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ONE DAY – THE ISSUES THAT DECIDE A VOYAGE

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THIS IS WHERE THE HARD QUESTIONS GET ANSWERED.

For one day in Athens, the people who fix, operate, claim and advise on tanker voyages sit in the same room and work through the issues that actually decide a voyage — and move real money. Not theory. Not a wall of slides. Papers presented in person, by practitioners, on the problems you meet at the desk: the price cap you half-understand, the order you are not certain the master can refuse, the demurrage the charterer will not pay, the designation that lands overnight in the middle of a fixture.

Every paper is written to be used. The fifteen papers announced at the release of this conference that are not presented in person will be provided, together with the speakers' papers, in the conference materials sent to all delegates shortly after the conference. You leave Athens with answers you can put to work on Monday — and a room full of the people who wrestle with the same questions you do.

CONFERENCE PARTICULARS

Date	Thursday - 22 October 2026
Hours:	09:30 – 17:00, followed by a drinks reception, 17:00 – 19:00, in the hotel's rooftop garden
Venue:	The Royal Olympic Hotel, Panorama Hall (6th floor), 28-34 Athanasiou Diakou Street, 117 43 Athens
Organised by:	Asdem Ltd, London
Delegate Fee:	€1,400 + VAT (the early-booking rate closed on 10 September)

The night before. On Wednesday 21 October the real conversations start early — over welcome drinks at the rooftop bar of the Royal Olympic Hotel, the Acropolis lit above the gardens. Come and find the people you came to Athens to see.

CONFERENCE DRINKS RECEPTION

All conference delegates are invited to join us for a drinks reception at the Royal Olympic Hotel's rooftop garden, with its spectacular sunset views of Athens. Those unable to attend the conference may purchase tickets at €75 each. Contact us at **info@asdem.com** for full information. To register, **please click here.**

THE SPEAKERS AND THEIR PAPERS

Each paper is presented in person by a practitioner who deals with that problem for a living, and each is followed by questions from the floor.

Despina Malaxianaki, Senior Claims Manager, London P&I Club

THE DEFENSIBLE RECORD: THE FILE THAT STANDS UP WHEN BOTH AN ARBITRATOR AND A REGULATOR REVIEW IT

Theodore Kyritsis, Senior Claims Manager, West of England P&I Club, and **Spyridoula Bompolaki**, Senior Claims Manager, West of England P&I Club

CAN WE STILL GO THERE? REASONABLE JUDGMENT (THE CATALAN SEA) IN A WORLD OF WAR RISKS, SANCTIONS AND CHANGING ORDERS

Matthew Costello, CEO, Voyager Portal

AI ALONG THE DEMURRAGE LIFECYCLE

Alexander Freeman, Partner, Hill Dickinson, with **Iris Vamvaka** and **Katerina Botsini**

APPARENT GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION OF THE CARGO

Eleni Antoniadou, Lawyer, Gard (Greece) Ltd

THE FUEL EU / EU ETS / ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECT

Richard Johnson-Brown, Partner, Penningtons Manches Cooper

ISSUES ARISING FROM THE VOYWAR CLAUSE

Andrew Wilding, Managing Director, Asdem Limited

PROCEED OR HOLD? ORDERS TO SAIL INTO A GULF AT WAR — WHEN THE CHARTERER SAYS PROCEED AND THE MASTER IS NOT SURE HE SHOULD: THE RIGHTS, DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF OWNER, MASTER AND CHARTERER (THE HOUDA)

A tanker loaded at Ras Tanura, or waiting off Fujairah or Sohar to go in, receives the charterer's order to proceed as war breaks out in the Arabian Gulf. What the master must do, what he may refuse, how long he has to decide, and who pays for the delay.

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WHAT YOU WALK AWAY WITH

The confidence to explain the price cap in a sentence and stay the right side of it. A clear answer on when a master can refuse an order — and how to back it. A grip on what the demurrage rate carries, and where the new costs of a voyage now bite. The judgement to read an ownership structure that looks clean but is not. And a record that holds when both an arbitrator and a regulator come looking.

WHO ATTENDS

Chartering and post-fixture managers, operations and claims managers, in-house counsel, P&I and club executives, brokers, arbitrators, traders and heads of compliance — across owners, charterers, trading houses and the professions that serve them.

FEES AND BOOKING

The delegate fee is €1,400 + VAT, and includes all documentation and papers, refreshments, lunch, and the evening drinks reception.

- Early-booking rate — closed on 10 September 2026
- Loyalty rate — 15%: €1,190 + VAT, for Asdem clients and past delegates

- Group rate: €100 per delegate for three or more from one company
- Drinks reception-only ticket: €75

Discounts are not cumulative; the more favourable rate applies. Places are limited. To reserve, write to **info@asdem.com**.

TWO MORE REASONS TO COME EARLY, AND STAY

Deal to Delivery — three days that sharpen the operator's craft. Monday to Wednesday, 19–21 October, 10:00–16:00, at Alba Graduate Business School: a hands-on masterclass in energy trading and tanker shipping, from the trade to the delivered barrel, presented in person by Andrew Wilding and Philip Pollock of Asdem. Run not-for-profit at €625 for the three days, with priority to conference delegates. A separate brochure is available.

Additional Costs — the Friday workshop. Friday 23 October, 10:00–12:30, with lunch. Additional berths, ports, distance, expenses and bunkers: the money that quietly leaks out of every voyage, lost to delay, confusion and dispute. In one focused morning, with worked examples, we make the principles clear — so you claim what is yours and pay only what you owe. **Free to conference delegates; €250 including lunch as a standalone morning.**

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