



**World Maritime Merchants Forum -  
Capital Link Hong Kong Forum**

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8:00 – 8:55 AM	<b>REGISTRATION &amp; COFFEE</b>
<b>WELCOME REMARKS</b>	
8:55 – 9:00 AM	<b>Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President – Capital Link, Inc.</b>
<b>KEYNOTE SPEECH INSIGHTS INTO THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY FROM A FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVE</b>	
9:00 - 9:10 AM	<b>Mr. Wang Yongxin, President – China Merchants Energy Shipping Limited</b>
<b>OPENING REMARKS</b>	
9:10 - 9:15 AM	<b>Mr. Liu Chun-san, JP, Under Secretary for Transport and Logistics – Transport and Logistics Bureau of the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</b>
<b>OPENING KEYNOTE REMARKS</b>	
9:15 - 9:25 AM	<b>Mr. Remi Eriksen, Group President and CEO – DNV</b>
<b>LEADING THROUGH INDUSTRY TRANSFORMATION</b>	
<b>Moderator: Mr. Mike Salthouse, Head of External Affairs – NorthStandard</b>	
9:30 - 10:10 AM	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Emanuele Grimaldi, Chairman – International Chamber of Shipping (ICS); President &amp; MD; Managing Director – Grimaldi Euromed SpA; Grimaldi Group</b></li> <li>• <b>Dr. Martin Kröger, CEO – German Shipowners’ Association (VDR)</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr. Bud Darr, EVP, Maritime Policy and Government Affairs – MSC Group</b></li> </ul>
<b>ENERGY TRANSITION, ASSET PRESERVATION, &amp; FLEET RENEWAL</b>	
<b>Moderator: Mr. Sau Weng Tang, President for Greater China – Lloyd’s Register</b>	
10:15 - 10:45 AM	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr. Tim Ponath, CEO – NSB Group</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr. Martin Fruergaard, CEO – Pacific Basin</b></li> <li>• <b>Capt. Jianfeng Zhou, Managing Director – Wah Kwong Maritime Transport Holdings Ltd.</b></li> </ul>
<b>THE EVOLVING LANDSCAPE OF SHIP FINANCE</b>	
<b>Moderator: Mr. David Beaves, Consultant – Hill Dickinson</b>	
10:50 - 11:20 AM	<b>Panelists:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Ms. He Fang, Deputy General Manager – CSSC Hong Kong Shipping Co. Ltd.</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr. TC Wong, CFA, SVP, Corporate Banking, APAC – DNB Bank ASA</b></li> <li>• <b>Mr. Martin Hugger, Managing Director – Meerbaum Capital Solutions Inc.</b></li> </ul>



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**THE NEW ENERGY LANDSCAPE PRESENTATION**

**11:25 – 11:35 AM**

**Presented by: Mr. Shen Tao**, Director, Global Sustainability - Eastern Hemisphere – **ABS**

**INVESTING IN SHIPPING - JVs, M&A AND INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATION**

**Moderator: Mr. Christoforos Bisbikos**, Head of the Asia Assets and Structured Finance Group – **Watson Farley & Williams**

**11:40 - 12:10 PM**

**Panelists:**

- **Mr. Steven Xiao**, Managing Partner – **Equator Fund**
- **Mr. Pankaj Khanna**, CEO – **Heidmar Inc.**
- **Mr. Kenneth Lam**, Founder & CEO – **SeaKapital Limited**

**THE SHIPOWNER'S PERSPECTIVE**

**Moderator: Mr. Martin Tony Chen**, Business Development Director, Hong Kong and Taiwan – **DNV Maritime**

**12:15 - 1:00 PM**

**Panelists:**

- **Dr. Anil Sharma**, Founder and CEO – **GMS**
- **Mr. Gautam S. Chellaram**, Chairman – **KC Maritime**
- **Ms. Charis Plakantonaki**, Chief Strategy Officer – **Star Bulk Carriers Corp. (NASDAQ: SBLK)**
- **Mr. Hing Chao**, Executive Chairman – **Wah Kwong Maritime Transport Holdings**

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