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- **DNV GL's Maritime Academy Hellas** is offering a three-day seminar that provides participants with the knowledge, understanding and proficiencies as required by the ISPS Code to undertake the tasks, duties and responsibilities as Company Security Officer (CSO) and / or Ship Security Officer (SSO). Practical case studies, exercises and videos are used to illustrate possible measures to comply with the maritime security requirements as laid down in the ISPS Code. Achievement of competencies is assessed by means of a final test. The **September 2, 3, 4** course complied with Imo models and seeks to help development, implementation, maintenance and supervision of Ship Security Plans; the identification of threats and vulnerabilities and assessment of security risks; Present methods for inspection and monitoring of security measures on board ships; Operation, testing and calibration of security equipment and systems; and Enhance security awareness and vigilance of company staff (ship and shore). Cost is Euro 950 and registration deadline is **August 25**. Further information: Germanischer Lloyd Survey (Hellas) MEPE, Marina Papaioannou, Maritime Academy Hellas, DNV GL - Maritime Tel: 210 4291 685 E-mail: marina.papaioannou@dnvgl.com
- **The Fraternity of the Athenian Hydriots** is staging the 6th Hydra Shipping Conference on **September 6** under the title: US Markets & Greek Shipping: Challenges and Opportunities for Investors and Shipowners. The event to be held on the island of Hydra will feature a combination of presentations and interactive panel discussions with focus on capital markets, private equity providers, bank lenders, insurance, security, safety and quality of shipping services. **September 7** will feature a number of side events in a friendly and relaxed atmosphere such as lunches, dinners, cocktail parties on private yachts and a unique treasure hunt in the streets of Hydra Town. Further information: Katerina Panoussi, md, All About Events Tel: 210 6043 503 skype: katerina.panoussi73 www.allaboutevents.gr
- **Malta Maritime Careers Day** will bring together the international entities **ICOMIA** (International Council of Marine Industry Associations), **SNAME** (The Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers) and the **International Maritime Law Institute** to discuss and encourage the improvement in academic and practical training for the common benefit of students interested in the maritime industry in general and Malta's economic sustainability. A primary aim of the event is to increase visibility among students and parents of the career opportunities in shipping. To be held at the Malta's Grand Hotel Excelsior, **September 4**, the event is being hosted by Wilfred Sultana & Associates publishers of Yachting in Malta. The event will be addressed by Malta's minister for Transport and Infrastructure, **Joe Mizzi**, and Education and Employment minister, **Evarist Bartolo**. SNAME's featured speaker will be **Petros Lalangas**, manager of SNAME's European Regional Office. Further information: Wilfred Sultana & Associates Tel: (+356) 2131 4956 E-mail: wilfred.sultana@anatlus.com
- **Chios Marine Club** is organising a 'Ballast Water Management Systems' get-together, **October 21**, with the aim of participants exchanging experiences after presentations by a selection of established equipment manufacturers. With the BWM convention now ratified by 40 Imo member states representing about 30% of the world merchant tonnage, the target of 35% for the convention to enter into force is near. The event will commence at 18:00 and will end at 21:00 in Metropolitan Hotel. Participation is free. Further information: Tel: 210 4185 788 E-mail: info@chiosmarineclub.gr