

PROGRAM

APRIL 17th, 2024

EUGENIDES FOUNDATION
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10:00-10:10 Conference Opening

- Conference Opening Statement by **Athanasios Platias**, Professor of Strategy, University of Piraeus, President of The Council.
- Address by **Leonidas Dimitriadis-Eugenides**, President of the Eugenides Foundation, IMO Good Will Ambassador.

10:10-10:40 Welcome remarks

- Opening remarks by Chief of Staff of Hellenic National Defense General Staff, General **Dimitrios Houpis**.
- Address by the Chief of the Hellenic General Staff, Vice Admiral **Dimitrios-Eleftherios Kataras**.
- Address by the Chief of the Hellenic Coast Guard, **George Alexandrakis**.
- Address by the Secretary of the Union of Greek Shipowners and President of the International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO), **Dimitrios J. Fafalios**.
- Address by the President of the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping, **George D. Pateras**.

10:40-11:05 Break

11:05-13:00 The institutional, Operational, and Technological Assurance of Freedom of Navigation

- **Hiroyuki Yamada**, Director of Maritime Safety Division, IMO, "Maritime Security."
- **Stylianos Fenekos**, Admiral (ret.), "The Critical Role of Warships in the Management of Maritime Areas for Freedom of Navigation and Security."
- **Dimitrios Dalaklis**, Professor, World Maritime University, "Freedom of Navigation in the Globalization's Decoupling Era."
- **Spyros Papageorgiou**, Commander (HN) Director of Cyberdefence Directorate, Hellenic National Defense General Staff, "Maritime Security and ways of dealing with Cyber-Attacks."

Moderator: **Konstantina Botsiou**, Professor of Political History and International Relations, University of Piraeus and Dean of the School of Economics, Business and International Studies, University of Piraeus

13:00-13:30 Keynote speech

- Nikolaos Dendias, Minister of National Defense.

13:30-13:45 Break

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13:45-15:30 The Legal and Economic Aspects of Maritime Security

- **Petros Liakouras**, Professor of International Law, University of Piraeus, "The Interplay between Maritime Security and UNCLOS: the case of Eastern Mediterranean."
- **George Economou**, G. E. Economou and Associates Law Firm, "The impact of sanctions in maritime trade."
- **Thanos Pallis**, Professor of Maritime and Port Management, University of Piraeus, "Geopolitical leverage through foreign direct investments in seaports."
- **Yannis Myriantopoulos**, Member of the Board of Directors of the Hellenic Committee of Lloyd's Brokers Associates, "The impact of hostilities on maritime insurance."

Moderator: **Christos Hadjiemmanouil**, Professor of International and European Financial and Monetary Institutions, University of Piraeus.

15:30-15:45 Break – light lunch

15:45-17:30 The Geopolitical Dimension of Maritime Security

- **Athanasios Platias**, Professor of Strategy, University of Piraeus, President of The Council for International Relations, "Geopolitical Competition, Disruptions and Risks in the Maritime Environment."
- **Chris Parry**, Rear Admiral CBE PhD, Visiting Fellow, University of Reading and MD of Middlemarch Enterprises, "The Geopolitics of Sea Control and Sea Denial."
- **Rodger Baker**, Executive Director of the Stratfor Center for Applied Geopolitics at RANE, "Maritime and Naval Developments the Arctic, in East Asia and the Pacific."
- **Marilena Koppa**, Professor of Comparative Politics, Panteion University, former Member of the European Parliament, "European Maritime Security Strategy."

Moderator: **Konstantinos Arvanitopoulos**, Professor of International Politics, Panteion University, former Minister.

17:30-17:40 Break

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17:45-19:30 Global Maritime Connectivity - Contemporary Threats

- **Antonis Papaioannou**, Admiral (retired), "Modern threats against commercial ships in the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden and ways to deal with it."
- **Sotirios Theofanis**, Executive Director, MARLOGMIND PC and Professor of Practice, CITY College, University of York Europe Campus, "The crisis in the Red Sea and the impact on Liner Shipping and the Port Industry."
- **Sotiris Roussos**, Professor of International Relations, University of Peloponnese, "Maritime Security Threats in the Red Sea and the Gulf region."
- **Matthew Turpin**, Visiting Fellow at the Hoover Institution/Stanford University, Senior Advisor at Palantir Technologies, "Sino-American geopolitical competition and the risks to maritime security."

Moderator: **Yiannis Lagoudis**, Associate Professor of Ship Management Business Administration, Department of Maritime Studies, University of Piraeus.

19:30-19:35 Conclusions

- **Loukas G. Katsonis**, President of the Institute of Foreign Affairs - editor of Policy Journal.



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