Conference Agenda

First Day 19 June 2019

08:00  Registration & Welcome Coffee
09:00  Opening Remarks
       Louay Chaaban, Conference Manager
09:05  Welcome Address
       Eng. Abdel Hafiz Kayssi, Director General of Land and Maritime Transport, Ministry of Public Works and Transport
09:10  Special Address
       Dr. Ismail Abdel Ghafar Ismail, President of the Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport (AASTMT)
09:15  Key Note Address
       Dr. Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry, President of World Maritime University WMU.
09:20  VIP Key Note Address
       His Excellency Mr. Youssef Fenianos, the Minister of Public Works and Transport
09:30  Sponsors and Supporters Appreciation Trophies

09:30 - 10:00  Topic 1: Shipping

Session 1A
Overview of the Maritime Transport and Logistics Sector in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Session Chairman
Capt. Ali Haidar, Maritime Expert, Lebanese Bureau of Shipping

2. Mr. Salih Zeki Çakır, President of the Assemble of Turkish Chamber of Shipping, Turkey.
3. Mr. Max R. Zaccar, Chairman, Commercial Insurance; President of the Association of Insurance Companies in Lebanon (ACAL), Lebanon.
5. Mr. Adel Alghaberi, Economic Affairs Officer, Economic Development and Integration Division, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia ESCAW, Lebanon.

20 min Panel Discussion & Questions Open to the floor
This session will cover the following topics:

- The Role of the Maritime Transport, Ports and Logistics in the national economy.
- Current and Future Maritime Transport Projects.
- Introducing the Latest Technologies and Innovations in Shipping, Ports & Logistics.
- Introducing General Concepts of Investments in Shipping and Logistics to Attract the Attention of Investors, Businessmen & Regional Finance Banks by Introducing Development Plans, Proposed Projects and the Rules Governing Such Investments.
- The obstacles and concerns of the banking sector in investing in the maritime transport sector.

11:10/11:35 Coffee Break

11:35/12:35

**Topic 1: Shipping**

**Session 1B**

**Shipowners, Needs and Challenges**

Session Chairman
Capt. Haytham Chaaban, CEO Robban Assafina

1. **Ms. Ranim Ibrahim**, General Manager, Global Maritime Consultants Group, Lebanon.
3. **Mr. Raymond Khawand**, CEO, BBS Greece, Greece.
4. **Mr. Pantelis Chinakis**, President of the Board & Managing Director, International Naval Survey Bureau INSB Class, Greece.
5. **Mr. Andreas Philippou**, Co-CEO, Dromon Bureau of Shipping, Cyprus.

20 min Panel Discussion & Questions Open to the floor

This session will cover the following topics:

- Ship Owners’ / Ship Operators’ Needs and Challenges.
- Local & Regional Legislation Position that is Necessary to Facilitate Investment, in Ships & Shipping Projects.
- The Effect of Latest and Future IMO Regulations on Shipping Industry.
- Readiness of Regional Ships to 2020 SOx Regulations.
- Facilities of Ship Repair in East Med Region.
- Regional Marine Insurance Market Share, Are Ships a Key Sector?
- Poor Financing to Shipowners to Upgrade Their Fleet.
- How Technology Will Serve the Sustainability of Shipowners’ Business.
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Topics 2: Ports

Session 2
Readiness of Ports in Eastern Mediterranean as Hub Ports.

Session Chairman
Khoder Makki, Head of Business Section and Business Editor, Alkhaleej Newspaper, UAE

1. Dr. Ahmad Tamer, Director General, Tripoli Port, Lebanon.
2. Mr. Jens Floe, CEO, Red Sea Gateway Terminal, KSA.
3. Capt. Tarek Shahin, Chairman, Damietta Port Authority DPA, Egypt.
4. Mr. Bilal Malkawi, ITF Arab World Regional Secretary, International Transport Workers’ Federation, Jordan
5. TBA, Beirut Port, Lebanon.

20 min Panel Discussion & Questions Open to the floor

This session will cover the following topics:

- Overview of the Position of Ports and Logistics’ Services in the Eastern Mediterranean.
- How to Develop East Mediterranean Ports to Become Sustainable Hubs that Attract International Shipping Lines and Supply Chain Operations.
- Strategies for Ports and Terminals Expansion in Partnership with the Private Sector.
- The Role of Container Terminals in developing ports’ infrastructure.
- Prospects of Transformation into Intelligent Green Ports, Intelligent Shipping & Supply Chain Future.
- Digitization of Port and Logistics Services to Facilitate the Trade.
- Port Readiness and Implementation of International Maritime Conventions.
- Demonstration of Best Practices, Knowledge & Expertise in IT and Cyber Security of Port Operations.
- Investing in Information Technology that Serves the Renaissance of the Shipping Industry, Port Operation and Management, and Logistics Operations.

13:45/14:35 Lunch
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**Session 3**
**Oil and Gas Wealth in the Eastern Mediterranean (Reality and Challenges).**

**Session Chairman**
**Capt. Abdallah Chehab**, Director - Operations, MARCAP Marine Capabilities, UAE

1. **Mr. Assem Abou Ibrahim**, Head of QHSE Dept., Board Member, Lebanese Petroleum Administration LPA, Lebanon.
2. **Mr. Adib Abdel Massih**, CEO, Marine Core and Charter LLC, UAE.
5. **TBA**

20 min Panel Discussion & Questions Open to the floor

This session will cover the following topics:
- Overview of Present and Upcoming Projects.
- Oil and Gas Prices; Stability and Future perception.
- Role of Exploration and Offshore Companies; Opportunities and Plans.
- Infrastructure Readiness to Oil and Gas Export.
- Technology Development in Offshore Industry Operations and Logistics.
- The Security of the Offshore Industry in a Turbulent East Mediterranean Region.
- Cooperation and Competition Situation.
- Current Man Power and Training.

| 15:35/15:50 | Coffee Break |
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**Topic 4: Maritime Human Resources**

| 15:50/17:00 | Session 4  
Human Resources Competencies Development in Shipping, Logistics and Offshore Industries. |

**Session Chairman**

Dr. Aref Fakhry, Associate Professor, World Maritime University, Sweden.

1. Dr. Capt. Mohamed Dawood, Vice President for Maritime Affairs, Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport (AASTMT), Egypt.
2. Mr. Pierre Akl, Founder and Chairman, International Maritime Academy, Lebanon.
4. Dr. Belma Bulut, Head of Department of Maritime Safety and Security, Gend. and Coast Guard Academy, Turkey.
5. Dr. Abdelghani Benayoune, Head of Research & Graduate Studies, International Maritime College Oman, Oman.

20 min Panel Discussion & Questions Open to the floor

This session will cover the following topics:

- Strengthening Human Resources Training and Specialized Professionals to Contribute in the Renaissance of this Vital Sector.
- The role of Academic Institutes in Providing the Market with the Required Skilled Man Power.
- Encouraging the Implementation of Modern Innovative Techniques in the Field of Training and Maritime Education.
- Expanding Human Resource Capabilities, Qualification and Management in the Shipping, Logistics and Offshore Industries.
- Youth Reluctance to Study the Maritime Academic Programs (Issues and Solutions).

**17:00**  
End of the First Day.
Second Day 20 June 2019
Maritime Site Visit

08:30  Registration
09:00  Bus departure from Hilton Beirut Habtoor Grand to Beirut Port.
09:20  Arrival to Beirut Port.
      Port management will introduce the current and future projects that target the development of the port & container terminal infrastructure and facilities.
10:40  Bus departure from Beirut to MARSATI the Maritime and Science Technology Institute.
      Refreshments are sponsored by: TBA
12:00  Arrival to MARSATI the Maritime and Science Technology Institute.
      The delegation will mainly be briefed on the facilities of Marsati and its distinguished academic services.
13:15  Bus departure from MARSATI to Tripoli Port.
13:45: Arrival to Tripoli Port.
      Port management will introduce the current and future projects that target the development of the port & container terminal infrastructure and facilities, as well as acknowledging investment opportunities in this promising port.
15:00  Bus departure to Restaurant where Lunch will be hosted by Tripoli Port.
16:30  Bus departure to Hilton Beirut Habtoor Grand.
17:30  Bus arrival to Hilton Beirut Habtoor Grand.