

WEBINAR LECTURERS



**Frans
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Senior Vetting Manager
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**Christos
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Prior to joining INTERTANKO as Vetting Manager in 2018, Frans was a Council member of INTERTANKO and member of its Vetting Committee. He served as General Manager, DPA and HSEQ Manager in various tanker management companies in Belgium, France and Germany.

Frans sailed as a Master on chemical tankers and holds various advanced qualifications including an MBA in Shipping & Logistics. He has a wealth of experience in vetting and auditing and ascertains a collaborative approach with OCIMF towards the roll-out of the SIRE 2.0 programme.

Christos Metaxas is currently serving as Vetting Manager at INTERTANKO, seconded from Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement (Hellas) SPLLC, where he holds the position of Marine & Vetting Manager. Previously at BSM, he has served as a Marine Superintendent, and has also held positions as a Marine Pilot, Mooring Master and LNG STS Superintendent following a successful seagoing career.

He has a Class One Master Mariner Certificate of Competency and has extensive sailing experience on LNG Carriers, Product and Oil Tankers.

In his role at INTERTANKO, he supports members by providing guidance on Vetting, port state control (PSC) and HSQE related matters, while actively contributing to collaborative initiatives with OCIMF, CDI, and other key industry organizations.

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Anastasios
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Group Vetting &
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Anastasios was born in Chios, Greece. He graduated with honors from the Merchant Marine Academy of Chios and holds a Class A Engineer CoC. He also obtained an MSc in Maritime Management with distinction from the University of the Aegean, Department of Shipping, Trade and Transport.

He joined the Tsakos Group of Companies in 2007 and has been serving as the Group's Vetting & Inspections Manager since 2016. From 2021 to 2023, Anastasios was seconded to INTERTANKO as Vetting Manager, where he focused on the implementation and integration of the SIRE 2.0 program in close collaboration with OCIMF.

He was a principal contributor to INTERTANKO's Seafarers' Practical Guide for SIRE 2.0, published in 2023. In addition to his operational responsibilities, he has contributed authorial and research expertise to publications under the auspices of the World Maritime University. He is the co-author of the first Greek-language textbook on Ship Inspections for Merchant Marine Academies, published by the Eugenides Foundation in October 2024. Anastasios is a lecturer at TEENS (Tsakos Enhanced Education Nautical School) Merchant Marine Academy in Chios and he currently serves as one of the Vice Chairmen of the INTERTANKO Vetting Committee.

Vetting Inspection Awareness

RIDING THE WAVES WITH SIRE 2.0

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