



Royal Belgium Association of Marine Insurers,
Trade Association of Insurance Brokers,
Study Circle of Marine Insurance,
Belgium Maritime Law Association,

Have the pleasure to invite you to a colloquium that they jointly organize on **Thursday November 14th, starting at 13:00 in Antwerp**, with the following subject :

“General Average – Ever young or time to move on?”

The subject will be approached from a multidisciplinary angle. The first speaker is a Master who experienced a general average situation first-hand. Capt. Mukesh Yadav will talk about the critical situation that developed on board of his vessel and which eventually resulted in a declaration of general average.

The second speaker, Mr. Thomas Wanckel, will talk about the legal consequences and legal issues with general average.



No general average can be settled without the expertise of a general adjuster. The third speaker, Mr. Andrew Slade, will give an introduction on the practices of a general adjuster. How do they proceed? What does a general adjustment look like?

Finally, the insurers' position in this matter will be considered. How do they respond to a situation of general average? In view of the potentially conflicting interests between cargo and hull interests, Mr. Bart Staes will present the hull insurers' perspective and Mr. Eric De Smet will present the cargo insurers' view.

All speakers have been requested to critically approach their subject. General average is an ancient institute, the roots of which go back at least to the Rhodian seafarers. Since then, the concept has continued to exist and to be applied. Can it be, however, that in these days of ever larger ships and ever more interests involved the concept has finally reached the limits of its viability?



Program :

13u00 - 13u40: Registration/reception

13u40 - 14u15: *'Tsunami – Act of God'*

Capt. Mukesh Yadav: Managing Director at
 Exmar Shipmanagement (office Mumbai)

14u15 - 15u05: *'GA – already off the Expiration Date? Some thoughts
 from a Legal Perspective'*

Mr. Thomas Wanckel: Lawyer, Partner at Segelken &
 Suchopar (Hamburg)

15u05 - 15u35: *Coffee break*

15u35 - 16u25: *'Role of the average adjuster'*

Mr. Andrew Slade: Director – Head of RHL, London /
 Average Adjuster at Richards Hogg Lindley (RHL)

16u25 - 16u50: *'General Average – a Hull Insurance View'*

Mr. Bart Staes: Senior Underwriter Hull at BDM

16u50 - 17u15: *'General Average – a Cargo Insurance View'*

Mr. Eric De Smet: Manager Marine & Transport at
 Baloise Belgium

17u15 - 18u15: Closing drink

Presentations will be held in English with opportunity for Q&A after each presentation.



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des Assureurs Maritimes
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BVT
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van Transportverzekeraars
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Target group : Insurers, brokers, lawyers and experts.

Venue : Bluepoint Antwerp, James Cook room, Filip Williotstraat 9, 2600 Berchem. (www.bluepoint.be)

Entrance: 130,- EUR for each participant. (This price includes documentation, reception and closing drink)

Registration:

Use website: www.abambvt.be (under heading events)

Payment is required upon receipt of the invoice.

Please register before 8 November 2019. Cancelling with refund will be possible until 8 November 2019.

Refresher course points : 3 points

1. FSMA through ABAM BVT (n° 100035).
2. "Orde van Vlaamse Balies" (n°. 2019-00389)

We are convinced that this will prove to be an interesting and instructive afternoon.

Best regards,

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President ABAM BVT

Jef Gorrebeeck
President Study Circle of Marine
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Wouter Van den Daele
President Transport Department
BVVM UPCA

Vincent Fransen
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