

10th International Conference of Maritime Law

“Protecting maritime operators in a changing regulatory and technological environment”

Eugenides Foundation, 26-28 May 2022

PROGRAMME*

Thursday, 26 May 2022

9.00–9.30: Registration of Participants and distribution of the conference material –
Eugenides Foundation

9.30–10.00: Opening of the Conference by the Minister of Maritime Affairs and Insular
Policy, Mr. **Ioannis PLAKIOTAKIS**

Address to the Conference Participants from the President of the Piraeus Bar
Association, Mr. **Ilias KLAPPAS**.

FIRST SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: **Leonidas DEMETRIADES-EUGENIDES**, President of Eugenides
Foundation

10.00–10.25: **Lars Robert PEDERSEN**, Deputy Secretary General - BIMCO

*Key regulatory and commercial challenges for 2022 Shipping Industry and the
appropriate solutions*

10.25–10.50: **Tomas HEIDAR**, Vice-President – International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea
(ITLOS)

*Private claims made by Flag States in respect to the operation of ships, within
the UNCLOS framework: The Jurisprudence of ITLOS*

10.50–11.15: **Lia ATHANASSIOU**, Professor – Athens Law School, Attorney-at-law, President
of the Organizing Committee

The impact of COVID-19 on ships’ operation; legal assessment

11.15–11.40: Discussion

11.40–12.10: Coffee break

* The program may be subject to minor modifications.

SECOND SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: Lorenzo SCHIANO DI PEPE, Professor – University of Genoa

12.10–12.30: George THEOCHARIDIS, Professor – Maritime University of Malmö, Attorney-at-law

The problem of fraudulent registration and its repercussions for shipping

12.30–12.50: Vincent POWER, Chairman – European Maritime Law Organization, Attorney-at-law*

How may those in the Shipping Industry Co-operate and Consolidate Lawfully under EU Competition Law? – A Practical Guide

12.50–13.10: Victoria ATHANASSOPOULOU, Assoc. Professor – Aegean University, Attorney-at-law

The applicable law to foreign shipping companies established in Greece

13.10–13.40: Discussion

THIRD SESSION (afternoon)

Chairperson: Yosef TSALAGANIDIS, President of the Supreme Court (Areios Pagos)

16.30–16.50: George LELOUDAS, Assoc. Professor – University of Swansea

Autonomous ships: Regulatory challenges and contractual revisions.

16.50–17.10: Frank STEVENS, Assoc. Professor – Erasmus School of Law

Smart contracts in shipping operations: Legal issues

17.10–17.30: Michael NOLAN, Q.C.²

Impact of technology on sea carrier's obligations.

17.30–18.15: Coffee break

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²Quadrant Chambers

FOURTH SESSION (afternoon)

Chairperson: **Angeliki FRANGO**, Chairperson & C.E.O. – *Navios Maritime Holdings S.A.*

18.15–18.40: **Frederick KENNEY**, Director of Legal and External Affairs – IMO

Transparency at IMO and in shipping: rule changes and recent developments

18.40–19.00: **Bariş SOYER**, Professor – University of Swansea, Director of the Institute of Shipping and Trade Law

“Cyber risks”: Liabilities and Insurance Law issues

19.00–19.20: **Manolis KONSTANTINIDIS**, Dr.jur., Attorney-at-law

The impact of sanctions on charterparties

19.20–20.30: Discussion

Friday, 27 May 2022

FIFTH SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: **Fokion KARAVIAS**, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) – EUROBANK SA

9.30–9.50: **Theodore SYRIOPOULOS**, Professor - Aegean University, Visiting Professor - LL.M Maritime Law, Athens Law School

Alternative Financing Instruments in shipping business: An economic approach

9.50–10.10: **Stephen GIRVIN**, Professor, National University of Singapore, Director, Centre for Maritime Law

The modern forms of shipping finance: Legal implications

10.10–10.30: **George IATRIDIS**, LL.M, Attorney-at-law

Demise charter: navigating between finance and operation.

10.30–11.00: Discussion

11.00–11.20: Coffee break

SIXTH SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: **Stefano ZUNARELLI**, Professor - University of Bologna

11.20–11.40: **Regina ASARIOTIS**, Chief of Policy & Legislation Section, Division on Technology & Logistics, UNCTAD

Climate Change Impacts on ports – some considerations arising for commercial maritime law

11.40–12.00: **Ellen EFTESTÖL**, Professor - University of Helsinki, adjunct Prof. Univ. of Oslo,

The IMO requirements reducing Sulphur oxides emissions from ships and related liabilities

12.00–12.20: **Ioannis ANDROULAKIS**, Ass. Professor – Athens Law School, Attorney-at-law

Modern risks and criminal liabilities in shipping business

12.20–13.00: Discussion

SEVENTH SESSION (afternoon)

Chairperson: **Grigoris TIMAGENIS**, Ph.D., Attorney-at-law, President - Hellenic Maritime Law Association

16.30–16.50: Gaël PIETTE, Professeur – Université de Bordeaux

En quête d’uniformité en matière des documents entraînant application des Règles Hague–Visby

16.50– 17.10: Charles DEBATTISTA, Counsel/Arbitrator, former Professor - University of Southampton

Can Carriers still limit their liability? Judicial restrictions on limitation and how to get out of them

17.10–17.30: Loukas ZYGOUROS, Dr.jur., Attorney-at-law

The obligation of seaworthiness “revisited”, in the light of new regulatory intervention in shipping

17.30–18.00: Coffee break

EIGHTH SESSION (afternoon)

Chairperson: **George GERAPETRITIS**, Professor, Athens Law School – Minister for Cabinet

18.00–18.20: Gaute SIVERTSEN, Director - IOPC Funds

The international maritime liability regimes: Future Challenges

18.20–18.40: Nikos KONSTANTINIDIS, Dr.Jur., Attorney-at-law, Legal Department - Piraeus Port Authority

Seeking a suitable regulatory framework for compensating pollution damages caused by drilling platforms: a risk of massive claims

18.40–19.00: Christopher DAVIS, President - Comité Maritime International (CMI), Attorney-at-law³

Protecting foreign shipping companies under US insolvency proceedings (US Chapters 11 & 15)

19.00–20.00: Discussion

³ Partner– Baker Donelson New Orleans

Saturday, 28 May 2022

NINTH SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: **Sir Bernard RIX**, f. Lord Justice of Appeal, Professor of International Commercial Law – Queen Mary University

9.30–10.00: **Dieter SCHWAMPE**, Professor – University of Hamburg, Attorney-at-law, Vice President - Comité Maritime International (CMI)

Breaking the owner's right to global limitation – the latest Unified Interpretations of December 2021 revisited

10.00–10.20: **Vassilis VERNICOS**, LL.M., Attorney-at-law

Issues arising from the distribution of limitation funds

10.20 – 10.40 : **Philippe DELEBECQUE**, Professor, Université Paris I-Panthéon -Sorbonne

Les effets extraterritoriaux de la constitution du fonds de limitation

10.40–11.15: Discussion

11.15–11.30: Coffee break

TENTH SESSION (morning)

Chairperson: **Christos TZANERRIKOS**, Judge, Supreme Court (Areios Pagos)

11.30–11.50: **Kyriakos OIKONOMOU**, Judge, Supreme Court (Areios Pagos)

“Inverse” piercing of the corporate veil and maritime claims.

11.50 – 12.10: **Nikolaos KATIFORIS**, Ass. Professor – Athens Law School, Attorney-at-law

Assessment of the danger justifying ship's arrest under the 1952 Arrest Convention

12.10–12.30: **Dimitrios TSIKRIKAS**, Professor- Athens Law School, Attorney-at-law

The opposability of arbitration clauses to third parties in maritime transactions.

12.30–13.15: Interventions – Discussion

13.15: **PRIZE AWARD “YOUNG MARITIME PRIZE– PIRAEUS 2022”**

By

Ilias KLAPPAS (President, Piraeus Bar Association) & **Sponsor Representatives**

13.45: End of the Conference