





Programme

Webinar on COVID-19 and Maritime Transport: Disruption and Resilience in Asia

4 March 2021

8:30 – 11:00 hrs (Geneva); 9:30 – 12:00 hrs (Beirut); 14:30 – 17:00 hrs (Bangkok)

The webinar will discuss the following topics from both the global and regional perspectives:

- Impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on maritime transport and challenges faced
- Response measures and coping strategies introduced by government and industry stakeholders
- Lessons learned and good practices
- Future proofing the maritime transport and the resilience building imperative

08:30-08:50: Introduction and welcoming remarks

- Ms. Frida Youssef, Chief, Transport Section, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD
- Ms. Azhar Jaimurzina, Chief, Transport Connectivity and Logistics Section, Transport Division, UNESCAP
- Mr. Adel Alghaberi, First Economic Affairs Officer, Shared Economic Prosperity Cluster, UNESCWA

08:50-10:00: COVID-19 and Maritime Transport: Disruptions and Resilience in UNESCAP region

- Mr. Athanasios A. Pallis, Professor, University of the Aegean, Greece (Consultant, UNCTAD) (40 minutes)
 - Discussants
- Mr. Yong-Wong Kim, Head of Team, Korea Port and Harbours Association, Republic of Korea (10 minutes)
- Mr. Ninan Oommen Biju, Sr Port and Maritime Transport Specialist, World Bank Group, Singapore (10 minutes)

Q&As (10 minutes)

10:00-11:00: COVID-19 and Maritime Transport: Disruptions and Resilience in Asian UNESCWA region

- Mr. Athanasios A. Pallis, Professor, University of the Aegean, Greece (Consultant, UNCTAD) (30 minutes)
 - Discussant
- Eng. Mohammad Salman, Director General, Jordan Maritime Commission, Jordan (10 minutes)

Q&As (20 minutes)