



Press Release

New Era for Alpha Bank Shipping – Yiannis Karamanolis Appointed Chief of Shipping

Alpha Bank announces the appointment of **Yiannis Karamanolis**, a highly experienced executive with over 25 years in shipping finance, as **Chief of Shipping**. With this move, the Bank reaffirms its strategic commitment to significantly strengthening its presence in the shipping sector by offering a comprehensive range of financial services.

Alpha Bank has long played a leading role in supporting Greek shipping, with active financings exceeding \$3.62 billion.

Alpha Bank CEO Vassilios Psaltis stated: “Shipping has always been a timeless symbol of Greece’s extroversion and creativity. For Alpha Bank, this sector represents much more than a field of financing; it is a domain where our Bank has built enduring relationships of trust, consistency, and cooperation with the people who lead Greek shipping to global excellence.

We are delighted to welcome Yiannis back to his professional roots. With him at the helm of Shipping, we strengthen our commitment to actively supporting a sector that embodies the best face of Greece to the world. Yiannis’ arrival marks a bold step forward in our ambition to expand our presence both in the domestic and international markets.

I would like to sincerely thank Konstantinos Sotiriou for his long and successful career in the Shipping Division and for his significant contribution to strengthening the Bank’s relationships with the Greek shipping community.”

Short Biography of Giannis Karamanolis

Yiannis Karamanolis was born in 1969. He holds a degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens and an MSc in Transportation from Cardiff University of Wales.

He brings more than 25 years of experience in shipping finance, having served for many years at BNP Paribas, most recently as Head of Origination, Transportation Europe, Middle East and Africa. He previously worked for international banks with a strong presence in shipping, such as Fortis Bank and ABN AMRO Bank, where he held senior management positions, while he began his career at Alpha Bank.