Net-Zero and Climate-Resilient Shipping: Can Greece lead the race?

Sustainable Development Mapping for Greek Businesses

Date: Friday, May 31st, 2024, Time: 18:00 – 20:30 EEST
Location: Goulandris Natural History Museum, Kifissia, Greece

Event Description:

Under the auspices of the Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Insular Policy of Greece, the Goulandris Natural History Museum, the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network Global Climate Hub and the Alliance of Excellence for Research and Innovation on Aeiphoria (AE4RIA) are jointly organizing a workshop to explore pathways to accelerate the Greek Shipping Sector. Titled "Net-Zero and Climate-Resilient Shipping: Can Greece Lead the Race?" the event will take place on Friday, May 31st, 2024, from 18:00 to 20:30 EEST in Athens, Greece, at the Goulandris Natural History Museum.

Concept note:

The goal of this event is to accelerate the transformation of the Greek Shipping Sector by working with the community of stakeholders to develop ground-breaking innovation with positive economic, social and environmental impacts, while also promoting the contribution of the wider sector to the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The Workshop intents to establish a roundtable of stakeholders in the Shipping and Ports Industry including: Shipping companies (passenger, cargo), Port Authorities, Project Machinery Operators, Employee unions, Terminal Providers, Academia, Research Centres. Through a structured Workshop, the stakeholders will work on co-identifying the major challenges (economic, technological, political, social and financial) and engage them towards co-creating the vision and the pathways towards the decarbonization of the sector.

Taking into account the current global landscape, emerging trends and upcoming legislative requirements regarding sustainability, there is a unique opportunity for the Shipping Sector to reduce climate change-related risks and enhance the positive social impact of their operations: the potential to adopt a systems innovation approach that goes beyond compliance to redesign shipping into a sector capable of transforming their wider value chains and geographical areas, supporting and enabling the innovation.
Agenda:

17:30 – 18:00: Welcome Reception

18:00 – 18:20 EEST | Welcome and Introduction (20’)

- Opening Remarks by Mr. Christos Stylianides, Minister of Maritime Affairs and Insular Policy of Greece
- Welcome Remarks by Ms. Fali Vogiatzaki, President, Goulandris Natural History Museum
- Introductory Remarks by Prof. Phoebe Koundouri, Athens University of Economics and Business & Technical University of Denmark; Chair UN SDSN Global Climate Hub & AE4RIA
- Greeting Speech by Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, President UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network; Columbia University (online - TBC)

18:20 – 18:40 EEST | The integration of ESG Criteria in the Greek Business Sector (20’)

- Marianna Nathanail, European Investment Bank (EIB) Institutional Affairs Officer for Greece and Cyprus
- Dimitris Sakipis, Director ESG, Sustainability and Climate Change Services, PwC Greece
- Dr. Conrad Landis, Post-Doc Researcher, ReSEES Laboratory AUEB & SDU Athena Research Center; AE4RIA
- Prof. Phoebe Koundouri, Athens University of Economics and Business & Technical University of Denmark; Chair UN SDSN Global Climate Hub & AE4RIA
- Markus H.-P. Müller, Managing Director, Chief Investment Officer ESG & Global Head of Chief Investment Office Private Bank at Deutsche Bank (online)

18:40 – 19:20 EEST | Panel Discussion: Technological Innovations for Green Shipping (40’)

- Claus Graugaard, Chief Technology Officer, Mærsk Mc-Kinney Møller Center for Zero Carbon Shipping Center for Zero Carbon Shipping
- Prof. Dimitrios Lyridis, National Technical University of Athens, School of Naval Architecture & Marine Engineering, Director Laboratory for Maritime Transport
- Prof. Eva Krasakopoulou - Chemical Oceanographer, Department of Marine Sciences, University of the Aegean (online)
- Prof. Marie Münster, Technical University of Denmark (online)
- Prof. Baris Salihoglu, Director of the Institute of Marine Sciences, Middle East Technical University

Moderator: Prof. Alexandros Charalambides, Cyprus University of Technology
19:20 – 19:30 EEST | Twin Skills for the "Blue" Transition (10’)

- **Prof. Phoebe Koundouri**, Athens University of Economics and Business & Technical University of Denmark; Chair UN SDSN Global Climate Hub & AE4RIA
- **Dr. Conrad Landis**, Post-Doc Researcher, ReSEES Laboratory AUEB & SDU Athena Research Center; AE4RIA

19:30 – 19:40 EEST - Keynote Address (10’)

Keynote by Mr. **Panos Zachariadis**, Technical Director of Atlantic Bulk Carriers Management Ltd

19:40 – 20:20 Panel Discussion: Greece's Leadership in Sustainable Shipping (40’)

- **Eleni Polychronopoulou**, President, Hellenic Marine Equipment Manufacturers and Exports
- **Dimitrios Politis**, Chief Executive Officer, Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund S.A.
- **Dimitris Spyrou**, Piraeus Port Authority S.A
- **Panos Zachariadis**, Technical Director of Atlantic Bulk Carriers Management Ltd

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20:20 – 20:30 Wrap-up and Closing Remarks

20:30 – 21:30 Networking Cocktail Reception