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Capital Link is hosting the **18th Annual Capital Link Shipping & Marine Services Forum** on **Tuesday, September 15, 2026**, at 116 Pall Mall, in **London.**

This Forum, organized on an annual basis, offers investors a comprehensive review and up-to-date outlook on the various shipping markets, while also covering key topics of critical interest to industry participants, financiers, and stakeholders.

Bringing together a high caliber audience of shipping professionals, financiers & investors, the forum offers insights into the current state of the shipping and marine services industries, regulatory updates, the implications for investments, and a focused look at the opportunities and challenges ahead. The upcoming Forum is honored by the participation of the below Keynote Speakers.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

- **Minister Keir Mather MP**, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State (Minister for Aviation, Maritime and Decarbonisation) – **Department for Transport, United Kingdom**
- **Minister Marina Hadjimanolis**, Shipping Deputy Minister to the President – **Republic of Cyprus**
- **Dr. Nikolas P. Tsakos,** Founder & CEO – **TEN Ltd. (NYSE: TEN)**; Chairman – **INTERTANKO (2014-2018)**

For more information and to register: https://capitallink.com/forums/18th-annual-capital-link-shipping-marine-services-forum/?section=agenda

The following esteemed top executives of the biggest companies of the Greek, UK and international shipping communities, will participate on the panels and will discuss the following most important industry topics as described below.

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FORUM AGENDA

WELCOME REMARKS

Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President – **Capital Link, Inc.**

ENERGY SECURITY AND SHIPPING

Moderator: Mr. James Frew, Global Head of Advisory – **Lloyd's Register**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Nick Potter,** President & CEO – **AET;** Vice President, Petroleum & Products – **MISC Group**
- **Mr. Carlos Balestra di Mottola,** CEO – **d'Amico International Shipping S.A. (Borsa Italiana: DIS) (OTCQX: DMCOF)**
- **Mr. Mads Peter Zacho,** CEO – **Navigator Gas (NYSE: NVGS)**
- **Mr. Harrys Kosmatos,** CFO – **TEN Ltd. (NYSE: TEN)**

GLOBAL TRADE IN A FRACTURED WORLD: SANCTIONS, RISKS, ROUTES, & REALIGNMENT

Moderator: Ms. Elizabeth J. Kirk, Partner – **White & Case LLP**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Poul Hestbaek,** CEO – **Folk Maritime**
- **Mr. Pankaj Khanna,** CEO – **Heidmar Maritime Holdings Corp. (NASDAQ: HMR)**
- **Dr. Sadan Kaptanoglu,** CEO – **Kaptanoglu Shipping;** President – **BIMCO (2019 - 2021)**
- **Mr. René Kofod-Olsen,** Group CEO – **V. Group**

MEPC REALITY CHECK: NET ZERO MEETS MARKET REALITY

Moderator: Mr. David Barrow, SVP West Europe & The Americas – **Bureau Veritas Marine & Offshore**

Panelists:

- **Ms. Sanne Henriksen,** Head of IMO and EU, Public & Regulatory Affairs – **A.P. Moller Maersk**
- **Mr. Ricardo Batista,** Head, Climate Action and Clean Air Section – **International Maritime Organization (IMO)**
- **Mr. Kai Miller,** Trade Management – **Kuehne + Nagel**
- **Mr. Constantinos Capetanakis,** Bunker Director – **Star Bulk Carriers Corp. (NASDAQ: SBLK)**

SMART SHIPPING: AI, DIGITALIZATION & STRATEGIC CAPITAL ALLOCATION

Moderator: Mr. Dionysios Antonopoulos, VP, Regional Business Development, Northern Europe – **ABS**

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Panelists:

- **Mr. Andreas Hadjipetrou,** CEO – **Columbia Group**
- **Mr. Nils Aden,** Managing Director – **Harren Group**
- **Mr. Kyle Hurst,** SVP, Fleet Communications & Technology – **Liberian Registry**
- **Mr. Søren Andersen,** CEO – **ZeroNorth**

KEYNOTE ROUNDTABLE: GOVERNMENT & INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES: TRADE, REGULATION & MARITIME COMPETITIVENESS

Tariffs, trade policy, sanctions, supply-chain resilience, and the role of regulators in an increasingly fragmented geopolitical environment

Moderator: Ms. Dora Mace-Kokota, Partner, International Head – Maritime, Trade and Offshore and Managing Partner, Greek Office – **Stephenson Harwood**

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DRY BULK SECTOR PANEL

Moderator: Mr. Emanuele (Manu) Ravano, Co-CEO – **IFCHOR GALBRAITHS (IG)**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Karim Coumine,** Head of Commercial Shipping (Minor Bulk and Panamax) – **Anglo American**
- **Mr. Vincent Vandewalle,** Chief Trading Officer – **Navios Maritime Partners L.P. (NYSE: NMM)**
- **Mr. Khalid Hashim,** Managing Director – **Precious Shipping**
- **Mr. William Fairclough,** Managing Director – **Wah Kwong Maritime Transport**

FINANCING GLOBAL SHIPPING: OPPORTUNITIES, CHALLENGES, AND STRATEGIES

Moderator: Ms. Rajveer Sehmi, Partner – **Hill Dickinson LLP**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Philipp Wünschmann,** Head of Shipping – **Berenberg**
- **Mr. Vassilios Maroulis**, Managing Director, Global Industry Head, Shipping, Logistics & Offshore – **Citi**
- **Mr. Martin Hugger,** Managing Director – **Meerbaum Capital Solutions Inc.**
- **Mr. Harris Antoniou,** Founder & Managing Director – **Neptune Maritime Leasing Ltd.**

MULTI-SECTOR INVESTING & CORPORATE STRATEGY

Moderator: Mr. Daniel Saunders, Partner – **Watson Farley & Williams LLP**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Hugh Baker,** CFO – **ADNOC Logistics & Services (DH: ADNOCLS)**
- **Mr. John Su,** Founder, President and CEO – **Erasmus Shipinvest Group**
- **Mr. Antoine d'Anjou**, Deputy CEO – Finance – **LD Armateurs**
- **Mr. Christian Rychly,** Managing Director – **MPC Oceanic Group AG;** COO – **MPC Container Ships ASA (OSLO:MPCC)**
- **Mr. Alex Ng,** CFO – **Stolt-Nielsen Limited (OSL: SNI)**

SHIPPING IS CASH RICH - WHERE WILL CAPITAL FLOW NEXT?

Moderator: Mr. Panos Katsambas, Partner – **Reed Smith LLP**

Panelists:

- **Mr. Christian Synetos,** Managing Director – **GIP, a part of BlackRock**
- **Mr. Andrian Dacy,** CEO & CIO, Global Transportation Group – **J.P. Morgan Asset Management**
- **Mr. Alexis Atteslis,** Co-Head of Europe & Partner – **Oak Hill Advisors**
- **Mr. John Wessel,** Managing Director – **Oldendorff Overseas Investments**
- **Mr. Nicolas Tirogalas,** Group CEO – **Tufton Investment**

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