



Invitation

Maritime Arbitration in Germany – An Introduction

The German Maritime Arbitration Association – short: GMAA - offers the worldwide maritime industry an out-of-court procedure to settle shipping disputes.



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In cooperation with the Finnish law firm Castrén & Snellman the GMAA is delighted to invite you to a seminar introducing GMAA arbitration, to be held on

Tuesday, 5. June 2012, 16:00 h
at the Law office
Castrén & Snellman
Eteläesplanadi 14
00130 Helsinki

What is the background?

No doubt, most of the contracts in the shipping world contain a clause referring disputes to be settled by arbitration in London. But there are alternatives which are worthwhile to be considered. GMAA is one. Arbitration under GMAA Rules is qualified, acknowledged, legally binding, unbiased, fast, efficient and conducted at reasonable and transparent costs. Is GMAA also attractive for the Finnish shipping industry?

Programme

A delegation of the GMAA from Germany will answer this question and give an example how a dispute related to the risk of a vessel being hijacked by pirates is dealt with under the rules of the GMAA.

- 16.00 h** Arrival of Attendees
- 16.15 h** **Welcome Address**
by Mr. Uwe Uusitalo and Mr. Niklas Langenskiöld, Castrén & Snellman
- 16.20 h** **Introduction to the GMAA**
by Jan Wölper, Chairman of the GMAA
- 16.30 h** **Different means of Dispute Resolution**
by Dr. Christoph Hasche, Secretary of the GMAA
- 16.45 h** **Which Arbitration Venue should I choose?**
By Dr. Axel Boës
- 17.00 h** **Drafting a valid Arbitration Clause**
by Esther Mallach
- 17.15 h** **Questions & Answers**
- 17.30 h** **Mock Arbitration**
Members of the GMAA will demonstrate a fictitious arbitration in a role play
- 18.15 h** **Questions & Answers**
- 18.30 h** **Reception & Talks**

Who will come from Germany?

The GMAA-Delegation will consist of seven lawyers: Mr. Jan Wölper (Chairman), Dr. Christoph Hasche (Deputy Chairman and Secretary), Ms Esther Mallach (Treasurer), Dr. Axel Boes, Mr. Carsten Grau and Dr. Nicoletta Kröger.

Who should attend?

The seminar is particularly interesting for shipowners, charterers, operators, brokers, bankers, ship yards, shipping lawyers and marine insurance brokers. You are kindly invited to pass this invitation to any of your contacts who might be interested to attend.

What does it cost?

The event will be free of charge.

Invitation to Reception

The GMAA requests the honour of your presence at a small Reception which will be held subsequent to the seminar at the premises of Castrén & Snellman Oy.

Further information

about maritime arbitration in Germany can be found in the internet at:

www.gmaa.de



If you are interested to attend please complete this form and send it back latest by **Thursday, 31.5.2012** to the following fax number: **+ 358 (0)20 7761 316**. In case of organisational questions please contact Ms Ulla Sommer, phone **+ 358 (0)20 7765 316** or e-mail to ulla.sommer@castrén.fi

Seminar "Maritime Arbitration in Germany – An Introduction ", on 5.6.2012, Helsinki

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