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CSC 34TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 9 MAY 2023



The Chamber held its 34th Annual General Meeting with great success and participation, on Tuesday, 9 May 2023, at the "Four Seasons" hotel in Limassol, which has attended by State and Government dignitaries, Political Party representatives, Members of the House of Representatives, Diplomats, representatives of Professional Organisations and as well as by the resident Industry.

The General Meeting was addressed by the President of the Republic, Mr. Nikos Christodoulides, the President of the House of Representatives, Mrs. Annita Demetriou, the Secretary General of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), which the Chamber has been a Member for 30 years, Mr. Guy Platten and by the President of the Chamber, Mr. Themis Papadopoulos.

In his address, the President of the Republic, praised and congratulated the Chamber for its continuous contribution and active involvement in the further development of Cyprus Shipping and emphasised the commitment of the new Government to continue

the close cooperation with the Chamber and provide the necessary political support to the Shipping Industry, through the quick introduction of specific mechanisms necessary to further strengthen the sector.

The President of the House of Representatives, mentioned that the fact that Shipping has remained a strong and steady pillar of Cyprus economy, despite the challenges that are faced by the global economy, is commendable and admirable. She also reaffirmed, on behalf of all the Members of the House of Representatives, the Parliament's commitment to work closely with the Chamber, for the advancement of the Shipping sector in Cyprus.

In his address, the Secretary General of ICS, congratulated the Chamber's President, Mr. Themis Papadopoulos, for his recent re-election as one of the Vice-Presidents of ICS and thanked the Chamber for its longstanding input into ICS work, thus help shaping a better future for International Shipping. In relation to the Industry's decarbonisation efforts, stated that collaboration across the entire value chain is the

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only way we can forge a path to a decarbonised future.

Finally, the President of the Chamber, reviewed the challenges and developments that took place in 2022 in relation to Cyprus Shipping and the Chamber's activities towards the further development of the sector. He also mentioned that Shipping is one of the most serious economic pillars of the country and enhances the prestige of Cyprus, as a superpower in Shipping. Therefore, he emphasised, among other matters, the need for the immediate completion of the "One-Stop-Shipping-Center" at the Shipping Deputy Ministry and the swift preparation and approval of the regulations for the implementation of the "Shipping Company with Limited Liability". In relation to the longstanding Turkish Embargo to Cyprus ships,

he asked for concrete support of the Government and Diplomats to use their influence to immediately lift this illegal restriction.


In addition, he stated the commitment of the Chamber to continue its efforts for the fast and sustainable green transition of the Shipping Industry, through its active involvement in regional and international Shipping organisations, which represents the resident Industry for many years now.

During the Meeting, elections were also held for the new twelve Board of Directors of the Chamber for the period 2023-2025. Mr. Themis Papadopoulos was re-elected as President of the Chamber for a second two-year term with eleven top-level esteemed professionals from the Chamber's Member-companies.



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CSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTED FOR 2023-2025

					
Mr. Themis Papadopoulos INTERORIENT PRESIDENT	Mr. Philippos Philis LEMISSOLER IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Mr. Andreas Hadjipetrou COLUMBIA VICE-PRESIDENT	Mr. Dieter Rohdenburg INTERSHIP VICE-PRESIDENT	Mr. Andreas Neophytou MARLOW VICE-PRESIDENT	Mr. Prabhat Jha MSC VICE-PRESIDENT
					
Mr. Erwin Derlagen ENESEL BOARD MEMBER	Ms. Julia Anastasiou OSM BOARD MEMBER	Mr. Chrysostomos Papavassiliou PETRONAV BOARD MEMBER	Mr. John Hadjiparaskevas UNITEAM BOARD MEMBER	Ms. Anna Vourgos APHENTRICA BOARD MEMBER	Ms. Despina Theodosiou TOTOTHEO BOARD MEMBER

Following the Chamber's 34th Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday, 9 May 2023, we are pleased to present the new Board of Directors for the period 2023-2025 which consists the above Member-Companies representatives.

In this connection, we would like to wish all the new Members of the Board of Directors every success in their new duties.

We also like to express our Sincere Thanks to all the rest of our Candidates who were nominated for this year's elections.

CSC PUBLISHES ITS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2022



The 2022 Annual Report of the Chamber is now available, describing in detail the work and activities of the Association, at national and international level.

We wish to warmly thank all our Members and Business Associates for the excellent working relation and invaluable cooperation we share.

[READ OUR ANNUAL REPORT HERE](#)

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ADOPT A SHIP PROGRAMME END OF YEAR CEREMONY, 23 MAY 2023



The end of school year Award Ceremony, during which each teacher participating in the “Adopt a Ship” Programme is awarded with a Participation Certificate and each school entering the Programme is awarded with a ship model, was held on 23 May 2023. The event was attended by the Shipping Deputy Minister, Mrs. Marina Hadjimanolis and representatives from the Ministry of Education.

We would like to express our appreciation to Columbia Shipmanagement for hosting the event and for the lunch offered to the teachers afterwards. Appreciation is also extended to our colleagues at CYMEPA who together with the Chamber’s Secretariat organise and have the main responsibility to administer the “Adopt a Ship” Programme throughout the academic year.

CSC MEMBERS MEETING, 25 MAY 2023



On 25 May, the Chamber held a Members Meeting during which the topic “ESG and Shipping: Accelerating ESG changes in the maritime industry”, was presented. The presentation was led by Ms. Charlotte van Bouwel, Advisory Leader Marine, Cargo and Logistics, Continental Europe, Marsh Specialty.

Mrs. van Bouwel, explained how the Shipping Industry is experiencing an increased attention towards ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) and decarbonisation from multiple stakeholders like regulators, financiers and cargo owners and presented ways for companies in the maritime sector to create and strengthen their ESG strategies.

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SAVE THE DATES - CSC BUSINESS & SOCIAL FUNCTIONS



The Chamber is pleased to advise its Members, to save the following dates for the below coming functions.

Further details of these events will be provided in due course.

June Member's Meeting	14 June 2023	Amathus Beach Hotel, Limassol
Blood Donation Drive	20 June 2023	Ag. Georgios Havouzas, Limassol
Annual Dinner Dance	7 July 2023	Sands Beach Club-Resto, Limassol
Charity Beach Volley Tournament	2, 3 & 10 September 2023	Cyprus Volleyball Federation Courts, Limassol
"2023 Maritime Cyprus" Conference	8-11 October 2023	TBA
35th Year Anniversary Official Dinner	26 January 2024	TBA



02 | COMMITTEES

MANNING AND TRAINING COMMITTEE, 12 APRIL

The Committee reviewed the agenda notes of the ICS Crewing & Training Sub-Committee meeting held on 17 April 2023. The Committee noted the outcomes of the IMO Sub-Committee on Human Element, Training and Watchkeeping (HTW 9) which was held from 6 to 10 February 2023, the latest developments on EU recognition of STCW certification issued by the Philippines and the Maritime Just Transition movement.

The Committee agreed that the Manning and Training Committee will henceforth be referred to as Crewing and Training Committee (use of gender-neutral terminology) subject to the Board of Directors' endorsement.

03 | INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION

LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS | APRIL & MAY 2023

The Chamber's Secretariat and Representatives from its Member-Companies participated in the following meetings during April and May 2023, both at local and international level, in order to be able to offer as much assistance as possible to its Members in terms of information and updates related to important shipping matters. Members interested to receive more information on the matters discussed at these meetings, should contact the Secretariat.

- 1.CMMI 4th Year Anniversary Ceremony, 3/4
- 2.ECSA ETS TF, 5/4
- 3.MIEEK, Award Ceremony, 5/4
- 4.UCY Career and Entrepreneurship Fair, 6/4
- 5.ECSA ETS revenues Task Force, Presentation of study on contracts for difference, 20/4
- 6.Marine Money Cyprus Forum, 25/4
- 7.ECSA SF WG & Dialogue, 25/4
- 8.CMMI Board Meeting, 26/4
- 9.MARITIME CYPRUS 2023 Organising c/tee, 27/4
- 10.ECSA Ad Hoc SAC Meeting, 27/4
- 11.ECSA Joint meeting CCEG & ESSF to Discuss EU ETS, Webex, 4/5
- 12.ICS Members Online briefing on Maritime Just Transition Task Force, 4/5
- 13.ETS Implementation - Concept Note 1 Initial Discussion, Teams, 10/5
- 14.ICS Cyprus Branch, Members' Meeting, 10/5
- 15.ECSA Communications Working Group, 11/5
- 16.ECSA ETS Discussion on the responsible entity, 17/5
- 17.ECSA Internal Workshop on ETS for beginners with DG CLIMA, 22/5
- 18.Energy Parliamentary Committee - Russian Sanctions Cyprus Impact, 23/5 (
- 19.INTERTANKO Annual General Meeting 2023, 24/5
- 20.BIMCO Ordinary General Meeting, 25/5
- 21.Blue Limassol Forum 2023, 26/5

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COURTESY MEETINGS WITH NEW MINISTERS



The Chamber's Director General met various newly appointed Ministers during April and May as part of the courtesy meeting procedures the Chamber's follows once a new Government is established.

In particular, Mr. Kazakos met with the Minister of Justice and Public Order, Ms. Anna Koukkides on 7 April 2023 and the Minister of Defence, Mr. Michalis Georgallas on 20 April 2023.

Later in April and May the Chamber's President

Mr. Themis Papadopoulos and Director General, met with the Minister of Transport, Communications and Works, Mr. Alexis Vafiadis on 26 April 2023 and the Minister of Labour, Mr. Yiannis Panayiotou on 10 May 2023, briefing the latter on the long-standing issue of social security for EU seafarers on Cyprus flag ships, for which a subsequent meeting on 1 June arranged for a more detailed discussion on this matter among the two relevant Ministers.

10TH "EAST MED MARINE & OFFSHORE EXHIBITION 2023"



The Chamber's Director General addressed the Maritime Technology Conference, held within the framework of the 10th "East Med Marine & Offshore Exhibition 2023", by the Chamber's Member Famine Holding Group.

The Conference examined how can technology drive value, resilience and sustainability for the Maritime Industry.

Professionals from the Shipping Industry discussed the industry's efforts to reassess, reprioritise and reboot, using the technologies on offer to connect and reimagine new collaborative data ecosystems that enable the industry to reframe the challenges it faces, secure its license to operate, and grasp the emerging opportunities on the horizon.

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ELECTED CHAIR OF THE ASSOCIATION OF AVERAGE ADJUSTERS



ASSOCIATION OF Average Adjusters

We are very pleased to advise our Members that Mr. Burkhard Fischer, Director of our Member-company Albatross Adjusters Limited was recently elected as the new Chairman of the Association of Average Adjusters.

Taking into account his well-established career through the years in the specialised field of average adjusting, we are sure that Mr. Fischer will contribute significantly to the

commendable work of the Association and through that, help promote Albatross Average Adjusters and Cyprus Shipping at large.

We wish him every success in his new duties and we look forward to our close cooperation under his new capacity as well.

CSN MARINE INSURANCE CONFERENCE



The Chamber participated at the 1st CSN Marine Insurance Conference, which was held on 11 May 2023, with the support of the Chamber and with the participation of a number of the Chamber's Members.

The Chamber's Legal Affairs Manager, Mr. Sophoclis Constantinou, moderated a session of the Conference, discussing the challenges the marine insurance sector faced as a result

of the Covid-19 Pandemic, the war in Ukraine and the EU sanctions against Russia that followed.

The Conference was Chaired by the Chamber's Board Member and Director of its Member-Company, Aphentrica Marine Insurance Brokers, Mrs. Anna Vourgos.

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CSC SUPPORTS THE 3RD THALASSA 2023 EVENT



The Chamber, supported with its participation the 3rd "THALASSA 2023" event in a shared stand with CYMEPA and the Office of the Commissioner for the Environment. The event was organised again by the Shipping Deputy Ministry and the Limassol Municipality, on 20 May, at the Limassol Seafront area.

The activities offered at the Chamber's stand included informing youngsters and visitors about the wide range of career choices in the Shipping sector and the marine and maritime educational courses offered within Cyprus and abroad.

In addition, Chamber's and CYMEPA's representatives, interacted with children of younger age by playing the game "Little Seafarers", as a way to bring them closer to maritime and shipping through a learning experience.

Finally, the Chamber participated in the 5km Run, which took place within the framework of this event, as a way for Cyprus Shipping to express its appreciation to Seafarers.



05 | MARITIME EDUCATION

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED SHIPBROKERS - PROFESSIONAL QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS (PQE)



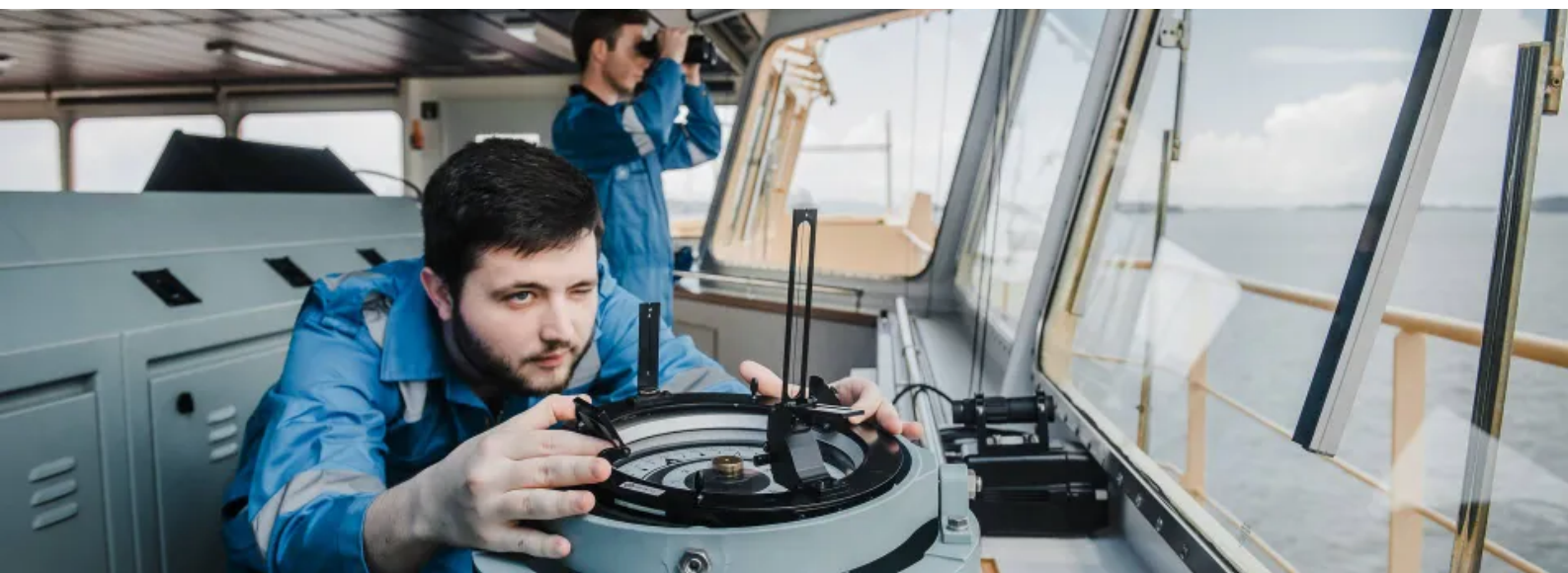
The Member-company employees who are considering sitting the examinations and who may require any advice are urged to make first contact with the Chamber's Marine Officer, Mr. Chrysostomos Efthymiou at the Chamber's Secretariat (Tel: 25 360717) or email c.efthymiou@csc-cy.org.

Further information on these matters may be obtained from the Education Officer of the Cyprus Branch, Costas Silitziotis, on 99 464012 or Stella Mavrommatis, Assistant Education Officer, at: icscy.education@gmail.com.

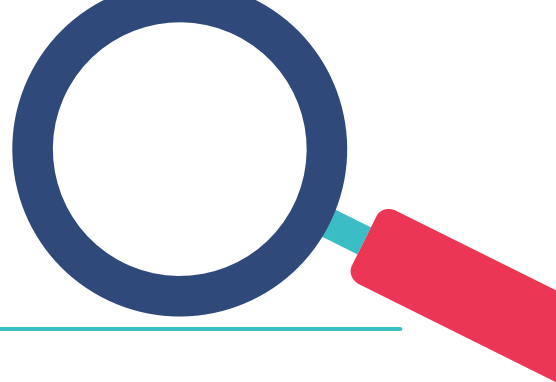
The Professional Qualifying Examinations (PQE) are the entry level requirement for membership with the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers. The mission of the Institute is promoting professionalism in the shipping industry worldwide. Once you pass the examinations you are eligible to apply for membership.

The examinations take place in Limassol each year in May and November as arranged by the Cyprus Branch of the Institute.

Deadline to Request Exceptional Exam Centres for May 2023 Exams	2 February 2023
November 2022 Exam Results Published	23 February 2023
Deadline for Post Examination Review for November 2022 Exams	10 March 2023
Final Deadline for May 2023 Exam Registration	13 April 2023
Deadline for Deferment, Exam Centre or Subject Changes for May 2023 Exams	19 April 2023
May 2023 Examination Session	15 - 25 May 2023
May 2023 Examination Results Published	24 August 2023



05| EMPLOYMENT



CANDIDATES

Mr. Photis Avraamides

63, Cypriot. Holder of a BA in Management and Finance. Previous experience as Managing Director of owned firm offering corporate services to businesses. Fluent in Greek and English.

Mrs. Panayiota Pitsillou - *Summer Internship*

20, Cypriot. 2nd year student of Commerce, Finance and Shipping at a local University. Interested for a part-time or full-time summer internship in shipping. Fluent in Greek and English.

Mrs. Maria Theodorou

29, Cypriot. Holder of a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) and LLM Specialized in Maritime Law. Registered as an Advocate to the Cyprus Bar Association. Previous experience as Trainee Lawyer at Attorney - General's Office and other law firms. Fluent in Greek and English.

Mrs. Revekka Sarri

31, Cypriot. Graduated St Mary's school Limassol and is looking for job opportunities at entry level in any position. Fluent in Greek and English.

Mrs. Vasiliki Kordolaimi

33 Greek. Holder of a Foundation Degree in Media & Creative Industries and Bachelors in Film Studies. Previous experience as CRM Manager and Creative Assistant, contributing creative content at any level. Fluent in Greek and English.

Contact us at csc@csc-cy.org to receive any of the above CVs.

