipping

- Mr. Per Heiberg, CFO Golden Ocean
- Mr. Martyn Wade, CEO Grindrod Shipping Holdings
- Mr. Hamish Norton, President Star Bulk Carriers

## **Container Shipping - Sector Panel Discussion**

Moderator: Mr. Richard Meade, Managing Editor – Lloyd's List

#### Panelists:

- Mr. Constantin Baack, CEO MPC Container Ships
- Mr. Aristides Pittas, Chairman & CEO Euroseas Ltd.; Chairman & CEO Eurodry Ltd.
- Mr. Cao Deambrosio, Managing Partner Seamax Capital Management

# **CLOSING REMARKS:**

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