

WISTA INTERNATIONAL

AGM & CONFERENCE 2024

MARITIME EXCELLENCE DRIVEN BY INNOVATION

09 - 11 OCTOBER 2024
LIMASSOL, CYPRUS



AGENDA



Monday 7 October 2024:

9am – 5pm WISTA International Executive Committee Meeting (ExCo only)

Tuesday 8 October 2024:

9am – 5pm National WISTA Associations (NWA) Presidents' Round Table Discussion (NWA Presidents only)

8pm – 11pm Welcome Cocktail Reception

Wednesday 9 October 2024:

9am – 5pm WISTA International Annual General Meeting (WISTA Members only)

8pm – 11pm Welcome Cocktail Reception

Thursday 10 October 2024:

09:00 – 09:30 Registration and Welcome Coffee

09:30 – 10:15 Welcome Addresses

- H.E. President of the Republic of Cyprus, Mr Nikos Christodoulides
- H.E. The Shipping Deputy Minister to the President, Mrs Marina Hadjimanoli
- President WISTA International, Mrs Elpi Petraki
- President WISTA Cyprus, Mrs Natalia Bury Loyal

10:15 – 10:30 Keynote Address
IMO Secretary General, Mr Arsenio Dominguez

10:30 – 11:15 Keynote Address

11:15 – 11:45 Networking Coffee Break

11:45 – 12:30 Panel Discussion
Innovative Horizons: Pioneering Technologies Transforming the Maritime and Trade Industries

12:30 – 13:15 Panel Discussion
Sea of Change: The Impact of Socioeconomic Turmoil and International Regulations on Innovation in Maritime and Trade

13:15 – 14:15 Networking Lunch Break

14:15 – 14:30 Diamond Sponsor Address

14:30 – 15:15 Panel Discussion
Financing the Future: Navigating the Energy and Technology Transition in maritime.



15:15 – 15:30	Networking Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:15	Panel Discussion Anchoring Global Maritime and Trade Excellence. The Human Element at the Heart of Innovation.
16:15 – 17:15	Closing Remarks and Close of Conference
20:00 – 00:00	Gala Dinner at Amathus Beach Hotel Gardens (Dress Code: Cocktail Wear)

Friday 11 October 2024:

09:00 – 09:30 Registrations and transport to Workshop locations. Amathus Hotel

09:30 – 12:00 Parallel Workshop Sessions

Workshop 1: Crafting the Future: Building an Innovation Ecosystem in Maritime to Propel the Global Supply Chain.

This workshop aims to discuss how to develop and maintain an innovation ecosystem within the maritime and trading sector that can propel the industry forward and enhance its role in the global supply chain. Through targeted discussions, expert insights, and collaborative strategies, participants will explore ways to foster innovation that aligns with industry needs and regulatory frameworks.

Location: Amathus Beach Hotel

Workshop 2: The role of innovation in creating efficient global supply chains. The Transformation of Limassol Port.

This workshop is structured to offer a comprehensive view of the pivotal role that innovation plays in modernizing ports and enhancing their role in global supply chains. Through interactive discussions, presentations, and the case study of Limassol Port, participants will gain a thorough understanding of both the challenges and opportunities in the field. The workshop will be concluded with a tour of Limassol Port.

Location: Limassol Port (Transport will be provided. Departure from Amathus Hotel Lobby at 09:10am)

Workshop 3: Building a Sustainable Maritime Workforce through Training.

This workshop aims to explore the critical role of maritime training in fostering a sustainable and resilient maritime workforce. As the maritime industry faces evolving challenges such as environmental sustainability, technological advancements, and regulatory changes, there is a pressing need to enhance the skills and knowledge of maritime professionals. The workshop will be concluded with a tour of the BSM MTC.

Location: BSM Maritime Training Centre (Transport will be provided. Departure from Amathus Hotel Lobby at 09:10am)

12:00 – 13:00 Return to Amathus Hotel and Light Lunch

13:00 – 19:00 Excursions (further details will be provided)

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