

Preliminary programme Ferry Shipping Summit, Athens 7-8-9 October 2026

Theme: Ferries and Ports - Connecting People and Business

Time	Session	Wednesday 7 October	Description	Where	Moderator
PM		Early arriving delegates 70/80		Hotel Divani Caravel	
19:00		Welcome cocktail	Sponsored by Ferryhopper	CV Distiller, Chatzigianni Mexi 7	
Time	Session	Thursday 8 October	Description	Where	Moderator
8:00		Visit to Port of Piraeus	Meet reception - Bus leaves from Hotel	Hotel Divani Caravel	
9:00		Set-up of exhibition stands	Exhibitors prepare	Hotel Divani Caravel	
10:00		Registration	Delegates arrive and register	Hotel Divani Caravel	
11:45		Lunch	Sponsored by Carus	Hotel Divani Caravel	
13:00		Summit opening	Word of main sponsor, Port of Piraeus - COSCO Giorgios Alexandratos, Chairman Hellenic Chamber of Shipping	Hotel Divani Caravel	Bo-Lennart & Mike
13.30		Solutions for the industry	Telenor Maritime	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
13:45		From Months to Days: How AI Is Changing the Economics of Software	Mikael Egnér - Ferry Systems	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
14:00		Setting the ferry scene	Philippe Holthof - State of the Industry	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
14:15		The AI readiness reality check.What operators actually need before deploying anything	Yiannis Maglaras - Expian	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
14:30		Coffee break	Sponsored by Telenor Maritime	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
15:00		Rethinking Exhaust Gas Treatment in a Tightening Regulatory World	Thomas Bauer - Solvay	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
15:15		Solutions for the industry	Liknoss	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
15:30		Company Presentation Attica group	Attica Group TBN	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
15:40		Wallbid	Evgenios Petoumenos	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
15:45		Panel debate 1 - Ferries - Topics TBN	Panos Dikaïos - Attica group Heidi Flikka - Fjord Line Juan Pablo Molina - Baleària Achille Onorato - Moby Lines	Hotel Divani Caravel	Peder Gellert
16:30		Coffee break	Sponsored by Telenor Maritime	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
17:00		Sailing Smarter: Maximizing Revenue and Efficiency in Ferry Operations	Bent Hansen Executive VP - Mantec	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
17:15		Solutions for the Industry	UM Shipyard	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
17:30		Panel debate 2 - Ferries - Topics TBN	Christophe Mathieu - Brittany Ferries Paul Kyprianou - Grimaldi Group Catja Hjorth - DFDS Kasper Moos - P&O Ferries	Hotel Divani Caravel	Peder Gellert
18:15		Solutions for the Industry	Ebba Mårtensson - Surikat	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
18:30		AI Can't Answer What You Haven't Connected	Erik Arveschoug - Ripple Operations	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
18:45		Ferry Summit Awards	Drink sponsored by Simsonship	Hotel Divani Caravel	Jan-Philip Eckmann
19:45		Coaches to the restaurant leave from hotel		Hotel Divani Caravel	
20:15		Dinner		Marina Yacht Club	
22:15		Coaches return to the hotel			
22:45		Back in hotel		Hotel Divani Caravel	
23:00		Night Cap	Sponsored by Port of Ystad	Roof top Divani Caravel	
Time	Session	Friday 9 October	Description		Moderator
08:00		Coffee	Sponsored by Telenor Maritime	Hotel Divani Caravel	
09:00		Safe ferry crossings: Autonomics CGA's capabilities for COLREG-compliant maneuvering in busy waters	Hans-Christoph Burmeister - Anschütz	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
09:15		Panel Debate 3 - Ferry Ports	Athanasios Porfiris - Port of Igoumenitsa Panagiotis Anastassopoulos - Port of Patras Veronika Leo - Port of Ystad Port of Piraeus	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
10:00		Controlling Complex RoPax Operations in Ports	Mike Karjagin and Hanna Roihuvaara - Weasel Port Solutions	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
10:15		The Gate Is the Bottleneck: Automating the Vehicle Journey from Approach Road to Car Deck	Vedran Leso - Adaptive Recognition Global Services ApS	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
10:30		Coffee Break	Sponsored by Telenor Maritime	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
11:00		Solutions for the Industry	CEO - Certus Online	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
11:15		Energy Efficient Design for a Changing Market	Jan-Erik Räsänen - Foreship by RINA	Hotel Divani Caravel	Ariadne Psimara
11:30		Panel Debate 4 - Short Ferry Routes	Stratis Apergis - Levante Ferries Robert Blažinović - Jadrolinija Theologos Panagiotakis - Fast Ferries Michael Guldmann Petersen - Scandlines TBN	Hotel Divani Caravel	Spiros Paschalis
12:30		Summit ending		Hotel Divani Caravel	
13:00		Walking Lunch		Hotel Divani Caravel	