

CYPRUS SHIPPING & TECHNOLOGY BUSINESS DELEGATION TO JAPAN



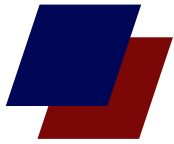
 **9 APRIL 2024**
 **DELEGATION OF THE EUROPEAN UNION TO JAPAN**
 **10:00 - 16:00**

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AGENDA

10:00 - 10:30 **Registration for the Forum**

10:30 - 10:45 **Opening Remarks**



Mr. Charalambos Manoli

President of Famagusta Chamber of Commerce and Industry,
Cyprus Chamber of Commerce & Industry



Mr. Jean-Eric Paquet

Ambassador of the European Union (EU) to Japan



Mr. Nobutaka Maekawa

Executive Vice President, Japan External Trade Organization

10:45 - 11:00

Keynote Speech: "Cyprus as an International Business Center in the EU"



H.E. Mr. George Papanastasiou

Minister of Energy, Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Cyprus

11:00 - 11:15



Presentation: "Cyprus: A leading Ship Registry and International Maritime"

Ms. Eliza Neophytou

Maritime Officer A, Shipping Deputy Ministry of the Republic of Cyprus

11:15 - 11:30



Presentation: "Cyprus as an Emerging Technology Hub"

Mr. Demetris Skourides

Chief Scientist for Research, Innovation and Technology and Chairman, Research and Innovation Foundation

11:30 - 11:50



Panel Discussions

Panel Discussion on Technology

Moderator: Mr. Demetris Skourides



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Panel Discussion on Shipping

Moderator: Mr. Tony Andriotis,

President of the Greek Chamber of Commerce in Japan



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11:50 - 12:00

Q&A and closing remarks

12:00 - 13:00

Networking Lunch

13:00 - 16:00

B2B Meetings

SPEAKERS PROFILES

H.E. Mr. George Papanastasiou Minister of Energy, Commerce and Industry



George Papanastasiou was appointed Minister of Energy, Commerce and Industry on March 1st 2023. He is a mechanical engineer by profession, with an HND in Mechanical Engineering from the Higher Technical Institute of Cyprus, a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from City University London and an MSc in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning from Kings College London. He worked for 26 years at BP in Cyprus, the UK and other European countries, having held various managerial positions within the company, including Cyprus' Head of Country. From 1st of October 2011 and until his appointment as Energy Minister, he was Managing Director and General Manager of VTT Vasiliko Ltd (VTTV), a subsidiary of Netherlands based VTTI B.V.

Mr. Charalambos Manoli President of Famagusta Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Cyprus Chamber of Commerce & Industry



Charalambos Manoli was born in 1960 in Famagusta and is currently a Managing Director at Acheon Akti Navigation Co Ltd. Pursued his education at the Nicosia Higher Technical Institute from 1977 to 1980, earning an HTI Diploma in Marine Engineering. He then continued his studies at the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in Shipbuilding in 1984. After studying shipbuilding in Scotland, he returned to Cyprus to work as a ship inspector, and went on to found multiple shipping companies. In 2002, Manoli established Acheon Akti Navigations Limited, a Limassol-based ship management company.

Mr. Jean- Eric Paquet Ambassador of the European Union (EU) to Japan



Jean-Eric Paquet is the Ambassador of the European Union (EU) to Japan since autumn 2022. He held various mandates at the European Commission, where he contributed in shaping EU policy in various fields. As the Director-General for Research and Innovation from 2018 and 2022, he set up the European Innovation Council and promoted a whole-of-government approach for R&I, notably via the creation of several EU Missions to solve major ecological, societal and economical challenges. He gained considerable experience at international level as Director for the Western Balkans in the Directorate-General for European Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations and as EU Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania from 2004 to 2007. From 2015 to 2018, he was Deputy Secretary-General of the European Commission, in charge of Better Regulation and Policy Coordination, covering all policy areas related to the EU Green Deal.

Mr. Nobutaka Maekawa Executive Vice President, Japan External Trade Organization



Graduated from the University of Tokyo, Faculty of Law, and joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1987. After working in the Economic Affairs Bureau, Economic Cooperation Bureau, and Global Issues Department, he served as Minister at the Embassy of Japan in Germany, Director of the General Affairs Department of Yokohama Customs, Ministry of Finance, Director of the Research Coordination Department of the Japan Institute of International Affairs, Minister and Deputy Chief of Mission for the Embassy of Japan in Belgium and Mission of Japan to NATO, and Consul General in Munich before assuming his current position in October 2023.

Mr. Demetris Skourides Chief Scientist for Research, Innovation and Technology and Chairman, Research and Innovation Foundation



Mr. Demetris Skourides is the Chief Scientist for Research, Innovation and Technology of the Republic of Cyprus and chairs, ex officio, the Board of Directors of the Research and Innovation Foundation (RIF) of Cyprus, Technology advisor of H.E. the President of the Republic of Cyprus and the Deputy Minister for Research, Innovation and Technology, including AI. Mr. Skourides holds a BSc in Computer Science, from Arizona State University, USA, and an MBA from Henley Management College, UK. Among other things, he has been trained in digital transformation, artificial intelligence, data monetisation and sales, in programs at Columbia, Stanford, MIT and Harvard Universities respectively. He joined Oracle Cyprus in 2006 after two years at the Cyprus Organisation for Standardisation and has since followed an international career with Oracle, taking on management roles across South East Europe and Commonwealth countries. In his most recent role, Mr. Skourides worked at Amazon Web Services, Dubai, UAE, as Industry Strategist for EMEA Commercial Sales.



Ms. Eliza Neophytou

Maritime Officer A, Shipping Deputy Ministry of the Republic of Cyprus



Eliza holds a master's degree in Public Administration and a bachelor's degree in Maritime Studies and has an extensive experience in maritime affairs. She began her career in the private sector, focusing on seafarers' matters. Joining the Cyprus Shipping Deputy Ministry in 2003 as a Maritime Officer, she has been working towards promoting the competitiveness of the Cyprus Ship Registry and positioning Cyprus as an international maritime center.



Mr. Tony Andriotis

President and Founder of the Greek Chamber of Commerce in Japan



Mr. Andriotis is a Partner at DLA Piper, a leading international law firm with offices in Tokyo. Mr. Andriotis also serves as the President of the Greek Chamber of Commerce in Japan. He has extensive experience in ADR and has acted on behalf of Japanese parties in JCAA, ICC, SIAC and ICDR arbitration. Tony is also experienced in litigation, international regulatory work and bankruptcy. Tony has lived in Japan for over a decade.

PROFILES OF THE COMPANIES

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The CCCI is the union of Cypriot business people, the interests of whom it promotes by submitting to the government and the Parliament the members' positions on matters in which they are involved, while, through its participation in tripartite bodies and committees, it conveys and promotes the views of the business community.



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Cyprus Trade Center in Tokyo

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