

## **OUR VISION**

A SUSTAINABLE WORLD IN WHICH EDUCATION CREATES POSITIVE CHANGE FOR ALL

## **OUR MISSION**

TO ENCOURAGE AND ACTIVELY ASSIST EFFECTIVE EFFORTS TO PREVENT ALL FORMS OF POLLUTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT.

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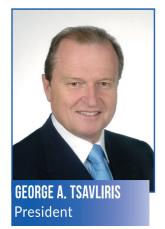












### **Foreword**

The driving force of our Association still remains the voluntary contributions of the Shipping Community, together with the commitment of the local Business Community.

While CYMEPA maintains among its prime targets the enhancement of environmental awareness among seafarers and shipping executives, an ever - increasing spectrum of activities for the land-based population has been created.

Active In the Education and Information of Seafarers and Shipping Executives, CYMEPA is a partner in the Program "METAVASEA - Peoplecentered Transition for Maritime Decarbonization in the East Mediterranean" with HELMEPA, Lloyd's Register Foundation and others.

CYMEPA's Programs of Education for Sustainable Development are those of FEE (Foundation for Environmental Education) which are the Blue Flag for beaches and marinas, Green Key for hotels and restaurants, Young Reporters for the Environment, Learning About Forests and Eco-Schools.

CYMEPA has implemented with childish enthusiasm the Adopt-A-Ship Program which is run in cooperation with the Cyprus Shipping Chamber and has been recognized and imitated internationally.

At the international level, CYMEPA plays a leading role in developing the activities of INTERMEPA that was created in 2006.

Recently, CYMEPA's accreditation as a new UNEP/MAP (Mediterranean Action Plan) Partner has been endorsed at the 23rd Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention. This accreditation reflects our longstanding commitment to the protection of the marine environment.

All these dynamic contributions have only been made possible by the commitment and enthusiasm of our fellow Directors of the Board and of our small but dedicated and hardworking Staff.

On a personal note, I must admit that I have found it a great pleasure to work with such a loyal and dynamic team.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for our team's hard work and dedication in maintaining our Association's commitment, through education and information in prevention of marine pollution and protecting our marine environment.

## Our Work





#### **Seafarers Environmental Education**

CYMEPA works tirelessly to raise awareness by offering training courses to Superintendents and Senior Officers so that they can subsequently act as trainers for other seafarers.

#### Shipping publications

CYMEPA is dedicated to improving the maritime environment and has published manuals intended to raise awareness of environmental issues among seafarers.



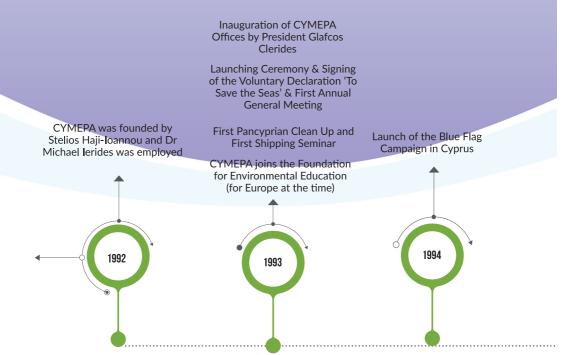
#### Adopt-A-Ship Programme

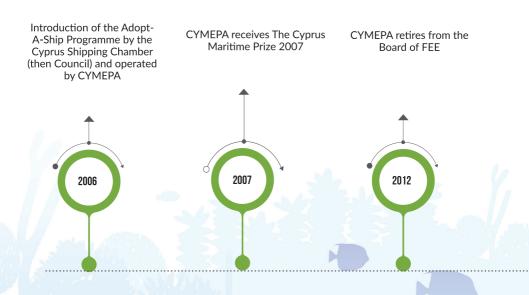
In this voluntary scheme operated jointly with CSC a ship is adopted by a class of a Primary school with the aim of the two parties getting to know each other and maintain weekly contact via email thus giving the children a better and broader understanding of the importance of the shipping industry.

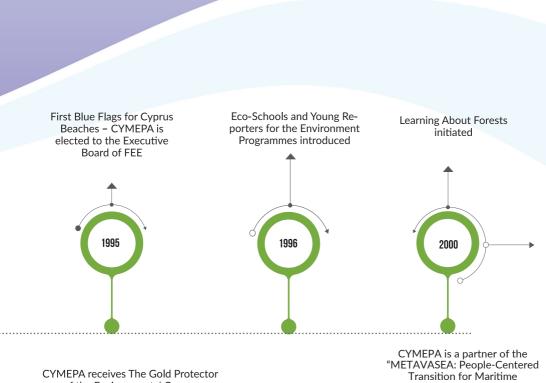


#### **Beach Cleaning**

In 1993, the first large-scale beach-cleaning project was organized involving volunteers who not only cleaned up many beaches but also collected data for scientific analysis. Since then the beach cleaning project became an annual event culminating in 1997 when more than 5000 volunteers cleaned more than 60 beaches. CYMEPA ever since organizes smaller events more frequently as well as underwater events.







CYMEPA receives The Gold Protector of the Environment / Cyprus Environmental Award

CYMEPA President receives the GREEN4SEA / Safety4Sea Leadership Award

CYMEPA and HELMEPA initiate the project "Enhancing the Understanding of New and Enduring Challenges in Maritime Safety Culture in the Eastern Mediterranean", supported by Lloyd's Register Foundation CYMEPA is a partner of the INTERREG Greece - Cyprus Sociocoast Project "METAVASEA: People-Centered Transition for Maritime Decarbonization in the East Mediterranean" Project led by HELMEPA and supported by Lloyd's Register Foundation

CYMEPA is accredited as a new Partner of the Mediterranean Action Plan of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP/MAP), the regional cooperation platform of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention.



# **Education for Sustainable Development**

#### FOUNDATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION (FEE)

CYMEPA as a Full Member of the Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) has undertaken projects like the Blue Flag Campaign, Eco-Schools, Young Reporters for the Environment, Learning About Forests and Green Keys in promoting environmental awareness and sustainability in its home country as well as internationally.













#### **CULTURAL EVENTS**

Since 1995, CYMEPA under the initiative of Clelia Haji-ioannou, has organized cultural events linked to the environment. These initially were Art Exhibitions but in 2001 they took other artistic forms.



Green Offices

Green Offices is an eco-label for offices and buildings and is awarded to facilities that implement and adhere to criteria related to energy and water consumption, waste management and use of environmentally friendly products of personal hygiene and detergents, the quality of food and drinks, development of green areas in open spaces and environmental education.

The national coordinator of Green Offices pilot programme is the environmental organization CYMEPA. The programme is run under the auspices of the Commissioner of the Environment of the Republic of Cyprus.

The adoption of environmentally friendly practices, the reduction of environmental impacts of the business activities but above all, the commitment and dedication of the Staff are the most important factors to receive the Green Offices eco-label.

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