

2013 Conference Programme 25 June Steigenberger Grand Hotel, Brussels

09:00-09.15 SESSION 1:

WELCOME – Robert Ashdown, Secretary General CLIA Europe **KEYNOTE ADDRESS – Manfredi Lefebvre D'Ovidio**, Chairman CLIA Europe and Chairman Silversea Cruises

9.15-10.00 SESSION 2: THE GLOBAL RATIONALISATION OF THE CRUISE INDUSTRY WITHIN A GLOBAL TOURISM INDUSTRY

Chair: Robert Ashdown, Secretary General CLIA Europe

Christine Duffy, President and CEO CLIA Global Dr Michael Frenzel, Chairman WTTC Cruise industry film

10.00-11.00 SESSION 3: THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE GLOBAL CRUISE INDUSTRY IN EUROPE

Chair: Chris Ashcroft, Managing Director Ashcroft & Associates

Michael Thamm, Chief Executive Officer Costa Cruises
Bernard Meyer, Senior Partner Meyer Werft
Manuel Arana, Deputy Director of Planning and Infrastructure Projects, Puertos del Estado
Laurent Monsaingeon, Managing Director French Riviera Ports Authority

11.00-11.30 COFFEE BREAK

11.30 - 12.45 SESSION 4: STATE OF THE CRUISE INDUSTRY

Moderator: Barbara Muckermann, Communications Adviser CLIA Global

Pierfrancesco Vago, CEO MSC Cruises and vice-chairman CLIA Europe **David Dingle**, Chief Executive Officer Carnival UK **Michael Thamm**, Chief Executive Officer Costa Cruises

12.45-14.00 LUNCH

14:00-14:30 SESSION 5: VISA ISSUES

Moderator: Maria Pittordis, Partner Hill Dickinson

Anne-Marie Soerensen, European Commission Visa Unit, DG Home Affairs **Adam Sharp**, Manager Port Operations EMEA RCCL

14.30-15:00 SESSION 6: CLIA EUROPE TRAVEL AGENT TRAINING STRATEGY

Moderator: Didier Scaillet, Vice President Business Development CLIA Global

Michel De Blust, Secretary General ECTAA

15.00-15.30 SESSION 7: ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION

Moderator: Jamie Sweeting, Chairman Sustainable Travel International Elena Višnar Malinovská, Member of Cabinet of DG Environment European Commission Tom Strang, SVP Maritime Development and Compliance Costa Cruises

15.30-16.00 COFFEE BREAK

16.00-16.45 SESSION 8: OPERATIONAL SAFETY

Moderator: Robert Ashdown, Secretary General CLIA Europe

Theresa Crossley, Head of Implementation, European Maritime Safety Agency **Bud Darr**, Vice President of Technical and Regulatory Affairs CLIA Global **Capt. Giancarlo Buono**, Assistant Director Safety and Operations, IATA

16:45-17:45 SESSION 9: CLIA EUROPE AND THE REGULATORS

Chair: Manfredi Lefebvre D'Ovidio, Chairman CLIA Europe and Chairman Silversea Cruises

Pierfrancesco Vago, CEO MSC Cruises and Vice-chairman CLIA Europe
Andy Winbow, Deputy Secretary General International Maritime Organisation
Stephen Hammond MP, UK Secretary of State for Shipping
Brian Simpson MEP, Chairman of the Transport and Tourism Committee, European Parliament
Maximilian Strotmann, Member of Cabinet of Siim Kallas, Vice-President of the European
Commission

17.45 CLIA Europe Chairman to give closing remarks.

**Programme topics, timing and speakers subject to change.

