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## Securing your ships from external disruptions: safety and decarbonisation perspectives

*the 2024 edition of the GREEK-BRITISH SHIPPING FORUM,  
held as part of Posidonia 2024 on **Tuesday, 4 June 15:30-19:15**  
at The Book Castle, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center*

15:30 **Registration & refreshments**

16:00 **Welcome remarks**

Harry Theochari OBE, Chair, Maritime London

### **Keynote Addresses**

16:10 H.E. Matthew Lodge, His Majesty's Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic

16:20 Lord Davies of Gower, Maritime Minister, UK Government

16:30 **Session 1: Ensuring Safety in a Heightened-Risk Environment**

We hear much about the commercial implications of global trade disruption, as a consequence of the well-publicised choke points in key shipping routes. However, in a heightened-risk environment, how can the industry work smarter to ensure the safety of assets and importantly seafarers? This panel discussion will be moderated by Jos Standerwick, Chief Executive, Maritime London.

17:45 **Coffee break**

18:00 **Session 2: Tramp Shipping - the Elephant in the Decarbonisation Room?**

The flexibility of the spot market is central to the global trade in commodities and has created one of the purest marketplaces the world has ever seen. However, the structure does not lend itself to the collaboration between cargo interests, shipowners, and terminal operators, often cited as a key driver for the shipping industry's decarbonisation. This panel discussion will explore how decarbonisation will alter the market dynamics and what practical steps can be taken to align with IMO mid-term measures. This panel discussion will be moderated by Richard Meade, Editor in Chief, Lloyd's List.

19:15 **Seminar ends**

19:30 **British Ambassador's Evening Reception**

at the Lighthouse, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center

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