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# **Renaissance Harbour View Hotel, Hong Kong**

# 08:00 – 09:30 Registration

# 09:30 Welcome Remarks by Marine Money

Andrew Oates, Managing Director, Marine Money Asia

# 09:40 Keynote Address

Angad Banga, Chairman, The Hong Kong Shipowners Association (HKSOA)

# 09:50 Trends Impacting Capital Flows & Investments

Raghu Narain, Head of Investment Banking, APAC, Natixis

# **10:10 Global Shipping Outlook**

Parash Jain, Head of Transport Research, Asia-Pacific, HSBC

# 10:30 Geopolitical Shifts and the Impact on Shipping Decision Making

Shipping executives discuss shipping disruptions and changing trade routes. How have operations been impacted and is more disruption on the horizon.

# Moderator

Richard Hext, Deputy Chairman, The Hong Kong Shipowners Association (HKSOA)

# Panel

Clarence Leung, Partner, Asset Finance and Leasing, PwC Hong Kong

Martin Rowe, Vice President, Anglo-Eastern Univan Group Ambrish Bansal, Senior Vice President & Global Head, Management Consultancy & ESG Advisory, Lloyd's Register Olivia Lennox-King, Chief Operating Officer, Cetus Maritime Thomas Söderberg, Founder and Director, Tribini Capital Limited



# 11:05 Networking Break

# 11:35 Wah Kwong: A Stalwart of Hong Kong Shipping

For seven decades, Wah Kwong has been involved in global shipping. As one of Hong Kong's leading privately owned shipowners, Wah Kwong owns and operates a diversified fleet of ships in addition to offering a full range of technical and commercial management services to customers and partners. **Executive Chairman, Hing Chao**, discusses the evolution, focus and future of the company.

Interviewed By: Kevin Oates, Head, Marine Money Asia

# 12:00 Nurturing and Retaining Maritime Talent in Hong Kong

# Moderator

Jagmeet Makkar, Co-Founder and Director, SkillsPlus

# Panel

Hare Ram Sah, Fleet Director, Wah Kwong Ship Management Sivanand Ray, Global head of Crewing, Pacific Basin Shipping Sanjeev Verma, Managing Director, Seaways Ship Management Aalok Sharma, Group Director, Training, Anglo-Eastern Ship Management

Ben Shao, Head of Learning and Development, Wallem Group

# 12:30 Asian Decarbonisation – Everyone Pitching In?

Christine Loh, Chief Development Strategist, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)



# 12:50 Lunch

# 14:00 Market Liquidity, Interest Rates, Decarbonization, Pricing: What makes a bankable shipping deal in 2024?

#### Moderator

Jonathan Silver, General Counsel, Purus

## Panel

Mark Teng, Managing Director, Credit Agricole CIB Stephanie Leow, Managing Director & Regional Head, Shipping Finance, Standard Chartered Ofir Wilzig, Chief Financial Officer, X-Press Feeders

# 14:30 Continued Demand for Chinese Leasing and Innovative Financial Solutions

With a higher interest environment and less focus on leverage where can Chinese leasing and other innovative financial solutions find their niche.

## Moderator

Dora Ying, Counsel, Watson Farley & Williams

## Panel

Steven Xiao, Managing Director, Equator Fund Antonis Mavros, Managing Director, AGL Maritime Charlie Tsai, Deputy Head of Shipping Finance, BOCOM Financial Leasing

Terry Chen, Head of Ship Finance (China), SSY Global



# 15:00 Introducing: SeaKapital Holdings

Hong Kong's newest ship leasing company, **SeaKapital**, jointly founded by Sabrina Chao and Kenneth Lam, aims to provide customised solutions through ship leasing for global ship owners, operators and charterers. **Co-Founder and CEO, Kenneth Lam**, discusses market opportunities, growth and why Hong Kong is the perfect location for his new business.

### **Interviewed By**

Simone Liu, Partner, Stephenson Harwood LLP

# 15:25 How Companies Big and Small Must Analyse and Digest Shipping Finance Options

Different shipowners and investors require different sources and structures of finance depending on their strategy and individual transactions. A discussion about terms, conditions and structure and best suitability.

### Moderator

Peter Lee, Partner, Reed Smith Richards Butler LLP

# Panel

Emma Cawood, Managing Director – Finance, Cetus Maritime Michael Steen Hansen, CFO, Portline Group Mark Haines, Managing Partner, Stamford Shipping Christian Nolting, Group Treasurer, Purus

# 16:15 Closing Remarks and Conference Concludes

Andrew Oates, Managing Director, Marine Money Asia

# Closing Cocktail Reception graciously hosted by



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The Poolhouse, Grand Hyatt Hong Kong (adjacent to conference venue)