

European Tugowners Association



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ETA 2nd Autumn Conference "Business models for the future"

ETA will hold its 2nd Autumn conference in the morning of the 7th of November in Rotterdam, within the context of the Europort 2019 Exhibition and Conference. The event's venue will be Rotterdam Ahoy (Ahoyweg 10 3084 BA Rotterdam).

The event will bring together ETA members to discuss smart business. The scope will be to look into what the thriving business models for the future will be. The panellists will take a look at other business models in parallel sectors that have proven to be successful, in order to learn lessons from these scenarios.

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Part of the conference shall also be dedicated at looking into the economic impact the Tug sector is having in the European economy in general and also what the trends indicate.

The conference will be followed by a stand-up meal at the venue.

Interested participants are required to register by sending an email to registration@eurotugowners.com.

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3 new companies join the European Tugowners Association

ETA membership keeps on growing with the addition of three new members, reaching the number of 90 members.

Lyboussakis Tugs is a family owned business with 40 years history. The firm delivers a full range of services including ship-to-ship/ship-to-shore cargo transfer or wreck removal. Megatugs Group, operates in the two busiest and most important Greek ports, Piraeus and Thessaloniki. The company owns one of the largest and most modern fleets of tugboats in Greece.

Louis Meyer is one of the oldest towage companies in Germany. Established in 1907, the firm is nowadays part of the EKOSS group.



ETA Secretariat participates in a EC sponsored workshop on cybersecurity

The European Commission (EC) organised a workshop on cybersecurity in the maritime sector as part of the Stakeholders Advisory Group on Maritime Security (SAGMAS) efforts to exchange good practice on maritime safety and security.

The workshop focused on the current state of the Security of Network and Information Systems Directive and the Cybersecurity Act implementation process. The workshop was

followed by the 56th SAGMAS meeting in which the EC and EU Council representatives outlined the incipient plans to develop a European "coordinated maritime presence" in hot areas where maritime security is put at risk by piracy or armed conflicts.

IMO dedicates World Maritime Day to empowering women in the maritime sector



INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION IMO is dedicating its World Maritime Day (26 of September) to raise awareness on the importance of gender equality and to highlight the relevant contribution of women within the maritime sector.

With the motto "Empowering Women in the Maritime Community", IMO wants to combat the gender-based stereotypes affecting the shipping industry that refrain many women from pursuing a career in the sector.

Next events

7-9 October 5-8 November 7 November

Digital Transport Days Helsinki

Europort Rotterdam ETA 2nd Autumn Conference Rotterdam

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