

## **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

### **COSTAS TH. KONTES, GENERAL MANAGER – V.SHIPS GREECE Ltd.**

COSTAS KONTES has been working as a General Manager for V.Ships Greece Ltd. since 2016 while he has been previously serving as Business Development Manager for V. Group since 2008. He is responsible for the office in Greece and for operating a large fleet of Container and Bulk Carrier vessels.

Previously he has been working for Iberojet Cruceros. Being responsible for the Marine and Technical operations, Costas has set up the operation in Madrid, Spain for the company later on to expand from 1 to 3 ships and sold to Carnival Corp.

Other positions held previously were with Martinoli SAM in Monaco being involved in the successful initial launching of Oceania Cruises, as well as working for Festival Cruises both onboard their ships and ashore following their newbuilding program in France.

He has a BSc, MSc in Marine Engineering from Newcastle University Upon Tyne and a MSc in Shipping, Trade and Finance from Cass Business School. Later additional qualification was the attendance of Seatrade Cruise Masterclass course and the Executive Leadership Development Course designed for V.Group from Strathclyde Business School while holding the title of the Chartered Engineer from the British Engineering Council.

Costas has served 6 years at the International Propeller Club Port of Piraeus as a governor out of which the last four years served as Secretary General and 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.