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SHIPPING RELATED INDUSTRIES”**

ATHENS, 29-30 MAY 2008

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Athens, 29-30 May 2008

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY 29 MAY 2008

09:00 Registration of participants and distribution of the colloquial material

9:30 – 9.50 Announcement of the beginning of the Colloquium's works by a representative of Law Faculty – University of Athens

Salutation by

Fotis Karamitsos, Director, Maritime Transport Directorate, DG TREN,
European Commission

John Tzoannos, Professor, Business University of Athens
General Secretary, Ministry of Merchant Marine

FIRST SESSION

“Competition in Shipping”

Chairman: Fotis Karamitsos, Director - Maritime Transport Directorate, European Commission

10:00: Francesco Munari, Professor of Commercial Law, University of Genoa,
Attorney at law

“The repeal of EC regulation 4056/86 and future maritime antitrust policy.”

10.20: : Alla Pozdnakova, PhD, Post Doc. Researcher SIML
“Cooperation of liner carriers under EC Competition Law, with focus on information exchange agreements”

10.40: Emmanuel Mastromanolis, Lecturer of Commercial Law, Law Faculty-
University of Athens, Attorney at Law

“Aspects of maritime competition under the EC and the US laws: similarities, differences and conflicts.”

11.00-11.30 : Break - Coffee

*Chairman: Antonis Antapassis, Professor, Law Faculty – University of Athens,
President of EEND*

11.30 : Lia Athanasiou, Ass. Professor of Commercial Law, Law Faculty- University
of Athens, Attorney at law

*“Competition in regular and tramp maritime transport services: uniform regulation,
divergent application?”*

11.50: Filippo Lorenzon, Lecturer in Law, Renato Nazzini, PhD, Reader in Law
University of Southampton
*“Setting sail on the sea of doubt: shipping pools, competition and the noble quest for
certainty”*

12.10: Olav Kolstad, Professor of Private Law, University of Oslo
*“Cooperate or merge?
Structural changes and full-function joint ventures in the shipping industry”*

12.30-13.00 Interventions- Discussion

SECOND SESSION

“Competition in the port sector and in specific markets”

Chairman: Dimitrios Tzouganatos, Professor, Law Faculty-University of Athens

17.00: Eric Van Hooydonk, Professor, European Institute of Maritime and Transport
Law of Antwerp (TBC)
“Recent initiatives of the European Commission in the field of port policy.”

17.20: Lenita Lindström-Rossi, senior case-handler, Directorate General of
Competition, European Commission
“The application of competition rules to the port sector”

17.40: Giorgos Gerapetritis, Ass. Professor of Constitutional Law, Law
Faculty – University of Athens, Attorney at law,
“Sea ports’ privatisations: public interest v. freedom of competition”

18.00-18.30: Break – Coffee

*Chairman: Erik Rosaeg, Professor - Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law
University of Oslo*

18:30: Rosa Greaves, Professor of Commercial Law, University of Glasgow and
SIML
*«The application of the EC Competition Rules to Cabotage, mainly to the island
Cabotage»*

18.50: Alexandra Mikroulea, Ass. Professor of Commercial Law, Law Faculty-
University of Athens, Attorney at law
“Competition and public service in Greek Cabotage”

19.10: Iliana Christodoulou-Varotsi, Deree College, Attorney at law
*“A Maritime Competition Reading of Regulation 1408/71/EC on the Coordination of
Social Security Systems in the European Union: Is the Current Regime Out of Date?”*

19:30-20.20: Discussion

FRIDAY MAY 30, 2008

THIRD SESSION
“Competition distorting factors”

Chairman: John Tzoannos, Professor, Business University of Athens
General Secretary, Ministry of Merchant Marine

09:30: Phedon Nikolaidis, Professor and Head of Unit on EC Policies, European
Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht
"An Assessment of Fiscal State Aid Measures to Shipping"

09:50: Nikolaos Farantouris, Department of International and European Studies,
University of Piraeus, Attorney at law
"Public financing in the port sector and state aid rules"

10:10: Georgios Matsos, Attorney at law,
"Tonnage Tax and Tax Competition"

10:30-11:00: Break - Coffee

Chairman: Ignacio Arroyo, Professor, University Autònoma de Barcelona

11:00: Trine-Lise Wilhemsen, Professor – Director,
Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law – University of Oslo
"Marine insurance regimes and their impact on shipping competition"

11:20: Dimitrios Christodoulou, Lecturer of Commercial Law, Law Faculty-
University of Athens, Attorney at law
"Competition and P& I Clubs"

11:40 : Xosé Manuel Carril Vázquez, Professor of Labor Law,
University of La Coruña,
*"Advantages and disadvantages of the parallel flags in an international shipping
context"*

12:00-12:40: Interventions- Discussion

FOURTH SESSION
“Freedom of contract v. regulation in maritime transport”

Chairman: Evangelos Perakis, Professor, Law Faculty, University of Athens

16:00: Hannu Honka, Professor of Maritime Law, Abö Academy, Finland
*«The limits of the mandatory rules in the UNCITRAL draft Convention on the
carriage of goods by sea»*

16.20: Ph. Delebecque, Professor of Commercial Law, University Paris I-Panthéon-Sorbonne

“La responsabilité du transporteur maritime dans le projet de Convention de la CNUDCI sur les transports de marchandises par mer»

16.40: Stefano Zunarelli, Professor of Maritime Law, University of Bologna,
« *Transfer of Rights and Delivery of Goods in the UNCITRAL Draft Convention* »

17.00-17.30: Break - Coffee

17.30: Yves Tassel, Professor of Maritime Law, University of Nantes,
« *Volonté et Ordre Public Relativement à l'Effet Juridique des Règles de La Haye-Visby : perspectives du droit anglais et du droit français* »

17.50: Eleni Gkologina-Oikonomou, Associate Professor of Commercial Law,
Law Faculty, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki,
“Issues arising from the limitation of liability of the carrier in the maritime transport of passengers”

18.10 – 18.50: Interventions - Discussion

18.50: A. Antapassis, Professor, Law Faculty, University of Athens
Conclusions and closing of the Colloquium