



GLOBAL
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FORUM

Oceans of Opportunity

Global Maritime Forum
Annual Summit

📍 Athens
17-19 October 2023

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The world is going through profound changes that will impact all parts of human existence, including the political, economic, social, technological, environmental and legal domains.

The multitude of changes and their interconnectedness create an unprecedented level of uncertainty, especially when compared to more stable historical periods of economic globalisation.

This is especially true for the maritime industry, which provides the fundamental transport services that allow the global economy to function and ensure that goods, food, and energy are supplied to a growing population.

Faced with the scale and complexity of the unfolding changes – whether it is geopolitical conflict, environmental degradation, the transformation of the energy system, the rise of AI or new social movements – it is a normal human reaction to want to minimise risks and adopt a wait-and-see attitude.

This is the exact opposite of what we need to do to ensure that the maritime industry continues to serve the needs of global trade in a way that is sustainable over the long term and creates new opportunities.

But what are the adequate responses to the ongoing changes we face and how do we seize the opportunities that any period of upheaval brings?

It is still too early to say, but the participants at the Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit in New York in 2022 developed 12 guiding principles that could inform such responses.

"The Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit will take place shortly after the IMO revises its greenhouse gas emissions strategy. The summit will provide an important opportunity to respond to MEPC 80 and determine how the maritime industry can best continue its decarbonisation journey. I look forward to hosting what I am sure will be fruitful and inspiring discussions in Athens."

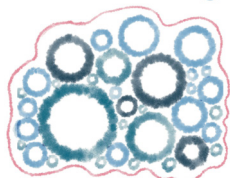
Jan Dieleman,
President, Cargill Ocean Transportation
and Chair of the Global Maritime Forum

"It has been reported that there is a very limited amount of the carbon budget left to achieve the 1.5 °C target. It is imperative the maritime community acts now to keep our cumulative amount of emissions as small as possible and stay on track to reach our eventual net-zero target. I look forward to discussing this issue at the Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit in Athens in October."

Toshiaki Tanaka,
Executive Vice President, COO, Mitsui O.S.K. Lines

Guiding Principles

THINK
HOLISTICALLY



ADOPT a SYSTEM
PERSPECTIVE

DRIVE
CHANGE

WITH TRANSPARENCY
& DATA



BE
BRAVE!

LOOK FOR
SOLUTIONS



ACT!

DONE is
BETTER
than PERFECT



CARE
FOR
YOUR
PEOPLE



LISTEN
with an
OPEN
MIND



EMBRACE
CHANGE

Think out of
the Box



SET <sup>SHORT
TERM</sup>
GOALS

on LONG TERM
OBJECTIVES

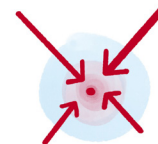


ENGAGE
your
StakeHolders

THE CHALLENGES
are BIGGER
than SHIPPING



MINIMIZE
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NO ORGANIZATION
CAN DO IT ALONE



SHARE
KNOWLEDGE
TO
ACHIEVE
COMMON
GOALS

Interconnected change drivers

At the 2023 Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit in Athens, stakeholders from across the full maritime value chain and beyond will come together to identify the key challenges and opportunities that are shaping the future of global seaborne trade.

This includes taking ambitious action on shipping decarbonisation, improving human sustainability and well-being both onshore and at sea, and responding to the changing geopolitical and economic realities of global trade.

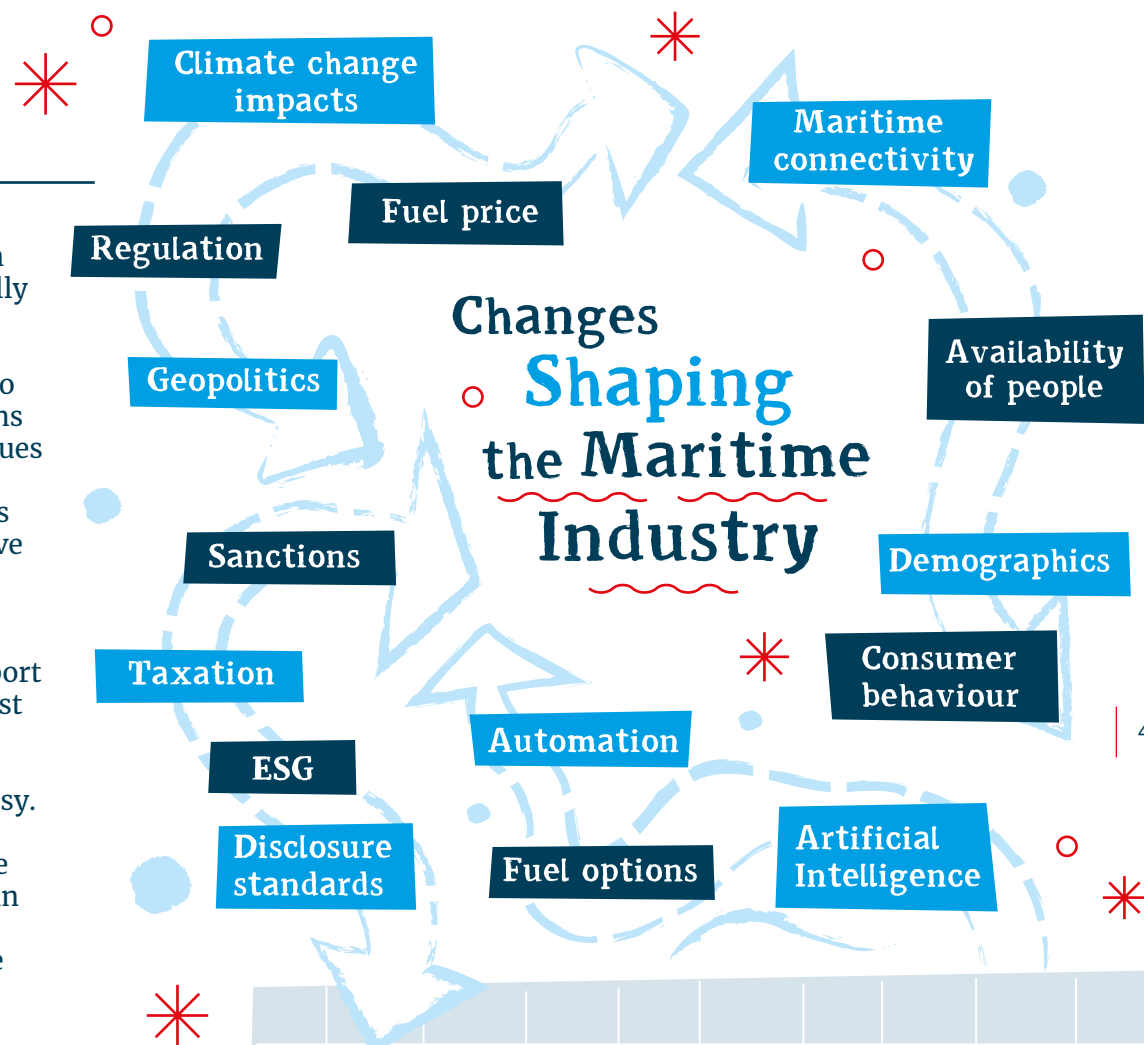
Participants will seek to explore the complex and profound changes affecting the industry and seek to identify trade-offs and blind spots that should be taken into account when striving to increase the industry's contribution to sustainable long-term economic development and human well-being.

Taking action together

All of this work will be done with one unifying purpose: individually and collectively showing the leadership and action that will allow us to act and move closer to our collective goals and ambitions despite the complexity of the issues we face. This is important as a solution in one domain – such as adopting new and more expensive zero-emission fuels – is likely to impact other domains – for instance, by creating new safety risks or making maritime transport services more costly to those least able to afford it.

The journey is not going to be easy. But if all of us put our collective genius to work, we have a unique opportunity to navigate the ocean of opportunity to the benefit of the maritime industry and the world it serves.

Join us in Athens
in **October 2023**
to help shape the future
of global seaborne trade.



KEY QUESTIONS:

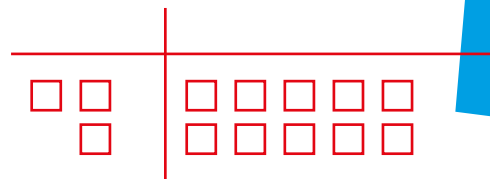
- What change drivers are impacting the shipping sector and its interactions with other global systems?
- What are the key risks and opportunities emerging from the interconnectedness of such changes?
- How do we work together to identify the blind spots that might derail collective action?

About the Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit

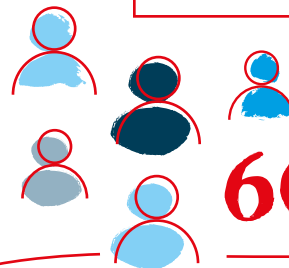
The Global Maritime Forum's Annual Summit brings together around 200 C-suite leaders from across the maritime spectrum who have the will to address the most pressing issues facing the industry. Invitees are selected to ensure an adequate representation of the entire maritime spectrum and give each segment, geography and stakeholder group an equal say in the proceedings.

The Annual Summit primarily consists of workshop-style discussions that encourage participants to work in groups to seek collaborative responses to various challenges we face. The working sessions are supplemented by briefings with leading experts who will inspire and challenge the conversations, as well as a few keynote sessions and panel discussions featuring top government officials and business leaders.

The purpose of the Annual Summit is not merely to discuss industry issues but to catalyse collective initiatives that can increase sustainable long-term economic development and human well-being. The Annual Summit is thus highly collaborative, and all participants are expected to share, inspire and learn.



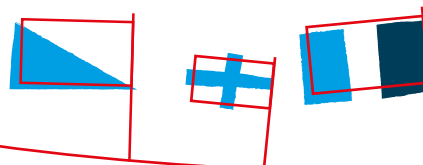
the Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit has inspired



609 unique participants



representing **432** unique organisations



and **50** different countries

"The Global Maritime Forum Annual Summit allows me to connect with a network of like-minded people whose support re-energises me so that I can return to my community and my organisation and carry out the courageous changes that need to be done for a more sustainable industry."

Semiramis Paliou,
Director and Chief Executive Officer, Diana Shipping Inc

Programme overview

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TUESDAY, 17 OCTOBER

16:45	Arrival and networking
17:15	Opening event
19:00	Welcome reception
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WEDNESDAY, 18 OCTOBER

09:30	Arrival and networking
10:00	Plenary and learning sessions
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Working sessions
17:30	Plenary
18:30	Transport for dinner
18:45	Drinks and Summit dinner
The Summit dinner is kindly hosted by the Baltic Exchange	

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THURSDAY, 19 OCTOBER

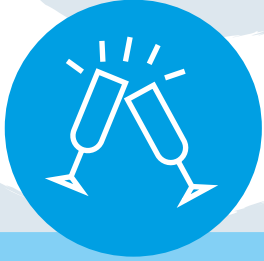
09:30	Arrival and networking
10:00	Working sessions
13:00	Closing plenary
13:45	Lunch

The programme is subject to minor changes.

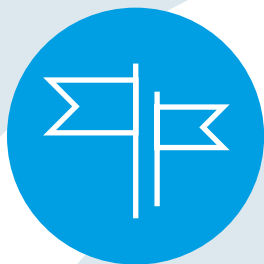
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journey

Day 0

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**Opening event
and reception**



**Set collective
goals**



**Share
a meal**



Closing

Day 1

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CULTURAL CENTRE



**Register
and reconnect**



**Create
opportunities**



**Think
holistically**

**Share
knowledge**



**Listen with
an open mind**



**Reflect with
your peers**



**Win as much
as you can**



**Drive collaborative
change**



**Develop pathways
to impact**

Day 2

Practical information



DATES AND VENUE

17 OCTOBER 2023

Onassis Stegi
Leof. Andrea Siggrou 107
Athens, Greece

18-19 OCTOBER 2023

Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center
(SNFCC)
Leof. Andrea Siggrou 364
Athens, Greece

Participation in the Global Maritime Forum's Annual Summit is by invitation only. All working sessions are conducted under the Chatham House Rule.



ACCOMMODATION

We encourage you to stay in one of the official hotels. Rooms can be requested when registering for the Annual Summit.



TRANSPORTATION

A shuttle transfer will be arranged from the official hotels to the Annual Summit venue and further to the Summit dinner venue.



FURTHER INFORMATION

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PRESS

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