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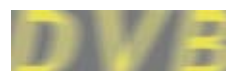


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The sixth installment of the Invest in International Shipping Forums, this investor-focused event allows a platform for high-level executives and shipping companies to share and examine the shipping markets in light of annual results. Institutional investors and analysts, financial advisors, bankers, financial media, and other qualified investors will be in attendance.

11th Annual Closed-End Funds & Global ETFs Capital Link Forum

Wednesday, April 25, 2012, NYC



This annual event, playing host to over 1,000 attendees, will not only address the issues and challenges associated with using closed-end funds (CEFs) and ETFs, but will also present a networking platform for financial advisors, financial planners, institutional investors, fund and asset managers, analysts, financial media, as well as other wealth management professionals.



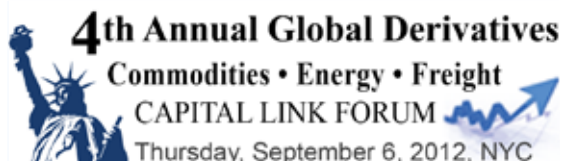
3rd Posidonia

Analyst & Investor Day

Capital Link Shipping Forum

Monday, June 4, 2012 - Athens, Greece

The 3rd Posidonia Forum brings together shipping company executives, investors, analysts, and financiers who are visiting Athens for the biannual Posidonia event from all over the world. Attendees will exchange views on the shipping and capital markets as well as investor attitudes towards shipping. The forum will feature sector roundtable discussions and a network of company CEOs and analysts, investors, and financiers.



4th Annual Global Derivatives

Commodities • Energy • Freight

CAPITAL LINK FORUM

Thursday, September 6, 2012, NYC

As the global derivatives market undergoes further economic and regulatory changes, the ability to effectively manage risks is becoming paramount, and the need for global collaboration is heightening. The fourth in its series, this program will feature a distinguished list of speakers who will provide a unique and insightful global perspective on FFA's, commodities, energy, and freight derivatives.



5th Annual International Shipping & Marine Services

CAPITAL LINK FORUM

Thursday, September 27, 2012 - LSE

In cooperation with the LSE, this event provides investors with a comprehensive review of various shipping markets to investment communities in the UK and throughout Europe. A high-caliber audience of shipowners, shipping 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 attend this London forum every year.



2nd Annual Shipping & Offshore CSR Forum

CAPITAL LINK FORUM

Wednesday, October 31, 2012 - London

With greater industry sophistication, awareness, and expectations, corporate social responsibility (CSR) is an increasingly important issue that shipping and offshore companies cannot afford to ignore. This forum will explore how companies can keep a competitive advantage in terms of gaining market share, attracting top talent, and preserving employee retention by adopting CSR policies.

14th Annual Capital Link Investor Forum - Greece

Thursday, November 29, 2012

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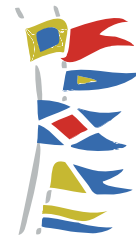
U.S. and Greek business and investment communities will discuss the latest trends in the capital and stock markets while covering topics ranging from shipping, information technology, energy, tourism, banking, and finance to telecommunications and real estate. With annual support from the NYSE and Athens Exchange, this event will include an extensive network of key businesses, investment communities, and government officials.

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Shipping is a cyclical and volatile business – but it is a business that ultimately endures the test of time and it has been, is, and will be a critical link in the global economy and trade. So, referring to the famous quote “Without this transport, half of the world’s population would starve and the other half would freeze.”

Today’s market conditions put to the test the whole shipping industry – owners, charterers, financiers, and the multitude of service providers. Shipping is today at crossroads, with the problems stemming mainly from the supply side for most sectors. On the other hand, the offshore drilling industry enjoys positive fundamentals both in the short and longer term.

But as history has shown throughout the many cycles the shipping industry has gone through, weak markets can generate attractive opportunities for well selected, well timed and well priced asset acquisitions. Astute shipowners have proved over the centuries to be the masters of this challenge having a unique track record with the timing of their asset acquisitions and divestitures. Also, we are now clearly witnessing increased interest from financial investors to enter shipping acquiring assets, which indicates that the timing is becoming ripe for such strategic moves.

Today, the real challenge is not whether opportunities will surface – they always do surface during weak markets. The real challenge is who can take advantage of these opportunities given the new landscape in the world of finance and capital markets. Strong liquidity and access to financing are critical success factors in this pursuit, especially as bank financing has become less available and more costly and capital markets have not been particularly friendly to shipping.

Furthermore, when it comes to spotting the proper investment opportunities, there is also a new reality. New ship designs, focusing on operational and fuel efficiencies and environmental friendliness create a new competitive landscape and affect the investment decisions.

With over 45 shipping company executives and industry experts from investing banking firms, law firms, consulting firms, banks, maritime organizations and classification societies, as well as financial and professional services firms, our Forum not only covers the latest developments and trends in international trade, offshore drilling, dry bulk commodities, and the energy markets—framed against the broader backdrop of the global economy—but also reviews the various funding alternatives for raising capital among listed and private shipping companies. Also, it addresses other critical topics that the industry faces such as structuring and bankruptcy issues and discusses investment opportunities in various sectors including ship recycling.

Capital Link’s Shipping Forums are well-known for their high quality and effectiveness. They are unique marketing and networking events attended by a large and high caliber audience of shipping industry executives, such as owners, commercial and investment bankers, media, and a wide range of other industry participants.

Capital Link has made a major commitment to serve as an effective link between shipping and investors around the world. In this context, beyond the tailor made investor relations and financial communications strategies we formulate and execute for each of our clients, we have undertaken several initiatives aimed to enhance the information flow and raise the profile of shipping to the wider investment community.

We believe that with our shipping website, webinars, newsletters and conferences in Athens, London and New York, we have established a platform that links investors and shipping companies and enables them to interact effectively.

We would like to thank the sponsors and media partners of our event for their support and contribution in making this event such a unique success. We are gratified to see that the majority of our sponsors are with us year after year and support all of our Shipping Forums, indicating the wide acceptance of the Capital Link Shipping Forums in the financial, investment and shipping communities.

Sincerely,
Nicolas Bornozis, President



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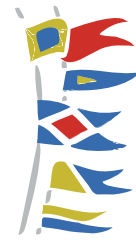
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7:30 AM - 8:00 AM		REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST
MORNING SESSION		
PANEL DISCUSSIONS & SECTOR PRESENTATIONS (West Lounge, 1st Floor)		
7:55 AM - 8:00 AM	Welcome Remarks , Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President - Capital Link, Inc.	
8:00 AM - 8:20 AM	The Global Economy and World Trade Mr. Nick Kounis, Head of Marco Research, Group Economics - ABN AMRO	
8:20 AM - 8:55 AM	Container Sector Panel – Developments, Trends & Sector Outlook Moderator: Mr. Michael Webber, Vice President & Senior Equity Analyst - Wells Fargo Securities, LLC Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. John Coustas, CEO - Danaos Corporation Mr. Aristides J. Pittas, CEO - Euroseas Ltd. Mr. Claes Devantier, Sr. Vice President - Maersk Broker Mr. Kevin Kennedy, Director – The Synergy Group 	
8:55 AM - 9:40 AM	Dry Bulk Sector Panel – Developments, Trends & Sector Outlook Moderator: Mr. Ben Nolan, Director & Head of Shipping Research - Knight Capital Group Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Ismini Panayotides, Business Development Officer - Excel Maritime Carriers Ltd Dr. Loukas Barmparis, President & Director - Safe Bulkers Inc. Mr. Dale Ploughman, CEO - Seenergy Maritime Holdings Corp. Mr. Spyros Capralos, CEO - Star Bulk Carriers Corp. 	
9:40 AM - 10:15 AM	Shipping and Bank Financing Moderator: Mr. Emil Yiannopoulos, Partner, Territory Assurance Leader – PwC Greece Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Gust Biesbroeck, Head of Transportation - ABN AMRO Mr. Evan Cohen, Managing Director, Dry Bulk Group – DVB Group Merchant Bank (Asia) Mr. Ronny Bjørnådal, SVP & Global Head of Syndicated Loans - Nordea Bank Norge ASA 	
10:15 AM - 10:50 AM	Chapter 11: Safe Haven or Bermuda Triangle? Moderator: Mr. Evan D. Flaschen, Partner - Bracewell & Giuliani LLP Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Robert G. Burns, Partner - Bracewell & Giuliani LLP Mr. John Ashmead, Partner - Seward & Kissel LLP Mr. Steven Strom, Managing Director, Global Head, Restructuring & Recapitalization - Jefferies & Co. 	
10:50 AM - 11:25 AM	Restructuring: A New Beginning Moderator: Mr. Stuart Gelfond, Partner - Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Paul Leand, CEO - AMA Capital Partners Mr. Jeffrey D Pribor, Chief Financial Officer - General Maritime Corporation (NYSE: GMR) Mr. Michael Rosenthal, Partner – Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP Mr. Alfred Yudes, Partner - Watson, Farley & Williams, LLP 	
11:25AM - 12:05PM	Are Capital Markets Open to Shipping? Moderator: Mr. Steve P. Farrell, Partner - Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Sandy Reddin, Managing Director, Maritime Shipping Capital Markets - Knight Capital Group Mr. Wiley Griffiths, Executive Director, Global Transportation - Morgan Stanley Mr. Philippe Chryssicopoulos, Managing Director - Bank of America Merrill Lynch Mr. Magnus Halvorsen, Head of Capital Markets - RS Platou Markets, AS 	
12:05PM - 12:45PM	Alternative Sources of Ship Finance Moderator: Ms. Sofia Kalomenidis, Assurance Services - Ernst & Young Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Hamish Norton, Managing Director - Jefferies & Co. Mr. Peter Sorkin, Managing Director - Knight Capital Group Mr. Erik Helberg, CEO - RS Platou Markets, AS 	

1:00 PM - 2:15 PM	<p align="center">(Main Dining Room, 3rd Floor)</p> <p align="center">Luncheon and Keynote Address By Mr. Harris Antoniou Managing Director & Global Head Energy, Commodities & Transportation - ABN AMRO</p> <p align="center">Shipping & Finance in Uncharted Waters</p>
AFTERNOON SESSION	
PANEL DISCUSSIONS & SECTOR PRESENTATIONS (West Lounge, 1st Floor)	
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	<p align="center">Offshore Panel – Developments, Trends & Sector Outlook</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Anders Bergland, Head of Equity Research - RS Platou Markets, Oslo</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. George Economou, CEO - Ocean Rig (NASDAQ: ORIG), CEO - DryShips (NASDAQ: DRYS) • Mr. Simen Lieungh, CEO - Odfjell Drilling, Oslo (OSLO.ODF.OL) • Mr. Bill Rose, CEO - Prospector Offshore Drilling (PROS NO) • Mr. Tor Olav Trøim, Vice President & Director – Seadrill / North Atlantic Drilling Ltd. (NYSE:SDRL)
3:15 PM - 3:50 PM	<p align="center">Tanker Sector Panel – Developments, Trends & Sector Outlook</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Douglas J. Mavrinac, Managing Director - Jefferies & Co.</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. George Saroglou, COO - Tsakos Energy Navigation (NYSE: TNP) • Mr. Ted Petrone, President - Navios Maritime Acquisition (NYSE: NNA) • Mr. Robert Bugbee, President & Director – Scorpio Tankers (NYSE: STNG)
3:50 PM - 4:10 PM	<p align="center">Investment Opportunities in Shipping Today</p> <p>Mr. Magnus Fyhr, CEO, Managing Director - Clarkson Capital Markets</p>
4:10 PM - 4:30 PM	<p align="center">Ship Recycling - Headline “Risk” or Opportunity?</p> <p>Dr. Anil Sharma - Founder, President & CEO – Global Marketing System</p>
4:30 PM - 5:20 PM	<p align="center">Analyst Panel: Investor Attitudes in Shipping & Shipping Markets Outlook</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Daniel Rodgers, Partner – Watson, Farley & Williams, LLP</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Michael S. Pak, Sr. Vice President & Equity Research Analyst -Clarkson Capital Markets • Mr. Douglas J. Mavrinac, Managing Director - Jefferies & Co. • Mr. Ben Nolan, Director & Head of Shipping Research - Knight Capital Group • Mr. Fotis Giannakoulis, Vice President, Shipping - Morgan Stanley • Mr. Michael Webber, Vice President & Senior Equity Analyst - Wells Fargo Securities, LLC
5:20PM - 6:30 PM	<div>  <div> TEN LTD TSAKOS ENERGY NAVIGATION LTD </div> </div> <div align="center"> <p>COCKTAIL RECEPTION</p> <p>Sponsored by</p> <p>Tsakos Energy Navigation</p> </div> <div>  <div> TEN LTD TSAKOS ENERGY NAVIGATION LTD </div> </div>

COMPANY PRESENTATIONS (James Room, 2nd Floor)	
Introduced by: Mr. Fotis Giannakoulis, Vice President, Shipping - Morgan Stanley	
9:20 AM - 9:40 AM	Danaos Corporation : Mr. Evangelos Chatzis, CFO
9:40 AM - 10:00 AM	Euroseas Ltd: Mr. Aristides J. Pittas, CEO
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Excel Maritime Carriers Ltd: Mr. Pavlos Kanellopoulos, CFO
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11:00 AM - 11:20 PM	Safe Bulkers Inc.: Dr. Loukas Barmparis, President & Director
11:20 AM - 11:40 PM	Star Bulk Carriers Corp.: Mr. Spyros Capralos, CEO
11:40 PM - 12:00 PM	Tsakos Energy Navigation, Ltd: Mr. George Saroglou, COO
12:00 PM - 12:35 PM	DryShips Inc. / Ocean Rig: Mr. Ziad Nakhleh, CFO

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In our effort to enhance the information flow to the investment community and contribute to improving investor knowledge of shipping, Capital Link has undertaken a series of initiatives beyond the traditional scope of its investor relations activity, such as:



www.CapitalLinkShipping.com

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TEN is one of the oldest running public Greek Shipping Companies (1993). The Company's shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker "TNP."



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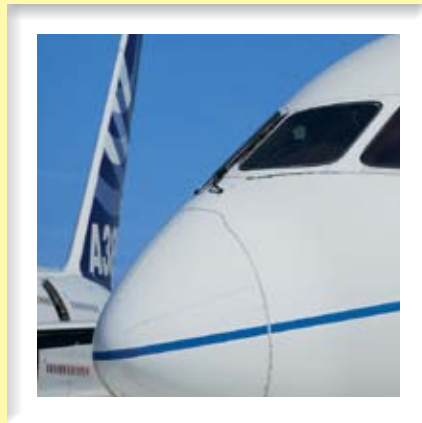
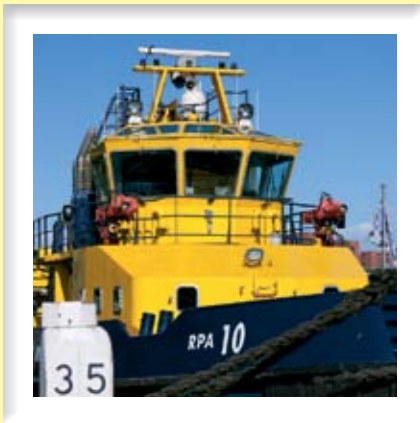
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CCM provides key services of a specialised investment bank, with the added advantage of a detailed knowledge of, and, extensive connections in the international shipping community. CCM is also able to draw on the unrivalled, in-house intelligence resources of Clarkson Research Services for the benefit of their clients.

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We are proud that we have succeeded in standing at the forefront of the Global and Greek Shipping Industry for many years now, both as auditors and as advisors to a large number of public and private

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The realities and myths of Chapter 11

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THERE has been much discussion and commentary recently about non-US shipping companies using US Chapter 11 proceedings.

Chapter 11 is seen as either as the scourge of international maritime finance or as a rescue option for distressed shipping companies. In truth, it is neither. This article aims to address four of the most common myths about Chapter 11. It is strictly the last option for distressed shipping companies. But under the right circumstances, it can benefit both companies and lenders.

Myth: it is an abuse for non-US shippers to file for Chapter 11.

Reality: distressed shipping companies file for Chapter 11 for two reasons. First, they have run out of options to keep their businesses as going concerns, because forbearance discussions with their lenders have broken down and lenders have started to arrest vessels and freeze cash.

Second, as Judge James Peck noted in his *Marco Polo Seatrade* decision, Chapter 11 may be the only insolvency regime that allows a shipping company to reorganise its vessels and operations around the world.

Dutch law only protects assets in the Netherlands, the location of *Marco Polo's* headquarters, while English law, which typically governs ship finance documents, prevents a company neither domiciled or headquartered in the UK filing for insolvency.

Similarly, for a company such as *Omega Navigation Enterprises* headquartered in Greece, Greek insolvency law does not allow reorganisation of businesses as a practical matter. This is also the case under Marshall Island and Liberian law.

Myth: Chapter 11 is unfair to ship lenders.

Reality: Chapter 11 contains many provisions to protect secured lenders, including the right to "adequate protection" of their interests and to seek relief from the court at any time. It also requires the debtor company to seek court permission to engage in any transaction outside the ordinary course of business.

The *Marco Polo Seatrade* Chapter 11 case is a good example of this. While Judge Peck denied motions by the ship lenders to terminate the Chapter 11 cases, he focused on protecting the economic interests of the ship lenders and put the debtor on what he called "a really tight leash — this case will not be an opportunity for the lenders to be abused in any way".

Judge Karen Brown in the *Omega Navigation Enterprises* case gave the debtor a longer leash to reorganise. But as Lloyd's List reported at the time, ("Outrage after judge accuses German lender of 'reckless disregard for the truth'", December 20, 2011), part of her rationale was based on perceived misconduct by the lenders themselves.

Myth: there are few consequences if a shipping company files for Chapter 11.

Reality: distressed companies turn to Chapter 11 as the last option. The publicity



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surrounding a Chapter 11 filing can damage the company's business as charterers, trade vendors, shipyards, seafarers and others are less likely to extend credit or enter into any contracts other than short-term ones.

Chapter 11 is also a very expensive exercise, as the shipping company must pay substantially increased professional fees to its own advisory team and the professional fees for an "official committee of unsecured creditors" appointed to protect the interests of all unsecured creditors of the company.

Chapter 11 sets a relatively brief period for the shipping company to propose a plan of reorganisation. The initial 'exclusivity' period is four months and can only be extended if the company can satisfy the court that it has "cause". Once the exclusivity period expires any party in the case, including the ship lenders and the unsecured creditors' committee, can file their own plans of reorganisation or seek other remedies.

Myth: US bankruptcy judges are pro-debtor and anti-lender.

Reality: the *Marco Polo Seatrade* decision clearly dispels this myth. Judge Peck put *Marco Polo* on a "really tight leash" to ensure that ship lenders did not suffer material harm while the Chapter 11 case continued. He told *Marco Polo's* counsel: "The good news is that I'm keeping the case, and the bad news is that I'm keeping the case."

The *Omega Navigation Enterprises* decision suggests nothing different. Judge Brown emphasised, referring to the assertions made by *Omega's* secured lenders, that: "United States bankruptcy courts take such claims very seriously and ordinarily schedule a hearing quickly to determine whether there is a threat to the bankruptcy estate... These claims are very important and, if proven, may well justify dismissal, conversion, or relief from stay."

The reason the judge denied the *Omega* lenders' claims was not pro-debtor bias but her belief that the lenders did not prove their claims.

US bankruptcy judges are neither pro-debtor nor pro-lender — they are pro-reorganisation. Chapter 11 offers distressed companies a reasonable opportunity to reorganise their businesses. If they can do so by maintaining the debtors as going concerns, Chapter 11 maximises value for the company and ensures that the ship lenders, unsecured creditors, employees and trade vendors continue to have a viable customer.

The *Marco Polo Seatrade* and *Omega Navigation Enterprises* cases have established Chapter 11 as a viable option for global shipping companies.

In the words of the Lloyd's List article, the *Omega Navigation Enterprises* decision has set "an extraordinary precedent for other foreign shipping companies seeking refuge from unpaid banks through the US bankruptcy courts".

However, companies should consider Chapter 11 only as a last resort, having exhausted all other options to address their financial problems outside the courts. Chapter 11 is best compared to a hospital emergency room: it offers emergency surgery, but not a miracle cure.

For a distressed company with a viable business, Chapter 11 provides a chance to return to health — at a price. But for a company whose business is unsustainable or that has waited too long to seek protection, the chances are it will die on the operating table. Perhaps deservedly so. ■

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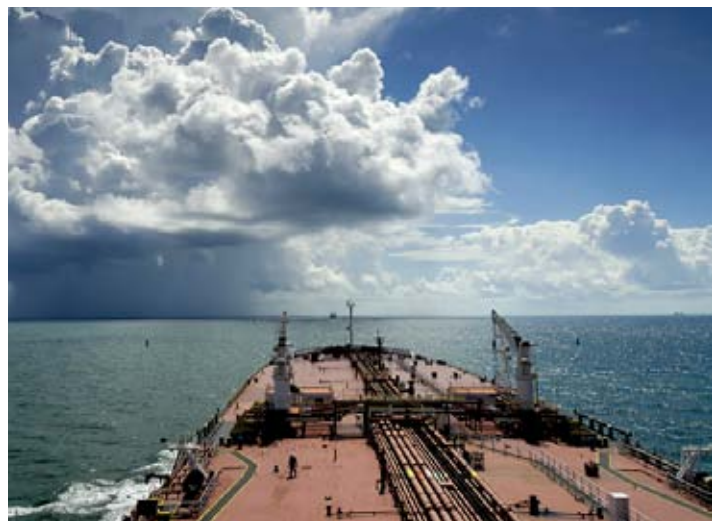
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Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

March 2010



Ship Finance International Limited

USD 725,000,000

Term Loan / Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

June 2010



Seadrill Limited

USD 1,200,000,000

Revolving Credit

Sole Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

July 2010



Scorpio Tankers Inc.

USD 150,000,000

Term Loan

Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner & Facility Agent

August 2010



Acergy S.A.

USD 1,000,000,000

Revolving Credit/ Guarantee Facility

Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

August 2010



General Maritime Corporation

USD 372,000,000

Term Loan

Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner & Facility Agent

September 2010



Stena AB

SEK 6,660,000,000

Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger

September 2010



Veritable Maritime Holdings

USD 550,000,000

Term Loan

Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner & Facility Agent

September 2010



Viken Shuttle AS

USD 450,000,000

Term Loan

Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

September 2010



Crude Carriers Corp.

USD 200,000,000

Revolving Credit

Sole Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

September 2010



Gearbulk Shipowning Ltd.

USD 160,000,000

Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

October 2010



Seadrill Limited

USD 700,000,000

Term Loan / Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

October 2010



Songa Offshore SE

USD 531,728,582

Term Loan / Revolving Credit / Guarantee Facility
Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

October 2010



Schlumberger Norge AS

NOK 600 000 000

Swing Line / Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

November 2010



NCL Corporation Ltd

EUR 1,185,767,305

Term Loan

Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

November 2010



Seawell Limited

USD 550,000,000

Term Loan / Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger & Joint Bookrunner

November 2010



Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd.

USD 525,000,000

Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner & Facility Agent

November 2010



Solstad Rederi ASA

NOK 1,470,000,000

Term Loan

Sole Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

December 2010



DOF ASA

NOK 998,000,000

Term Loan / Revolving Credit

Joint Lead Arranger, Sole Bookrunner & Facility Agent

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Seanergy Maritime Holdings Corp. is a Marshall Islands corporation with its executive offices in Athens, Greece. The Company is engaged in the transportation of dry bulk cargoes through the ownership and operation of dry bulk carriers.

The Company's current fleet consists of 19 drybulk carriers (four Capesize, three Panamax, two Supramax, and ten Handysize vessels) with a total carrying capacity of approximately 1,256,962 dwt and an average fleet age of 13.7 years.

The Company's common stock trades on the NASDAQ Global Market under the symbol "SHIP." For more information, please visit the company's website at www.seanergymaritime.com.



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Currently, Star Bulk's fleet consists of fourteen dry bulk carriers, consisting of six Capesize vessels and eight Supramax vessels and a combined cargo carrying capacity of 1,475,005 deadweight tons and an average age of approximately 9.3 years. Its common stock trades on the Nasdaq Global Market under the symbol "SBLK." For more information, please visit the company's website at www.starbulk.com.

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Harris Antoniou is Global Head of ABN AMRO's Energy, Commodities & Transportation (ECT) business. He is a member of the bank's Management Group and the Management Team of the Large Corporates & Merchant Banking division, as well as of various credit, risk and investment committees.

Harris joined ABN AMRO in 1992 within the bank's Global Clients UK department based in Amsterdam. He joined Bank Mees & Hope in 1993 and has since performed a variety of senior management positions within MeesPierson and then Fortis, including Managing Director of Transportation and Chief Representative in Greece. He was appointed CEO of ECT in 2008, a role he retained following the merger of ABN AMRO and Fortis Bank Nederland in 2010.

He is a graduate of Piraeus University in Greece, gained an MBA from Erasmus University in the Netherlands and has completed the General Management Program of Harvard Business School. He was as an officer in the Hellenic Navy during his national service.

Harris is currently responsible for the international relations of the Association of Banking and Shipping Executives of Hellenic Shipping and a member of American Chamber of Commerce in the Netherlands. He is married, has four children and lives in Amsterdam.



John R. Ashmead
Partner
Seward & Kissel

John R. Ashmead is a partner in Seward & Kissel's Bankruptcy and Reorganization Group and Business Transactions (M&A/Private Equity) Group. John has practiced law since 1990.

John's expertise spans workouts, Chapter 11 cases (and foreign insolvency proceedings), bankruptcy/distressed acquisitions, bankruptcy related litigation, structured finance transactions and private equity investments, including acquisitions, mergers and divestitures. He represents lenders, other creditors, equity holders, acquirers, hedge funds, as well as directors and members of formal and informal stakeholder committees.

In the past few years, John has advised several principal players in the shipping industry, including lender groups, owners/charterers, and shipping companies. He is presently actively involved in several in court and out of court shipping matters.

John was a law clerk to the Honorable Cornelius Blackshear, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York from 1990-1992.

John has appeared before Bankruptcy Courts nationwide. He has authored several articles in the bankruptcy and restructuring area, and lectured on such topics as well.

John is a Fellow of the American College of Investment Counsel and has been recognized as a leading lawyer in bankruptcy by New York Super Lawyers (2011, 2010) and as a Rising Star by Institutional Investor (2008).

John received a B.S. from St. John's University in 1987 and a J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1990 where he served on the Law Review. He is a member of the New York Bar and admitted to practice in several courts in and outside New York.



Loukas Barmparis
President & Director
Safe Bulkers, Inc.

Dr. Loukas Barmparis is our President and Secretary and has been a member of our board of directors since 2008. Dr. Barmparis also serves as the technical manager of our Manager, which he joined in February 2006. Until 2009 he was the project development manager of the affiliated Alasia Development S.A., responsible for renewable energy projects.

Prior to joining our Manager and Alasia Development S.A., from 1999 to 2005 and from 1993 to 1995, Dr. Barmparis was employed at N. Daskalantonakis Group, Grecotel, one of the largest hotel chains in Greece, as technical manager and project development general manager. During the interim period between 1995 and 1999, Dr. Barmparis was employed at Exergia S.A. as an energy consultant.

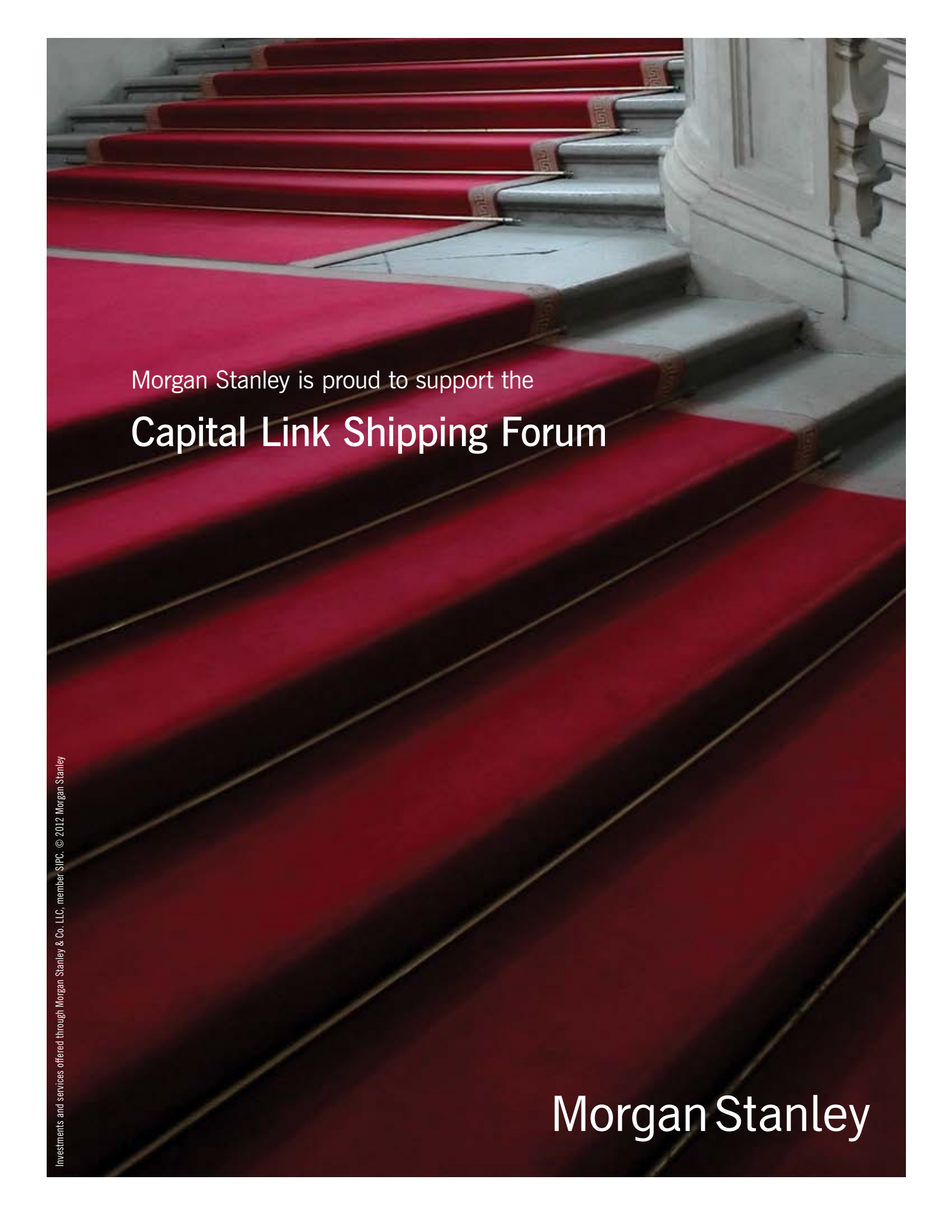
Dr. Barmparis holds a master of business administration ("MBA") from the Athens Laboratory of Business Administration, a doctorate from the Imperial College of Science Technology and Medicine, a master of applied science from the University of Toronto and a diploma in mechanical engineering from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.



Anders Bergland
Head of Equity Research
RS Platou Markets

Anders Bergland took the position as Head Of Equity Research in RS Platou Markets in December 2010. He is leading a team of 11 dedicated analysts with global coverage of shipping, E&P and oil services sectors.

The RS Platou Markets Group is headquartered in Oslo, with offices in New York and Singapore. As the investment banking arm of RS Platou, they are very dedicated and active within the Shipping and Offshore sectors. Transactions include IPO's and Private Placements in Europe, Asia and the US. Prior to joining RS Platou Markets Anders Bergland has worked in various investment banks including ABG Sunndal & Collier. Anders Bergland holds a Master of Science degree in finance and business administration from Copenhagen Business School and HEC, Paris.



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Gust Biesbroeck
Global Head of ECT-Transportation
ABN AMRO

Gust has a global responsibility for ABN AMRO' Shipping - and Aviation activities. Before assuming this responsibility, he has been working for ABN AMRO, and his predecessors, for 7 years as risk- and portfolio manager in the Shipping - and Transportation Group.

Prior to joining ABN AMRO, Gust worked for over 10 years for Nedship Bank (now DVB) in various commercial roles in Rotterdam, Athens and Hong Kong. Gust is a graduate from Erasmus University's Economic Faculty and did an executive GMP program at Cedep in Fontainebleau, France



Ronny Bjørnådal
Senior Vice President & Global Head of
Syndicated Loans
Nordea

Ronny Bjørnådal is Senior Vice President and Global Head of Syndicated Loans in Nordea. Mr. Bjørnådal has worked in Nordea since 1997. He is currently based in Oslo but have worked several years in Nordea's New York office. Mr. Bjørnådal is responsible for the origination, structuring, syndication and documentation of all large syndicated loans that Nordea lead arrange for the shipping, offshore, oil services and cruise industries. Nordea is one of the largest arrangers of debt transactions globally. In 2011, Nordea arranged approx. \$21.5 billion of new transactions in a lead capacity role.

In addition he is responsible for the agency function for all transactions that Nordea act for as administrative agent. Nordea is one of the largest agent to the industries and manage a portfolio of loans for an aggregate amount of approx. \$50 million.



Nicolas Bornozis
President and CEO
Capital Link, Inc.

Since 1996 Mr. Nicolas Bornozis is the founder, President and CEO of Capital Link, Inc., an international investor relations and financial advisory group. It assists listed companies and capital markets related organizations to develop and maintain access to European and North American investors. Capital Link has offices in New York, London and Athens and is a leader in investor relations for listed shipping companies, U.S. Closed-End Funds and ETFs and international companies accessing the U.S. and European markets.

He also established and managed, Alexander Capital, L.P, a US broker-dealer firm, which developed brokerage and investment

banking business in North America with the Greek, Egyptian and Russian markets. Sold the company at the end of 2003 to a group of US investors representing Russian interests. Between 1998 and 2002, he also established and managed Alexander Asset Management, Inc. which handled portfolios invested in the Greek and European equity markets.

Prior to Capital Link (1988-1995), he served as President and CEO of CCF International Finance Corp. (CCF IFC), the US broker/dealer subsidiary of Credit Commercial de France, now part of HSBC, and worked at the International Department of Bankers Trust Company in New York (1982-1984) and then at the Commercial Banking operation of CCF in New York (1985-1987) focusing on the financing of Wall Street firms and shipping.

He holds an MBA from Harvard Business School (1982) and a Law Degree from the University of Athens (1979), in Greece with specialization in commercial and corporate law and is a graduate of Athens College in Greece.

For a period of twelve years he was a Visiting Lecturer on International Banking and Finance at the City University Business School (Department for Shipping Trade and Finance) in London, United Kingdom. Also, he served as Chairman of the Investment Management Committee of the Harvard Business School Club in New York.



Robert Bugbee
President
Scorpio Tankers Inc.

Mr. Robert L. Bugbee is President and Director of Scorpio Tankers Inc. He has more than 26 years of experience in the shipping industry. He joined the Group in February 2009 and has continued to serve there in senior management.

From 1995 to 2007, Mr. Bugbee was employed at OMI Corporation, or OMI, a NYSE-listed tanker company sold in 2007. While at OMI, Mr. Bugbee most recently served as President from January 2002 until the sale of the company, and he previously served as Executive Vice President since January 2001, Chief Operating Officer since March 2000 and Senior Vice President of OMI from August 1995 to June 1998. Mr. Bugbee joined OMI in February 1993.

Prior to this, he was employed by Gotaas-Larsen Shipping Corporation since 1984. During this time he took a two year sabbatical from 1987 for the M.I.B. Programme at the Norwegian School for Economics and Business administration in Bergen. He has a Fellowship from the International Shipbrokers Association and a B.A. (Honors) in from London University



Robert Burns
Partner
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Robert Burns is a partner in Bracewell & Giuliani's financial restructuring group. Bob is currently lead debtor counsel for Marco Polo Seatrade B.V. He also regularly advises hedge funds and private equity funds seeking investment opportunities in the shipping sector. Prior to joining Bracewell, Bob

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served as the general counsel of a large distressed debt hedge fund, where he worked closely with the portfolio team in the legal assessment of investment opportunities in several industries.

Bob brings a unique background to maritime matters, having previously served as general counsel to the largest inland shipping company where he managed a variety of debt restructurings and distressed asset transactions worldwide.



Spyros I. Capralos
President and Chief Executive Officer
Star Bulk Carriers Corp.

Spyros Capralos is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the public listed shipping company Star Bulk Carriers Corp. since February 7, 2011. From 2004 until October 2010, Mr. Capralos served as Chairman (Executive) of the Athens Exchange and CEO of the Hellenic Exchanges Group. From 2008 to 2010 he served as President of the Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE). He has been elected President of the Hellenic Olympic Committee for a 4 year term.

From 2000 to 2004 he has held the positions of the General Secretary for the Olympic Games of the Ministry of Culture and of the Executive Director and Deputy Chief Operating Officer of the Organizing Committee for the ATHENS 2004 Olympic Games. Between 1990 and 2000, he has served as Deputy Governor (Executive) of the National Bank of Greece, Chairman of ETEVA Bank, Chairman of the Insurance Company ASTIR, Managing Director of EPIRUS Co., Managing Director of EFG Balkan Investments, Managing Director of Bank of Athens, following a ten-year international banking career with Bankers Trust Company (Paris, New York, Athens, Milan, London).

Champion of Greece in Swimming (1969-1975), he participated as a water polo athlete in the 1980 and 1984 Olympic Games (Moscow and Los Angeles), while in 1996 he was appointed as Head of the Greek Olympic Team in the Olympic Games of Atlanta. Born in Athens in 1955, he studied Economics at the University of Athens and earned his Master's Degree in Business Administration from INSEAD in France. Apart from Greek he speaks English, French and Italian fluently.



Evangelos Chatzis
Chief Financial Officer
Danaos Corporation

Evangelos Chatzis is our Chief Financial Officer and Secretary. Mr. Chatzis has been with Danaos Corporation since 2005 and has over 17 years of experience in corporate finance and the shipping industry. During his years with Danaos he has been actively engaged in the company's initial public offering in the United States and has led a variety of projects, the latest being the successfully concluded comprehensive financing plan of the company. Throughout his career he has developed considerable experience in operations, corporate finance, treasury and risk management and international business structuring.

Prior to joining Danaos, Evangelos was the Chief Financial Officer

of Globe Group of Companies, a public company in Greece engaged in a diverse scope of activities including dry bulk shipping, the textile industry, food production & distribution and real estate. During his years with Globe Group, he was involved in mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings and privatizations. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the London School of Economics, a Master's of Science degree in Shipping & Finance from City University Cass Business School, as well as a post-graduate diploma in Shipping Risk Management from IMD Business School.

Philippe Chryssicopoulos
Managing Director
Bank of America Merrill Lynch

Philippe is a Managing Director at Bank of America Merrill Lynch and Head of Greece & Cyprus Investment Banking and Head of Shipping Investment Banking for Europe, Middle East & Africa.

Philippe has over 12 years of experience in investment banking. He joined Merrill Lynch in 1998 and has since worked across several products, sectors and geographies within investment banking. For the past three years, Philippe has worked within the Multi-Industries team in London, focusing on Shipping and Transportation Infrastructure (airports, toll-roads, ports). He previously spent six years in Corporate Finance in London working on a variety of complex financing transactions across the product spectrum (M&A financing, IPO, high yield and investment grade bonds). Philippe started his career in New York.

Philippe has completed close to 55 transactions to date, totalling \$130bn in M&A advisory transactions; \$95bn in equity financings; \$19bn in debt/convertible financings. Recent selected transactions include Golar LNG Partners' US\$270m Initial Public Offering (IPO); Costamare's US\$160m IPO; Diana Containerships US\$107m; Navios Maritime Partners' \$112m and US\$80m add-on offerings in 2010; Navios Maritime Acquisition Corp's \$400m secured high yield bond offering; Crude Carriers' \$260m Initial Public Offering; AP Moller Maersk's \$1.6bn add-on equity offering; Navios Maritime Holdings' \$400m secured high yield offering; Cintra's €1.2 billion reverse merger with Grupo Ferrovial; Sacyr's sale of Itinere Infraestructuras for €7.9bn; DP World's \$4.3bn Initial Public Offering; \$3.1bn bond offering of Hellenic Telecommunications Organisation (OTE); advisor to OTE's \$4.1bn acquisition of Cosmote; \$1.5bn accelerated bookbuilding equity offering for the Hellenic Republic's stake in OTE

He holds a BSc in International Economics from Georgetown University and is fluent in English, French and Greek.








Evan Cohen
Managing Director, Dry Bulk Group
DVB Group Merchant Bank (Asia)

Mr. Cohen is responsible for the Global Drybulk shipping business at DVB and has recently been appointed to the board of DVB Capital Markets. He has been at DVB since 2001. He previously led DVB's European shipping team. Prior to DVB, Evan was a finance director with Aconarit/V. Ships and the Inter maritime Group.



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Evan received his MBA from Columbia University and Bachelor's Degree from The Wharton School.



John Coustas
President & Chief Executive Officer
Danaos Corporation

Dr. John Coustas is President and Chief Executive Officer of Danaos Corporation. He has over 25 years of experience in the shipping industry and assumed management of Danaos in 1987 from his father, Dimitris Coustas, who founded Danaos Shipping in 1972.

Dr. J. Coustas is Vice Chairman and a member of the board of directors of The Swedish Club and Chairman of the board of directors of HELMEPA (Hellenic Maritime Protection Agency). Additionally, he is on the board of directors of both the Union of Greek Ship-owners and the Cyprus Union of Ship-owners. He holds a degree in Marine Engineering from National Technical University of Athens as well as a Master degree in Computer Science and a Ph.D in Computer Control from Imperial College, London.



Claes Devantier
Senior Vice President
Maersk Broker

Claes Devantier is Senior Vice President of Maersk Broker, Copenhagen.

His career with Maersk Broker started in 1987 and has included various positions with Maersk Broker Asia; initially in Hong Kong, then Singapore and lastly in Tokyo where he was heading up the Maersk Broker Japan office.

In 2000 Claes Devantier returned to Maersk Broker Copenhagen and has since then been in charge of the global Maersk Broker Container Vessel activities. - Additional responsibilities include Maersk Broker Research.

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George Economou
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
Dryships Inc.

George Economou has over 30 years of experience in the maritime industry and he has served as Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Dryships Inc. since its incorporation in 2004. He successfully took the Company public in February 2005, on NASDAQ under the trading symbol: DRYS.

Mr. Economou has overseen the Company's growth into the largest US listed drybulk company in fleet size and revenue and the second largest Panamax owner in the world. The company subsequently invested and developed Ocean Rig UDW an owner of rigs and ships involved in ultra deep water drilling.

Mr. Economou is the Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ocean Rig UDW.

Mr. Economou is a member of ABS Council, Intertanko Hellenic Shipping Forum and Lloyds Register Hellenic Advisory Committees. Since 2010, Mr. Economou has also been a member of the board of directors of Danaos Corporation. Apart from his shipping interests Mr. Economou has invested also in Real Estate. Mr. Economou is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and holds both a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and a Master of Science in Shipping and Shipbuilding Management.



Steve Farrell
Partner
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Steve Farrell is a partner in Morgan Lewis's Business and Finance Practice and a leader of the Securities Industry Practice. His practice focuses on a variety of domestic and international business transactions, including public and private offerings and other financing transactions, as well as mergers and acquisitions involving public companies and going private transactions.

As part of his practice, Mr. Farrell has advised many U.S. and foreign issuers and underwriters in offerings of debt and equity securities and stock exchange listings both in the United States and overseas. He is a frequent lecturer on securities law and practice and corporate governance, including the obligations of directors, officers and companies under the Sarbanes Oxley Act of 2002 and the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.



Evan D. Flaschen
Partner
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Evan Flaschen is the chair of Bracewell & Giuliani's Financial Restructuring Group. He represents debtors, investors, funds and other major participants in out-of-court restructurings and in-court proceedings, both domestically and internationally. Various international surveys have described Evan

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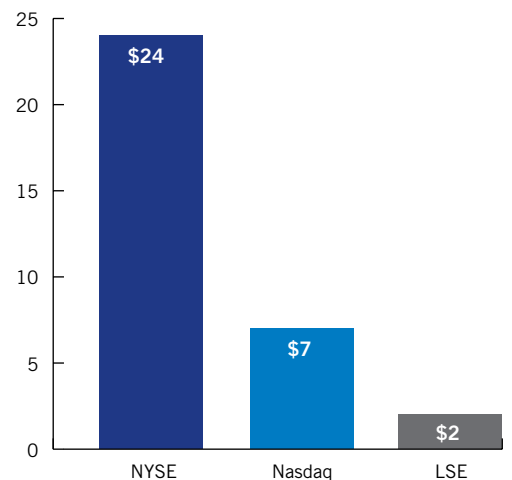
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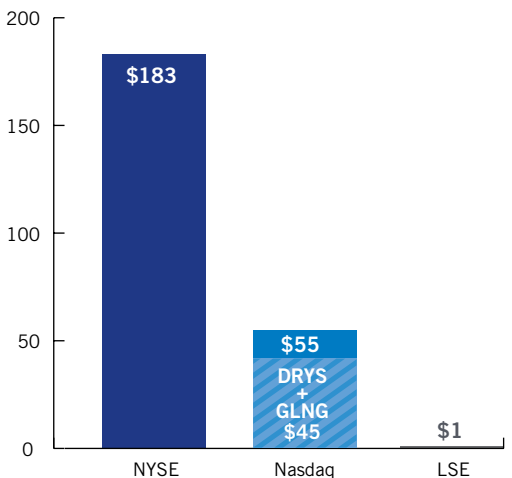
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Source: Bloomberg

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July, 2011 - December, 2011

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Company Name	Ticker	Market Capitalization (\$ Million)
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Tidewater Inc.	TDW	2,559
Teekay LNG Partners L.P.	TGP	2,396
Teekay Corp.	TK	1,920
Alexander & Baldwin Inc.	ALEX	1,702
Teekay Offshore Partners L. P.	TOO	1,670
Gulfmark Offshore Inc.	GLF	1,115
Seaspan Corp.	SSW	938
Costamare Inc.	CMRE	854
Navios Shipping Partners L.P.	NMM	743
Ship Finance International Ltd.	SFL	739
Diana Shipping Inc.	DSX	618
Nordic American Tankers Ltd.	NAT	566
Safe Bulkers Inc.	SB	425
Danaos Corp.	DAC	364
Navios Shipping Holdings Inc.	NM	363
Frontline Ltd.	FRO	334
Overseas Shipholding Group Inc.	OSG	333
SeaCube Container Leasing Ltd.	BOX	299
CAI International Inc.	CAP	298
Genco Shipping & Trading Ltd.	GNK	243
Tsakos Energy Navigation Ltd.	TNP	220
Teekay Tankers Ltd.	TNK	213
Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc.	ANW	194
Scorpio Tankers Inc.	STNG	191
International Shipholding Corp.	ISH	135
Box Ships Inc.	TEU	135
Navios Shipping Acquisition Corp.	NNA	130
Excel Shipping Carriers Ltd.	EXM	123
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Navios Maritime Holdings Inc. (NYSE: NM),
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as “one of the globe’s leading practitioners,” “feared and revered,” “articulate, focused, commercial, affable and highly respected,” and “seasoned and superbly commercial.” A nationwide survey of industry participants recently honored Evan as one of the ten “Most Admired Bankruptcy Attorneys in the United States.”

Evan’s current maritime shipping engagements include serving as lead debtor counsel for Omega Navigation Enterprises, which “scored a landmark victory [that set] an extraordinary precedent for other foreign shipping companies” (Lloyd’s List Dec. 20, 2011), and serving as co-lead debtor counsel with his partner, Bob Burns, for Marco Polo Seatrade, whose victory in Bankruptcy Court enabled it to “win US Chapter 11 bragging rights” (Lloyd’s List Nov. 20, 2011). Evan is also consulting with lender groups or borrowers in other confidential maritime shipping situations.

Magnus Fyhr **CEO and Managing Director** **Clarkson Capital Markets**

Mr. Fyhr is CEO and Managing Director of Clarkson Capital Markets. An boutique investment banking He is a seasoned industry professional with nearly 20 years experience in energy and maritime industries, including equity fund management and research.

He most recently worked at Aquanaut Capital Management LP, an investment management firm he founded in 2006. Previously, he worked at Jefferies & Co., Inc. as a Research Analyst where he played a key role in developing the firms’ maritime research franchise. He was ranked #1 Analyst by Wall Street Journal for two consecutive years (2004-2005). He also worked as a research analyst at EVEREN Securities and Lehman Brothers where he covered the oil service and offshore drilling industries.



Stuart H. Gelfond
Partner
Fried Frank

Stuart H. Gelfond is a corporate partner resident in Fried Frank’s New York office. He joined the Firm in 1986 and became a partner in 1993.

Mr. Gelfond concentrates his practice in corporate finance transactions, including representation of issuers and underwriters, in domestic and international high-yield, investment-grade and convertible debt offerings, acquisition financings, initial public offerings and follow-on equity offerings. He has also been actively involved in corporate restructurings, including acting as lead counsel to ACA Capital Holdings, Sonic Automotive and NewLead Holdings in their corporate reorganizations.

He also regularly represents clients in private equity and acquisition transactions. Mr. Gelfond has experience serving as counsel to corporations and broker-dealers on securities, corporate governance and other regulatory issues.

Mr. Gelfond is consistently recognized by Chambers Global: The World’s Leading Lawyers for Business and by Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business as a leading individual in Capital Markets: Debt & Equity (National). He is also consistently recognized by Legal 500 in Finance: Capital Markets: Equity Offerings - Advice to Managers and Finance: Capital Markets: High-Yield Debt Offerings - Advice to Managers.



Fotis Giannakoulis
Vice President, Shipping
Morgan Stanley

Fotis Giannakoulis, a Vice President, joined Morgan Stanley in 2010. He covers the global shipping industry. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, Fotis was a banker at Fortis Bank (currently ABN AMRO) and Poten Capital Services putting together a number of debt and equity financings and working on several advisory mandates. In 2009, he advised Eton Park exploring opportunities in the shipping sector and originated a joint venture with Euroseas and another private equity firm.

Other indicative transactions include the private equity investment of Fortis in Diana (DSX) and the subsequent IPO, the spin-off of \$1bn worth of assets for CMA CGM and the formation of Global Ship Lease (GSL), the acquisition of Metrobulk from Quintana and a number of offerings, debt and mezzanine transactions. Fotis holds a Bachelors degree in Economics from University of Piraeus and he earned his MBA with honors from Loyola University Chicago, where he was the Walter F. Mullady scholar.



Wiley Griffiths
Executive Director, Global Transportation
Morgan Stanley

Wiley Griffiths in an Executive Director in Morgan Stanley’s Global Transportation Group. Based out of Morgan Stanley’s New York office, Wiley advises clients throughout the aircraft and equipment leasing, shipping and aerospace industries. Prior to joining Morgan Stanley, Wiley spent eight years at Ernst & Young as an Audit Principal, specializing in transportation

In his 10 years at Morgan Stanley, Wiley has completed numerous strategic advisory and financing transactions including strategic work in air and rail leasing sectors for Aercap, Babcock & Brown, ILFC, GE, and Mitsui. In addition he led the Sovcomflot- Novoship merger, hostile defense and ultimate sale of Stelmar; the sale of CP Ships; the joint acquisition of Marpetrol by Sovcomflot and Novoship; IPOs of Teekay Shipping, Teekay LNG Partners, Genco, AerCap, Babcock & Brown Air, Paragon and Quintana; and follow-on equity offerings for Aercap, CP Ships, Teekay LNG, Nordic American Tankers, Genco and OSG

Wiley received his MBA with Honors from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, and holds a Bachelor of Commerce with Honors from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver

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Magnus Halvorsen
Head of Capital Markets
RS Platou Markets AS

- RS Platou Markets since 2009.
- Former partner and Head of US Sales Pareto Securities 2003-2009.
- He also served as chairman of Nordic Partners Inc. in New York.



Erik Helberg
Chief Executive Officer
RS Platou Markets AS

Erik Helberg took on the helm as CEO at RS Platou Markets in November 2009 after joining in October the same year. The RS Platou Markets Group is headquartered in Oslo, with offices in New York and Singapore. As the investment banking arm of RS Platou, they are very dedicated and active within the Shipping and Offshore sectors. Transactions include IPO's and Private Placements in Europe, Asia and the US.

Prior to joining RS Platou Markets, he was Partner & Head of Shipping Research at Pareto Securities. He has received numerous awards from top analyst ranking agencies such as StarMine & Prospera, and holds amongst other awards, 3 number 1 rankings as best stock picker in Europe/Norway.

Erik Helberg holds a Master of Science degree in shipping, trade and finance from City University Business School, London and Candidatus Magisterii in law from University of Oslo.



Sofia Kalomenides
Partner – Assurance Services
Ernst & Young

- Sofia is a Partner within Ernst & Young Assurance organization and the Capital Markets Leader for Central and Southeast Europe. She has over 27 years of experience in audit services.
 - Sofia joined Ernst & Young in 1990 and is based in the Athens office. Prior to moving to Greece, Sofia had worked for over five years with one of the big auditing firms in New York.
 - She is a member of the Institute of Certified Auditors-Accountants in Greece and a US CPA.
 - She has great experience in auditing Greek and US Listed Companies, including conversions to IFRS and US GAAP, leading and advising on initial public offering transactions in Greece and the US and also in Capital Markets Offering Reviews for cross border transactions, including Euro bond and equity offerings.
- Professional Experience
- Dryships Inc., OceanRig, Fourlis Group, Titan Cement Co.

Pavlos Kanellopoulos
Chief Financial Officer
Excel Maritime

Pavlos Kanellopoulos was appointed Chief Financial Officer in April 2010. Mr. Kanellopoulos has 15 years of experience in banking and finance positions, mostly at a senior level. He started his career in the International Banking Division of the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi in London.

Since 2003, Mr. Kanellopoulos held CFO positions with companies in the manufacturing and TMT sectors, most recently as Group CFO at Forthnet SA, the largest alternative telecom and pay-TV operator in Greece. Mr. Kanellopoulos has studied at the Athens University of Economics, the University of Warwick and the London School of Economics and holds a BSc and MSc (Econ).



Kevin M. Kennedy
Director
The Synergy Group

In 2007, Kevin Kennedy joined The Synergy Group, managers of a fleet of 16 container vessels owned by a group of leading institutional investors. His is responsible for financing the Group's vessel acquisition program and executing its capital markets strategy.

Prior to joining Synergy, Mr. Kennedy served as Chief Financial Officer of Seaspan Corporation, another container shipping company. In August of 2005, Mr. Kennedy assisted Seaspan through its \$600 million initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange, the largest shipping IPO in US history. Seaspan completed two follow-on equity offerings during Mr. Kennedy's tenure, raising over \$300 million in gross proceeds as the company's fleet grew from 23 to 55 vessels.

Prior to joining Seaspan, Mr. Kennedy held a number of positions at GE Capital including Managing Director and head of the marine financing group. He left GE Capital to found Great Circle Capital, a private equity group focused on the maritime sector. Great Circle was awarded the mandate to manage a \$180 million US Overseas Private Investment Corporation sponsored private equity fund.

Mr. Kennedy began his banking career as a relationship manager in the Marine Transport Department of the Irving Trust Company handling business development, credit analysis, and portfolio management for global shipping clients.

Early in his career, Mr. Kennedy spent three years with Santa Fe Drilling as a marine stability technician aboard semi-submersible drilling rigs.

Mr. Kennedy received his BS degree in nautical science from the United States Merchant Marine Academy and his MBA, with a concentration in finance, from the Columbia University Graduate School of Business.

Mr. Kennedy also served on the board of Seaboard Corporation.

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Nick Kounis
Head of Macro Research, Group Economics
ABN AMRO

Nick is responsible for the bank's analysis of the global economic outlook and the implications for interest rates and exchange rates. The group's analysis is used by a wide range of clients, including a broad spectrum of investors and corporates, as well as the risk and asset and liability management within the bank.

Nick has published on a wide range of areas, including the impact of commodity prices on the global economy, the eurozone sovereign debt crisis, global economic and financial imbalances and monetary policy.

He frequently gives presentations for participants in the financial markets as well as in industry and appears regularly in the financial media, including the Financial Times, Bloomberg and Reuters. Nick was previously Chief European Economist in the Merchant Banking business of Fortis, providing research for institutional investors and large corporates on the European economy and the ECB's monetary policy.

Before becoming a bank economist, he worked at HM Treasury in London (the UK ministry of finance), advising ministers on the international economy, including sovereign debt problems and IMF programmes. He also advised on macroeconomic policy and the fiscal framework. Nick holds degrees in economics and finance, most recently from Durham University in the UK.

Paul Leand
CEO
AMA Capital Partners LLC

Paul joined the Company in 1998 and became CEO at the beginning of 2004. After joining AMA, he led the development of AMA's restructuring practice, helping AMA earn its position as the pre-eminent maritime restructuring advisor for both creditors and companies alike. He has been involved in the restructuring of numerous high yield issues including Golden Ocean, ACL, Global Ocean, Pegasus and Enterprises, giving AMA over 70% market share in maritime restructuring assignments from 2000-2004. Paul recently led AMA's efforts in the restructurings of PetroMENA ASA, PetroProd Ltd and Petrojack ASA.

Paul has also been involved in M&A roles with SFL (buy side), TECO Transport (buy side) and also spearheaded the firm's private equity investments in Chembulk and PLM. Paul also has extensive experience in structuring leasing and debt facilities. Prior to joining AMA, he worked at The First National Bank of Maryland. Over a nine year period, Paul managed the bank's Railroad Division and, later, it's International Maritime Division. Paul holds a BS/BA from Boston University's School of Management and is a Director of Ship Finance International Ltd. (NYSE), Golar LNG Partners LP (Nasdaq), privately held Helm International and is currently serving as interim CEO of container lessor – Seaco.



Simen Lieungh
President & CEO
Odfjell Drilling, Oslo

Simen Lieungh joined Odfjell Drilling as President and CEO in 2010. Lieungh has extensive experience from Aker Solutions where he joined in 1988 and was President & CEO since March 2008 until June 2010. He has more than 20 years' experience with large field development projects, covering all phases from conceptual studies to completion and delivery of complete installations. Prior to this, Mr. Lieungh was a research scientist with the Norwegian Defense Research Establishment. Mr. Lieungh is a graduate of the Norwegian University of Science and Technology.



Douglas Mavrinac
Managing Director
Group Head of the Maritime Equity
Research Group
Jefferies & Company, Inc.

Douglas Mavrinac is a Managing Director and Group Head of the Maritime Equity Research Group at Jefferies. Mr. Mavrinac currently focuses on shipping companies that transport crude oil and refined petroleum products, dry bulk commodities, and containers. He has been recognized twice in the Wall Street Journal's Best on the Street survey for the industrial transportation sector and was named the Top Stock Picker in the marine sector by the Financial Times in 2008.

Prior to joining Jefferies in 2003, Mr. Mavrinac worked 9 years in the energy industry working 8 years as a Financial Analyst with the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies. Mr. Mavrinac received an MBA from Tulane University.



Ziad Nakhleh
Chief Financial Officer
DryShips

Ziad Nakhleh was appointed as DryShips Chief Financial Officer in November 2009. Mr. Nakhleh has over 12 years of finance experience. From January, 2005 to September, 2008, he served as Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer of Aegean Marine Petroleum Network Inc. ("Aegean"), a publicly traded marine fuels logistics company listed on the New York Stock Exchange. From September 2008 to October 2009, Mr. Nakhleh was engaged in a consulting capacity to various companies in the shipping and marine fuels industries.

Prior to his time with Aegean, Mr. Nakhleh was employed at Ernst & Young and Arthur Andersen in Athens. Mr. Nakhleh is a graduate of the University of Richmond in Virginia and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.



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Ben Nolan
Director and Head of Shipping Research
Knight Capital

Ben Nolan joined Knight Capital in April 2011 and serves as director and head of shipping research covering tanker, dry bulk, container, and specialty shipping companies with a focus on both equity and debt capital. Mr. Nolan previously spent six years working at Jefferies & Company in Houston, TX most recently in the roll of Vice President following equity within the shipping sector. Prior to Jefferies, Mr. Nolan worked as corporate financial analyst for EOG Resources developing a background in the oil and gas business. Mr. Nolan graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance in 2000 and received his Master of Business Administration from the Bauer College of Business at the University of Houston in 2003. Mr. Nolan is also a CFA charter holder.



Hamish Norton
Managing Director
Jefferies & Company

Hamish Norton is a Managing Director at Jefferies & Company, Inc. and is Global Head of the Maritime Group. He is known for creating Nordic American Tanker Shipping and Knightsbridge Tankers, the first two high dividend yield shipping companies. He recently advised Arlington Tankers in the merger with General Maritime and has been an advisor to U.S. Shipping Partners. He also recently advised New Mountain Capital on its investment in Intermarine. In the 1990s, he advised Frontline on the acquisition of London and Overseas Freighters and arranged the sale of Pacific Basin Bulk Shipping. Prior to joining Jefferies in 2007, Mr. Norton ran the shipping practice at Bear Stearns since 2000. From 1984-1999 he worked at Lazard Frères & Co., from 1995 onward as general partner and head of shipping. Mr. Norton received an AB in Physics from Harvard and a Ph. D. in Physics from University of Chicago.

Michael S. Pak
Senior Vice President and Equity Research Analyst
Clarkson Capital Markets

Mr. Michael S. Pak is a Senior Vice President and Equity Research Analyst, covering global shipping at Clarkson Capital Markets (CCM). He joined CCM in 2010 and launched coverage of U.S. listed shipping companies in 2011.

Previously, during 2008-2009, Pak was a Vice President and Senior Analyst in the Equity Research Department at Banc of America Securities LLC (BAS), where he covered Shipping, Transportation & Logistics within the Diversified Industries group. In 2005-2008, Pak served as a team analyst for BAS's Packaging and Paper/Forest research team, which ranked number-one on Institutional Investor's "All-America Research Team". Prior to joining BAS, he was a team analyst for the number-one Institutional Investor-ranked Packaging research group at Citigroup Investment Research, during 2000-2005.

Pak, a Chartered Financial Analyst, is a member of the CFA

Institute and the New York Society of Security Analysts. He earned a bachelor of science degree in economics from New York University's Stern School of Business and a master of business administration degree from Cornell University's Johnson School of Management.

Ismini Panayotides
Business Development Officer
Excel Maritime Carriers Ltd.

Ms. Panayotides has been Business Development Officer at Excel Maritime Carriers Ltd. since March 2006 and Secretary of the Board of Directors since September 2008. She completed her studies in 2005, and has been working intermittently with her undergraduate and graduate studies in the chartering and operations departments of Excel Maritime Carriers Ltd. as well as in the management of Maryville Maritime Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Excel, since 1999.

Ms. Panayotides holds an undergraduate (BA) degree from the School of Management, Boston University (2004), and a Master of Science (MSc) in Shipping Trade and Finance from City University, Cass Business School, in London (2005).



Ted C. Petrone
President
Navios Maritime Acquisition

Ted C. Petrone has been Navios Maritime Acquisition's President and a member of the Board of Directors since March 2008. He has also been a director of Navios Holdings since May 2007, having become President of Navios Corporation (Navios Holdings' predecessor entity) in September 2006. He heads Navios Holdings' worldwide commercial operations. Mr. Petrone has served in the maritime industry for 33 years, 30 of which he has spent with Navios Holdings. After joining Navios Holdings as an assistant vessel operator, Mr. Petrone worked there in various operational and commercial positions.

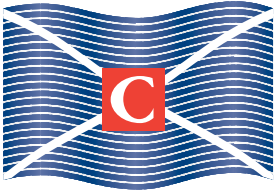
For the last 15 years, Mr. Petrone has been responsible for all the aspects of the daily commercial activity, encompassing the trading of tonnage, derivative hedge positions and cargoes. Mr. Petrone graduated from New York Maritime College at Fort Schuyler with a B.S. in Maritime Transportation. He has also served aboard U.S. Navy (Military Sealift Command) tankers.



Aristides J. Pittas
President and Chief Executive Officer
Euroseas Ltd.

Aristides J. Pittas has been Chairman and CEO and a member of the board of directors of Euroseas Ltd. since the Company's inception on May 5, 2005. Since 1997, Mr. Pittas has also been the President of Eurochart S.A., an affiliate of Euroseas Ltd.

Eurochart is a shipbroking company specializing in chartering and selling and purchasing ships. Since 1997, Mr. Pittas has also



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been the President of Eurotrade, a ship operating company and an affiliate of Euroseas Ltd. Since January 1995, Mr. Pittas has been the President and Managing Director of Eurobulk Ltd., an affiliate. He resigned as Managing Director in June 2005. Eurobulk is a ship management company that provides ocean transportation services. From September 1991 to December 1994, Mr. Pittas was the Vice President of Oceanbulk Maritime SA, a ship management company. From March 1990 to August 1991, Mr. Pittas served both as the Assistant to the General Manager and the Head of the Planning Department of Varnima International SA, a shipping company operating tanker vessels.

From June 1987 until February 1990, Mr. Pittas was the head of the Central Planning department of Eleusis Shipyards S.A. From January 1987 to June 1987, Mr. Pittas served as Assistant to the General Manager of Chios Navigation Shipping Company in London, a company that provides ship management services. From December 1985 to January 1987, Mr. Pittas worked in the design department of Eleusis Shipyards S.A. where he focused on shipbuilding and ship repair. Mr. Pittas has a B.Sc. in Marine Engineering from University of Newcastle Upon-Tyne and an MSc in both Ocean Systems Management and Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Dale Ploughman
Chief Executive Officer
Seanergy Maritime Holdings Corp.

Dale Ploughman has served as a member of our board of directors and our Chief Executive Officer since May 20, 2008 and as the Chairman of our board of directors since July 21, 2010. He has over 46 years of shipping industry experience. From 1999 to 2011 Mr. Ploughman was the Chairman of the Bahamas Ship Owners Association, and from 2000 to 2005 he was the chairman of South African Marine Corporation (Pty) Ltd., a dry bulk shipping company based in South Africa. In addition, from 2005 to 2010, Mr. Ploughman served as president, chief executive officer and director of Golden Energy Marine Corp.

Mr. Ploughman also serves as president and chief executive officer of numerous private shipping companies controlled by members of the Restis family. From 1989 to 1999, Mr. Ploughman was the president of Great White Fleet, a fleet owned by Chiquita Brands International Inc., which was one of the largest shipping carriers to and from Central America. Mr. Ploughman has previously worked as president and chief executive officer of Lauritzen Reefers A.S., a shipping company based in Denmark, the managing director of Dammers and Vander Hiede Shipping and Trading Inc., a shipping company based in the Netherlands and as the chairman of Mackay Shipping, a shipping company based in New Zealand. He holds degrees in Business Administration and Personnel Management and Master's level Sea Certificates and was educated at the Thames Nautical Training College, HMS Worcester.



Jeffrey Pribor
Chief Financial Officer
General Maritime Corporation

Jeffrey D. Pribor joined General Maritime

Corporation as our Chief Financial Officer in September 2004. Mr. Pribor has over 20 years of banking, capital markets, shipping and legal experience. Mr. Pribor most recently served as Managing Director and President of DnB Nor Markets Inc., the US investment banking division of DnB Nor ASA., where he was responsible for mergers and acquisitions, strategic advisory services and US capital market activities for the bank's shipping, offshore, logistics and energy clients.

Prior to this, Mr. Pribor was Managing Director and Group Head of Transportation Banking at ABN AMRO Inc. where he was responsible for all commercial and investment banking activities for shipping and other transportation companies in North America. Prior to that, Mr. Pribor was Managing Director and Sector Head of Transportation and Logistics Investment Banking for ING Barings. He also worked for over 10 years in the Mergers and Acquisitions group at Merrill Lynch and as an Associate attorney in the corporate and banking law practice of Milbank, Tweed, Hadley and McCloy. Mr. Pribor earned his BA in Economics and Political Science from Yale University. He also earned his JD and MBA from Columbia University. Mr. Pribor is also a Director of Global Ship Lease Incorporated.



Sandy Reddin
Managing Director
Knight

Mr. Reddin is the Managing Director responsible for Maritime Shipping Capital Markets at Knight. He has previously led the corporate service and private placement businesses at Knight since 2002.

Prior to Knight he was a Managing Director at First Manhattan Consulting Group where he led client acquisition and capital raising for the early stage business advisory group. Prior to FMCG he was a Managing Director at ABN AMRO and its predecessor companies ING Barings and Furman Selz where he developed the middle markets equity sales team and corporate services business unit. Sandy is a former U.S. Army SOF medic and received his Bachelor Degree from the University of Connecticut.



Daniel Rodgers
Partner, Intl Shipping Finance Group
New York
Watson, Farley & Williams

Specialization
Ship Finance and Capital Markets

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Dan's practice involves a broad range of finance work, ranging from bank and structured financings, including syndicated loan and letter of credit facilities and restructurings, to US capital markets transactions. He advises financial institutions, participants in lease financings, and issuers of debt and public and private equity. In particular, Dan focuses on transactions involving shipping. He is admitted to practice in New York, the District of Columbia and Louisiana. Prior to joining WFW in 1997, Dan was an attorney with Phelps Dunbar LLP in New Orleans, Louisiana, from 1991 to 1997.



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Michael A. Rosenthal
Partner, New York office
Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP

Michael A. Rosenthal is a partner in the New York office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher and co-chair of the firm's Business Restructuring and Reorganization Practice Group. Mr. Rosenthal has extensive experience in reorganizing distressed businesses and related corporate reorganization and debt restructuring matters. With a long history in the representation of chapter 11 debtors, acquirors of distressed assets and investors in distressed businesses, he has represented distressed debtors, private equity and hedge funds and companies involved in a variety of business sectors, including shipping, energy, retail, manufacturing, real estate, engineering, construction, medical, airlines, media, telecommunications and banking.

Over the years, his debtor clients have included, among others, TBS International, Almatris, B.V., Building Materials Holding Corporation, Prentiss Copley Investment Group, FINOVA, Solutia, Inc., FLAG Telecom, Atlantic Coast Airlines, First RepublicBank Corporation, Resorts International, Financial News Network (now known as CNBC), nationally known homebuilders and National Gypsum Company (now known as Asbestos Claims Management Corporation) and his non-debtor clients have included, among others, Investcorp, Intel, Textron Financial, Catterton Partners, Oldcastle, Q Investments, Tenet Healthcare, Cooper Industries and The Shaw Group Inc.



George V. Saroglou
Chief Operating Officer
Tsakos Energy Navigation, Ltd.

Mr. Saroglou has been Chief Operating Officer of the Tsakos Energy Navigation Limited since 1996. Mr. Saroglou is a shareholder of Pansystems S.A., a leading Greek information technology systems integrator, where he also worked from 1987 until 1994. From 1995 to 1996 he was employed in the Trading Department of the Tsakos Group.

He graduated from McGill University in Canada in 1987 with a Bachelors Degree in Science (Mathematics).



Anil Sharma
Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer
GMS

Dr. Anil Sharma is the Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer of GMS (declared amongst the "Lloyd's List One Hundred 2010 most influential people in the shipping industry").

Originally from Bhavnagar (site of world's largest number of ship recycling yards in Alang) India, he earned his Master's (MBA) and Doctorate (DBA) degrees in Business Administration from universities in USA. Subsequently, Dr. Sharma worked in academia for 10 years moving rapidly through promotions from visiting

lecturer to Chairman of the Business Department at Frostburg State University in Maryland (USA).

In 1992, Dr. Sharma launched GMS, primarily to buy old US and Russian Naval vessels for recycling. In May 1996, Dr. Sharma resigned from his fully tenured faculty position to devote full attention to the ever-expanding global activities of GMS. Business grew rapidly due to GMS's strong performance, clean dealings, competitive prices and professionalism. For the last several years, GMS has been the world's largest Cash Buyer of ships for recycling. In 2010, the company delivered in excess of 1.8 mill Mt LDT of tonnage and has delivered about 15 Million DWT in last 2 years. Some of the world's largest ship owners sell their ships exclusively to GMS.

Through Dr.Sharma efforts, GMS has contributed extensively to agendas that create a safer and responsible ship recycling processes. Dr. Sharma was invited as a delegate to the IMO's workshop on the proposed convention to Ship Recycling. He has written and spoken extensively on the topic of Ship Recycling at seminars and conferences worldwide. We are the world's FIRST ISO 9001:2000 certified Cash Buyer. We are also the FIRST Cash Buyer to develop and promote a Green Ship Recycling Program.

GMS has exclusive representatives in all of the major ship recycling markets in the world. The company has expanded its operations with the opening of an office in Dubai, UAE in 2009 and in Shanghai, China in 2010.



Peter Sorkin
Managing Director
Knight Capital Group

Peter Sorkin is responsible for developing trading opportunities among the firm's customers in relation to shipping assets. Peter's background in transportation leasing and asset finance facilitates the origination and structuring of trades. His focus involves private financing transactions that complement Knight's core capabilities in fixed income and capital markets activity.

Among the areas in which he focuses are sale-leaseback financings, mezzanine debt placements, asset recapitalizations, and restructuring. Peter's activity in shipping is dedicated to developing the network of Knight's institutional clients who are a natural base of investors with capital available to support the maritime industry.

Prior to joining Knight in 2009, Peter was a member of Bank of America where he was involved in the leasing business and securities trading desk. His work in this capacity included structured securities, private financings, as well as trading of physical assets, in particular the purchase and sale of equipment on lease to operators.

Peter received a bachelor of arts in economics from Washington University and a master of business administration in finance from the Kellogg School of Management at Northwestern University. He has also passed the Certified Public Accountant exam and currently holds Series 7, 63, 86, and 87 licenses.



The Marshall Islands Registry



Steven Strom
Managing Director
Jefferies & Company, Inc.

Steven Strom joined Jefferies & Company, Inc. in 2006 and is a Managing Director and Global Head of the firm's Restructuring and Recapitalization Group in New York.

His transaction experience includes advising companies, creditors, shareholders and buyers of assets in financial distress and Chapter 11 situations. He has also testified as an expert in numerous Chapter 11 cases on valuation, asset sales, feasibility, projections and other plan issues.

Mr. Strom's company-side experience includes advising Borders Group, Global Aviation, Apex, Pliant, Omega Navigation and Greate Bay Hotel and Casino. He advised creditor groups in a number of restructuring transactions including Danaos, Gateway Casinos, WCI Steel, Hollywood Casino Shreveport, Quebecor, Werner Holdings and Marvel Entertainment.

Prior Professional Experience:

- CIBC World Markets, Managing Director in the Restructuring Group at CIBC World Markets
- Chanin Capital Partners, Managing Director and co-head of the New York office
- Commodities Corporation, Research Analyst / Trader
- Chemical Bank, Vice President

Education:

- MBA at the University of Michigan
- Bachelor of Science degree in Finance at Arizona State University
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Michael Webber
Senior Equity Analyst
Wells Fargo Securities

Michael Webber rejoined Wells Fargo Securities in 2010 as a vice president and Senior Equity Analyst covering the Ocean Shipping Sector. Prior to joining the company, Mike was a senior member of Deutsche Bank Securities' transportation equity research team, with lead responsibility for the ocean shipping and equipment leasing sector.

Prior to Deutsche Bank, Mike was a senior associate on Wells Fargo's transportation research team from 2006 to 2009. Mike began his career in financial services as a product analyst with Legg Mason. Mike is a graduate of the University of Virginia and holds the CFA designation.



Emil Yiannopoulos
Partner, Territory Assurance Leader
PwC Greece

Emil Yiannopoulos, Chartered Accountant (ICAEW), in 1994 established and, until 30 June 2009, led the Corporate Finance and Transactions Advisory team in Greece. He is the Financial Services Industry Leader of the Greek firm and a member of the firm's Executive Committee. Recently he assumed the Greek Territory Assurance Leadership role and has been giving special attention to the firm's large shipping client base, both private and US listed.

Emil joined PwC in 1981 in London as an auditor, where he had a wide range of experience, including in the banking and insurance sectors. In 1987, he joined the firm's Corporate Finance team in London where he worked on a variety of domestic and international investigative and advisory assignments, primarily acquisitions, disposals and valuation related projects.

Emil has worked, since being in Greece, on numerous investment transactions, including in the surrounding region, on behalf of both domestic and international investors with particular focus on the shipping, banking and investment industries and on Private Equity transactions.



Alfred Yudes
Partner
Watson, Farley & Williams LLP

Alfred Yudes joined Watson, Farley & Williams LLP in 1990 and is the current Head of the New York office. He specialises in maritime, commercial, insurance and bankruptcy litigation and arbitration work. His experience includes charterparty disputes, shipbuilding and conversion contracts, vessel sales, container manufacture, purchase and leasing, vessel casualties, foreclosures and enforcement of security instruments, trading and sales, securities and derivatives, insolvencies and workouts.

Mr. Yudes' most recent experiences include: (i) acting for secured Lenders before and in the Eastwind Maritime Chapter 7; (ii) acting for secured Lenders before and in the TBS Chapter 11 filing; and (iii) acting as special maritime counsel to the Trustee in a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Proceeding in Delaware.

Mr. Yudes was a Former Chair of the International Law Section of the New York State Bar Association (1995-1996), and a delegate to the New York State Bar Association House of Delegates (1996-1997). He is a Member of the Maritime Law Association of the United States; and was named one of the Best Lawyers in America and in New York Superlawyers.

Mr. Yudes is a graduate of McGeorge School of Law, University of the Pacific (J.D. with great distinction) and the U.S. Naval Academy (B.Sc. Naval Science), and is a member of the New York and Pennsylvania Bars.





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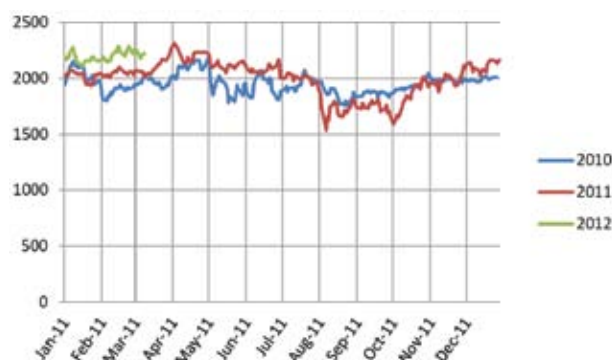
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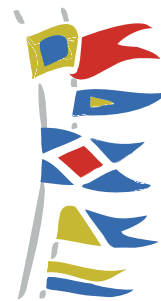


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Maria Filopoulou

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