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## Moderator and Speaker Biographies

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**Mr. Kostas Karamanlis**

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**Minister, Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, Greece**



Kostas Karamanlis was born in Athens in 1974.

He has studied History and Economics at Hamilton College and earned an MA in Law and Diplomacy from the Fletcher School of Tufts University.

In January 2015 Kostas Karamanalis was elected to parliament with the party of New Democracy, and was re-elected in September 2015 and in July 2019.

From January 2016 since June 2019 he was the shadow minister of the New Democracy Party for Infrastructure and Transport. After the 2019 election, Mr Karamanlis was appointed Minister for Infrastructure and Transport in the Cabinet of Kyriakos Mitsotakis.

Before getting into politics, he worked from 2002 until 2004 in London for the UBS Warburg Bank. In 2004 he returned to Greece and started working as a chief executive at Mantinia Shipping Company.

He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the “Konstantinos G. Karamanlis” Foundation and of the Board of Overseers of the Fletcher School.

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**Mr. Costis Stambolis**

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**Chairman and Executive Director, IENE, Greece**



Costis Stambolis who is the Executive Director of IENE, has a background in Physics and Architecture having studied at the University of London, the North East London Polytechnic (NELP) and the Architectural Association in London from where he holds a Graduate Diploma in Architecture and Energy Studies (AA Dip. Grad). He also holds a professional practice license from the Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE), and a Masters Degree from the Said Business School, University of Oxford, where he studied "Strategy and Innovation".

Costis has carried out numerous studies and projects on Renewable Energy Sources in developing countries. He has consulted widely on solar building applications for both private and institutional clients in various European countries. He has worked as a consultant and strategy advisor on natural gas, oil markets and energy security issues for large multinational companies and international organizations.

Costis has lectured widely on energy issues and has organised several national, regional and international conferences, seminars and workshops. He has pursued a parallel career as a specialized technical writer as for many years he was Athens correspondent for the Financial Times Newsletters and the Athens Daily "Kathimerini". He coordinated the introduction of the highly successful joint FTSE/ASE-20 index in the Athens Stock Exchange (1997/1998). He has edited several books, conference proceedings and has published many research papers and studies on energy policy, solar energy, RES and energy markets. "The Greek Energy Directory" (1984, 2016), "The Greek Energy Market" (2001) and the "S.E. Europe Energy Outlook 2011" and "SEE Energy Outlook 2017", all edited by Costis, are considered basic references on energy policy in Greece and SE Europe.

Since 2001 he supervises and edits daily Greece's foremost energy site [www.energia.gr](http://www.energia.gr). He is a founding member of the Institute of Energy for South East Europe (IENE), where he was elected twice as its Chairman (2003, 2005). He is a member of the Energy Institute (UK), the International Passive House Association (IPHA), The Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE) and the Chartered Institute of Journalists (UK).

## **Ms. Liana Gouta**

**Group Director Energy Policy & International Affairs, Hellenic Petroleum, Greece**



Liana is the Group Director of Energy Policy & International Affairs at HELLENIC PETROLEUM Group of Companies, and alternate Board member of the European Petroleum Refiners Association, with many years of ample experience in several Managerial positions in the petrochemical industry, such as Energy Policy, Change Management, Operations & Process Design, Product Development, Industrial Safety, Health and Environment and Quality Management. Board member of

HELPE Kyparissiakos Gulf SA.

Chairwoman of Downstream Committee at IENE, Institute of Energy for South - East Europe.

Parliamentary Advisor in European Parliament, on Industry, Energy, Environment & Regional Development (2005-2007).

President of Constantinos Karamanlis Institute for Democracy-Northern Greece Branch (2009-2011).

Invited by the US State Department to represent Greece in the "International Visitor Leadership Programme" (IVLP), in a group of 10 Environmental Policy makers in the

EU on “Development of Green Technologies and Policies in the post-Carbon Age”, 2009.

Vice-President and Secretary-General of the Hellenic Association of Chemical Engineers (2005-2007).

President of Women’s Organization of Managers & Entrepreneurs, Hellenic Management Association-Macedonia Branch (2011-2017).

Honored to be selected as one of the nine Greek women presented in the “Women Changing Greece” mini-documentary series of the US Embassy Athens and Huffington Post on the occasion of International Women’s Day 2017, under the US State Department’s global campaign #BeBoldForChange.

Awarded by the Google Developers Group and the Women Techmakers Greece (global Google’s initiative) for her support and contribution to have more Women in Technology, 2018.

Speaker in numerous conferences with more, than 300 articles and interviews on Energy, Environment, Growth & Competitiveness, Entrepreneurship, Women Empowerment.

She holds a Chemical Engineering Degree, MSc, with Honors (valedictorian), while she had many academic distinctions during her studies.

Married, mother of two children.

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### **Prof. Pantelis Capros**

**Professor of Energy Economics, National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), Scientific Coordinator, E3Modelling and Chairman of IENE’s Scientific Council, Greece**



**Pantelis Capros** is Professor of Energy Economics and Operational Research at the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA). He was the first President of the Energy Regulatory Authority of Greece (2000-2004) and a member of the BoD of PPC (Public Power Corporation, Greece) for five years (1995-2000).

He is specialised in energy, transport and economic modelling, energy forecasting and planning, econometrics, integrated assessment modelling, software engineering and databases. He has built and used a variety of large-scale mathematical models maintained for several countries. He provides high-level consultancy services to the European Commission, EU governmental offices and several energy companies.

He has over 30 years of professional experience in the areas of energy, transport, environment and economic policy and more than 150 publications in international scientific journals.

Prof. Pantelis Capros holds an engineering degree from NTUA, three DEAs in Economics, Informatics and Operations Research from ENSAE – INSTN and the University of Dauphine, Paris, and a Doctorat d’Etat in Mathematical Economics from University Pierre et Marie Curie, Paris.

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### **Mr. Koen Coppenholle**

**Chief Executive, CEMBUREAU, representing the Alliance of Energy Intensive Industries, Brussels, Belgium**



**Koen Coppenholle** is Chief Executive of the European Cement Association (CEMBUREAU) since 1 July 2012. Before joining CEMBUREAU, Koen was Head of European Affairs for ArcelorMittal in Brussels. Between September 2000 and November 2007, he was Senior Counsel European Affairs with General Electric EMEA in Brussels. Koen was Senior Associate with the law firm Linklaters De Bandt in Brussels (1995-2000), worked as a “*référéndaire*” in the cabinet of the Dutch Judge P.J.G. Kapteyn at the European Court of Justice from 1992 to 1995 and was teaching European law at the University of Leuven before that period.

Koen graduated “*magna cum laude*” at the Law Faculty of Leuven University in 1988 and holds an LL.M. degree from Harvard Law School (1990). He is author of various publications on European Community law and a regular speaker at conferences.

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### **Dr. Leo Drollas**

**Independent Energy Consultant, London, UK**



A cum laude graduate of Athens College, Leo Drollas attended the London School of Economics where he gained his B.Sc. (Econ) and M.Sc. (Econ), and completed a doctorate. After leaving the LSE in 1975, Leo Drollas worked in London at the Commodities Research Unit and then joined British Petroleum in 1977 as the company’s first econometrician. At BP he managed the energy and economic modelling team in the company’s Corporate Planning Department (1980-86) and was responsible for many studies on various aspects of the oil market. Whilst at BP, Leo Drollas was seconded for two years to the Confederation of British Industry (1986-88), where he held the post of Deputy Director of Economics. In 1989 Leo Drollas joined as its Chief Economist the Centre

for Global Energy Studies (CGES), a think-tank founded in that year by Sheikh Yamani, the former Oil Minister of Saudi Arabia.

Leo Drollas was the Deputy Director and Chief Economist at the CGES from 1989 until 2011, becoming in that year the CGES' Director. During his time at the CGES, which ceased formal operations in January 2014, Leo dealt with many diverse subjects in the oil and gas sphere. Over a career spanning 41 years, Leo Drollas has written many articles and studies on oil, energy and economics in general, and co-authored "Oil – the Devil's Gold" with Jon Greenman. He has spoken at numerous conferences all over the world and has appeared frequently on TV and radio programmes and been quoted regularly on the main wire services and leading financial newspapers.

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### **Mr. John Cooper**

**General Director, FuelsEurope, Brussels, Belgium**



John Cooper was appointed Director General, FuelsEurope and Concawe in April 2015. He started his career in the motor industry working on future powertrains, and after 3 years moved to BP Downstream where he has 27 years of experience. His previous role was as Director, Renewables Strategy Downstream, leading BP's commercial compliance strategy for renewables regulation. He has also had business leadership roles in aviation fuels and lubricants, transport energy policy, and fuels technology, in the UK and USA, and has represented the UK fuels industry at the UK Automotive Council Technology Group. He holds a BA in Engineering from Cambridge University.

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### **Mr Harris Floudopoulos**

**Journalist, Capital.gr, Greece**



Harris Floudopoulos has more than 15 years of experience in business reporting, specializing in the energy, industry and shipping sectors. He currently works for Capital.gr and newspaper Kefalaio. He is a graduate of Communication and Mass Media School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (1997). Harris started working as a journalist during his studies (1995) in newspaper Eleftheros. He joined Capital.gr in October 2006, a few months after its launch and since then he covers the energy, heavy industry and shipping markets. Since November 2009, he has joined the print version of Capital.gr, newspaper Kefalaio that was launched at the time. He often contributes articles to energy portals and other sectoral media. In 2014 -2015 Harris was chief press officer in the Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (Minister Kostas Skrekas). He speaks Greek and English and is married with 2 children.

#### **Experience**

- Newspapers: Eleftheros, Express, Isotimia, Veto, Kefalaio
- TV Channels: Extra Channel, Athina TV, TV Peiraias



- Radios: Orange, Profit
- Portals: Capital.gr

### **Education**

- Bachelor in Communication and Mass Media School, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- Certificate in Public Relations and Management, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

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### **Mr Peter Mather**

#### **Chairman of BP Europe, BP UK, UK**



Peter is Chairman of BP Europe, BP UK and BP Exploration Operating Company. He is accountable for the governance, reputation, and integration of all bp's European activities.

He has worked in trading, refining, shipping, upstream gas, B2B marketing, corporate strategy, and power – in London, New York, Paris and Brussels.

He sits on the Boards of Fuels Europe, ICC UK, is an Honorary Director of the Royal Opera House, sits on the British Museum Chairman's Advisory Group, the CBI President's Committee, and is a Director of the BP Pension Fund.

Peter has an MA (Oxford), an MBA (INSEAD) and an Honorary Fellowship (King's London).

He is married with three children, and his interests cover the arts and most sports, from tennis to triathlons.

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### **Mr. George Alexopoulos**

#### **General Manager Group Strategic Planning & New Activities, Executive Member of the BOD, Hellenic Petroleum, Greece**



General Manager Group Strategic Planning and New Activities at Hellenic Petroleum and Executive member of its Board of Directors.

He is responsible for strategic planning, new business development, the Group's gas & power, renewables, upstream and engineering businesses, and the Group's representation in international organizations. He has represented Hellenic Petroleum on the Board of the European Petroleum Refiners Association as a Principal or Alternate Director since 2012. He joined Hellenic Petroleum in 2007.



George Alexopoulos was Director of Business Planning & Development at an international, diversified business group (SETE S.A.), based in Geneva, Switzerland, from 1998 to 2006, while at the same time being responsible for the Group's energy portfolio.

He had previously worked in various technical and business development positions at Stone & Webster, Molten Metal Technology, Merck, Dow Corning, and Dow Chemical in the United States between 1993 and 1997.

He holds an MBA from Harvard Business School (1998) and M. Sc. (1993) and B. Sc. (1992) degrees in Chemical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

He is married to Elizabeth Spada and they have 3 children.

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### **Mr. Victor Papaconstantinou**

**General Manager of Strategic Planning and Development, Motor Oil, Greece**



Victor Papaconstantinou is General Manager in charge of Strategic Planning and Development of Motor Oil Hellas. His envelope of responsibility currently includes managing Motor Oil's active expansion in new energy markets, such as renewable fuels, renewable power and hydrogen. He was born in 1969 and holds a Degree in Chemical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens and an MBA (Distinction) from Warwick Business School. He is a Fellow in the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a member of the Technical and Economic Chambers of Greece. Over a period of more than 25 years, he has held several senior and top managerial positions in energy, industrial and consulting companies.

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### **Dr. Nikolaos Liapis**

**Chief Operation Officer, ELINOIL, Greece**



Dr. Nikolaos Liapis is a Mechanical Engineer, MEng NTUA and he holds a PhD in Chemical Engineering. His main areas of specialization are fuels and lubricants, tanker ships management, logistics and biofuels, as he has worked for more than 25 years in managerial positions in the Oil Sector. The last 15 years he was occupied as Supply and Operation Director in an oil distribution company and as General Manager to an affiliate shipping company, operating small tankers.

He is highly experienced in project management, being in charge of projects as biodiesel production plant design and construction, fuel depots renovation, fuel tanks construction and tanker design and construction.

Dr. Liapis is a coordinator and a member of committees of the Hellenic Petroleum Marketing Companies Association (SEEPE). He is a founding member of the Greek Association of Biofuel Producers (now SVIVE), Member of the Board of Hellenic Shortsea Shipowners Association (HSSA), Member of the Board of Hellenic Institute of Marine Technology (HIMT), member of the Downstream Committee of South Est Europ Energy Institute (IENE) and member of the Lloyd's Register Technical Committee. He Has been Chairman of the Steering Committee of the Marine LNG Network and of the Biofuels Technology Platform.

He is a lecturer at University of Piraeus, teaching Energy Policies and has been a lecturer at Athens Metropolitan College teaching Shipping and Strategic Management. He was a speaker at a significant number of conferences on energy, fuels, biofuels and shipping and he has been the representative of the European Biodiesel Board (EBB) in Greece.

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### **Mr. Nikos Kontaroudis**

**A' Vice-Chair, Hellenic Capital Markets Commission (HCMC), Greece**



Mr. Nikos Kontaroudis has been working in the Greek financial sector since 1993. He has held positions in banks and brokerage houses, trading departments as well as in top management. He has been core member of one of the first five teams to launch the Greek Derivatives Market in the Athens Exchange. Since then he has been directly or indirectly participating in the market making operations in

the Greek market.

Mr. Kontaroudis holds a BEng. and an MSc. In Mechanical Engineering from Imperial College and Stanford University respectively. He has completed the Accelerated Development Program from University of Chicago, Booth School of Business. He also holds the certificate in quantitative finance (CQF) and more recently he has obtained the Cryptocurrency and Disruption Certificate from London School of Economics.

## Mr. Christodoulos (Christos) Dimas

Member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of IENE's Geopolitics Committee, IENE, Greece



- Topographer (1972) & Civil Engineer (1974), National Technical University of Athens
- He has managed major projects on Energy, Industry & Infrastructure (Europe, Saudi Arabia, Russia). He was a senior executive and Board member in various businesses and organizations (Petrola Hellas, Petrola International, Hellenic Petroleum, Helpe - Thraki, Trans Balkan, Construction companies, etc.)
- Christos Dimas represented the Greek Ministry of Development for international energy issues and participated in international conferences with presentations on the transport of oil and gas from Russia, Central Asia and the Caspian Sea to the International Markets

Among others he has held the Following positions:

- Refinery Project Manager (Petrola Hellas)
- Project Manager of Latsis Group in Greece
- He was the General Technical Director of TBP B.V. (Burgas -Alexandroupolis Oil Pipeline)
- He was the General Director of TBP B.V. (Burgas -Alexandroupolis Oil Pipeline) and Chief Executive Officer of TBP B.V. – Greece and General Manager of Helpe-Thraki SA.
- President of the Hellenic-Russian Chamber of Commerce (2011-2017).
- He was member of the International Council of the Russian Industry Organization (RSPP) in Moscow
- President of the EPEE Strategic Council in Moscow with members: Russia's Federal Chamber of Industry, Russia's Federation of Russian Industries (RSPP), Russian Academy (energy sector), Russia's Agency for Strategic Initiatives, Federation of Russian Construction Companies, the Federation of the Russian Pharmaceutical Industry,
- Founding Member and Partner of [Institute of for Energy South East Europe \(IENE\)](#)
- Chairman of the Geopolitics & Energy Committee of the [Institute of Energy for SE Europe \(IENE\)](#)

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**Ms. Cécile Nourigat**

**Secretary General at UPEI - the Voice of Europe's Independent Fuel Suppliers, Brussels, Belgium**



Ms Cécile Nourigat is UPEI Secretary General since December 2018.

Cécile Nourigat has 10 years' experience working in public affairs in Brussels and brings extensive knowledge of the energy and transport sectors.

Prior to joining UPEI, she worked as public affairs manager for the European and World LPG Associations, as well as in a public affairs consultancy in Brussels, running advocacy and communication campaigns on a variety of issues linked to the European Union environment, climate and energy policy.

Cécile holds a post-graduate degree from the College of Europe in Bruges (Belgium) and also obtained a Master's degree in political science in France.

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**Mr. John Aligizakis**

**Chairman, Hellenic Association of Oil Marketing Companies (SEEPE) & CEO of ELINOIL S.A., Greece**



Mr. Aligizakis is a Political Sciences and Law graduate and holds a master's degree in Marketing and Management. He has been working at ELINOIL since 1975. In October 2006 he assumed the position of Chief Executive Officer while also keeping the post of Domestic Market Sales Manager. He is also actively involved in general petroleum sector issues as a long-standing member of the Hellenic Petroleum Marketing Companies Association (SEEPE). He has been a member of the Association's Board of Directors since 2007 and was appointed president in 2015 to present.

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## Mr. Jorgo Chatzimarkakis

**Secretary General, Hydrogen Europe, Brussels, Belgium**



Jorgo Chatzimarkakis is Secretary General of Hydrogen Europe since 2016. Before he was Representative of Infineon Technologies in Brussels and Member of the European Parliament (2004 – 2014) inter alia in the ITRE Committee (Industry, Technology, Research and Energy) where he could contribute to lay the cornerstone for the first and the second Joint Undertaking on hydrogen and fuel cells. In 2007 he was elected “MEP of the year” by his colleagues of the European Parliament in the category “Research and Innovation”. In 2015 he was appointed ambassador at large for Greece.

Mr Chatzimarkakis was born in Duisburg, Germany. He holds German and Greek nationality, a degree in political science from the University of Bonn.

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## Mr. Oscar Sastron

**Low Carbon Fuels Leader, REPSOL, Spain**



He has been working for Repsol since 1996. He started his career in the LPG business, where he developed the piped propane business for whole municipalities and contributed to the inception of Autogas as an alternative fuel.

With management experience in areas such as engineering, industrial safety, procurement, IT, customer intelligence and innovation, in 2016 he joined the Refining Division where he actually leads the Scope 3 initiatives within the Transformation Direction.

Winner of awards for innovation and entrepreneurship projects he has a background as Industrial Engineer, and executive education in ESADE Business School.

## Ms. Johanna Atzmannstorfer

**Head of Brussels Office International & Governmental Relations, OMV, Brussels, Belgium**



Having graduated in Diploma Studies History at the University of Vienna in 2009, Johanna Atzmannstorfer started her career in the Knowledge and Intelligence Management Department of the internationally active Austrian Law Firm Wolf Theiss. In 2011 she joined OMV AG's Corporate Compliance Department, being responsible for the internal training program as well as the tasks regarding the Austrian capital market law obligations. In July 2013 Johanna Atzmannstorfer joined the Vienna Office of the International & Governmental Relations (IGR) Department of OMV, where she focused mainly on climate change related topics such as the EU ETS, Renewable Energy, etc. In September 2017, she was promoted Head of the IGR Vienna Office, being responsible for public affairs activities in particular related to national Downstream-Oil and international Upstream topics. In April 2019 she took over the position of IGR Head of Brussels Office, in which Johanna is since then managing the EU related public affairs and regulatory issues for all OMV business units.

## Mr. Dimitrios Fafalios

**Chairman of Maritime Safety & Marine Environment Protection, Union of Greek Shipowners (UGS) & Chairman, International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO), President / Director Fafalios Shipping S.A., Greece**



Dimitrios Fafalios serves as President/Director of Fafalios Shipping S.A. since 2008. This is a traditional shipping company in the dry bulk sector.

From 1984 to 2008, Mr. Fafalios has held various positions in Fafalios Ltd. London, including Technical manager, Technical Director with responsibilities for vessel Maintenance, Newbuildings, S&P, and Technical support for Chartering, Insurance, Post-Fixture and other departments. He has worked closely with many of the major classification societies and international shipping organisations for rule development and implementation.

Mr. Fafalios has been elected Chairman of Intercargo since January 2019 having been Chairman of its Technical Committee since 2009 and one of the first members of the Technical Committee since 1999.

Since 2009, Mr. Fafalios has been working closely with the Union of Greek Shipowners (UGS) as an alternate Board Member and in a technical capacity.

From 2015 he became a member of the UGS Board of Directors and in 2018 he was elected as Chairman of the UGS Technical Committee (Maritime Safety and Marine Environment Protection Committee).

Mr. Fafalios holds senior positions on **ABS, DNV-GL, HCS, ICS, INTERCARGO, LR, NK** and **UGS** committees. Mr. Fafalios has attended IMO on behalf of the Hellenic Republic.

Mr. Fafalios received his B.S.c in Naval Architecture and Ship Building Newcastle upon Tyne University in 1980 and M.S.c in Ocean Systems Management from MIT in 1982.

### **Dr. George Pateras**

**President of the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping, & Deputy Chairman of Contships Management Inc. Greece**



George D. Pateras, born in London, UK and the father of 3 adult children, is the Deputy Chairman, Contships Management Inc. and since 2016 the Chairman of the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping.

He Studied Engineering and Economics and holds a BSc in Marine Engineering from Newcastle University, MS in Marine Engineering and Naval Architecture from MIT and a PhD from Plymouth University.

He is a Board member of the Hellenic War Risks Association and the Bahamas Shipowners Association, Chairman of the Hellenic Shipping War Risks Insurance S.A., Vice Chairman, NATO, PBOS now TG(OS) (2000-) and permanent advisor (AMSCC) of the Hellenic Ministry of Defense.

Dr. Pateras has also served as the Chairman of the Bahamas Shipowners' Association (2011-2015) and as a Board member of the Hellenic Seamen's Pension Fund (1984- 1993), Olympic Aviation (1991-1993), the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping (1986-2015), the Union of Greek Shipowners (1983-2004), HELMEPA (1996-1998), the BSA representative on International Chamber of Shipping (2011-2015) and Managing Director of Aegeus Shipping S.A. (1981-2018)



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**Mr. George Govatzidakis**

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**Network Planning & Development Director, Aeronautical Engineer**

**Aegean Airlines, Greece**



George heads the Network Planning & Scheduling Department of Aegean Airlines. He also administers various emissions related programs such as ETS and CORSIA. Previously he held the role of program manager for the Entry into Service of the new Airbus-neo family. He also worked in the E-commerce Department of Aegean Airlines. George joined Aegean Airlines in 2009 and has more than 25 years experience in the aviation industry. He earned a Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Mechanical Engineering from Brown University and a Master of Science (MSc) in Aeronautical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

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**Mr. Jonathan Wood**

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**Vice-President Europe-Aspac, Renewable Aviation, NESTE, Netherlands**



Jonathan leads Neste's Renewable Aviation business for the Europe/Middle East/Africa and Aspac regions. Jonathan is responsible for all commercial and operational activities relating to the supply and sale of Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and related services, as well as investments and business development. Jonathan is also responsible for the engagement with government authorities and policy makers on regulatory matters, to help accelerate the growth of the

SAF market and support the aviation industry on its path to reduce emissions.

Prior to joining Neste, Jonathan gained 30 years of experience in the energy industry with bp, in leadership positions and as a director of various subsidiaries and Joint Ventures, responsible for commercial, business development, M&A, strategy, marketing and operations.

Jonathan graduated in Economics from London University, and completed an Executive MBA programme at Harvard Business School.

## Mr. Laurent Maurel

**Senior Vice President European Public Affairs, Total, Brussels, Belgium**



Laurent Maurel brings over 30 years of experience in the energy sector with the Total Group. Prior to taking the lead of Total's European Public Affairs based in Brussels, he was successively Senior Vice President Strategy, Markets and Liquefied Natural Gas for Total Gas & Power in Paris, President & CEO Total E&P Canada based in Calgary, Managing Director Total E&P Angola in Luanda and SVP M&A of Total in Paris. He joined Total in 1987 and held progressively senior roles in various fields of economics, finance, strategy, LNG and negotiation in France, Indonesia and the Middle East. He served as a member of Total's Ethics Committee from 2011 to 2014.

Mr. Maurel graduated from École Polytechnique in Paris, France and from IFP School in Rueil-Malmaison, France. He is also an alumni of the Institut des Hautes Etudes de l'Entreprise, the Oxford Energy Seminar and the Georgetown Leadership Seminar.

## Mr Khurram Gaba

**Policy Planning Executive, EXXONMOBIL, Mechelen, Belgium**



Khurram Gaba is Policy Planning Executive for ExxonMobil Fuels & Lubricants Company. His responsibilities include fuels policy planning for Europe, Middle East and Asia Pacific regions.

Khurram has over 30 years of experience in the Oil, Gas and Petrochemicals Industry. He joined Halliburton in 1983, engaged in North Sea oil and gas field development. In 1990 he joined Exxon, supporting European oil refining operations. Subsequently, he has held technical, managerial, leadership and advisory positions with ExxonMobil, in Research & Engineering, Safety & Operations Integrity, and in Oil Refining and Chemicals Manufacturing. This has involved several international assignments, in support of ExxonMobil's global operations. In 2014 he assumed his current role in Strategy and Planning, based in Brussels.

Khurram is a graduate of Oxford University, where he gained a MA degree in Engineering Science. He also holds an MSc degree in Fluid and Structural Mechanics from Imperial College, London.

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