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# LAYTIME & DEMURRAGE MASTERCLASS

*This masterclass covers principles on laytime and demurrage for both dry and wet trades. The course examines, in a practical way, the application of laytime and demurrage in the daily operations. It covers the key legal concepts and a step-by-step approach to effectively use the knowledge to work strategically with laytime calculations to boost profitability.*

 **TRAINING**

**London**  
5–6 June 2025

## DAY 1

09:00-09:30

**Introduction of BIMCO**

09:30-10:30

**Overview of law and practice**

10:30-11:00

*Break*

11:00-11:45

**Types of laytime**

11:45-12:30

**Case study 1**

12:30-13:30

*Lunch*

13:30-15:00

**Commencement of laytime – legal and contractual principles**

15:00-15:45

**Termination and stoppage of laytime**

15:45-16:15

*Break*

16:15-17:30

**Demurrage and despatch**

## DAY 2

09:00-10:30

**Case study 2**

10:30-11:00

*Break*

11:00-11:45

**Termination and stoppage of demurrage**

11:45-12:45

**Case study 3**

12:45-13:45

*Lunch*

13:45-14:30

**Damages for detention**

14:30-15:30

**Time bar clauses and the commercial usage of laytime and demurrage in non-traditional ways**

15:30-15:45

*Break*

15:45-16:15

**Laytime and demurrage – practical issues and suggestions**

16:15-16:30

**Q&A**

## SPEAKERS



**Baris Soyer**

Professor Soyer is the Director of the Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law at Swansea University ([www.swansea.ac.uk/law/istl](http://www.swansea.ac.uk/law/istl)). He is a member of the British Maritime Law Association and British Insurance Law Association. He is the author of Warranties in Marine Insurance published by Cavendish Publishing (2001), Marine Insurance Fraud published by Informa Publishing and of an extensive list of journal articles published in elite journals such as Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly, Journal of Business Law, Cambridge Law Journal, Edinburgh Law Review, Law Quarterly Review, Torts Law Journal and Journal of Contract Law. He sits on the editorial boards of the Journal of International Maritime Law, Shipping and Trade Law and editorial committee of the Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly (International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook). He currently teaches Admiralty Law, Charter parties: Law and Practice and Marine Insurance on the LLM Programme, and is the Director of Shipping and Trade LLM programmes at Swansea.



**Jean-Paul Dezutter**

Jean-Paul is a former shipbroker, laytime and operations expert who manages laytime and demurrage cases globally. Through Demurrage Desk, he designs tailored contracts and clauses to optimise and mitigate laytime risk. In addition, he provides personalised consultancy services to stakeholders, such as ports, law firms, P&I clubs, technology companies and start-ups, focusing on process analysis and optimization. His work includes designing workflow and process strategies, identifying and mitigating operational risks, facilitating organisational changes, and building resilience in response to the fast-changing maritime industry.

Jean-Paul's expertise mainly focuses on dry shipping, including charter parties (voyage, time, demise), laytime & demurrage and speed & performance claims. He holds certificates in Ship Chartering, Ship Finance, Maritime Disputes & Arbitration and Laytime & Demurrage.

As a CI Arb accredited mediator and supporting member of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association, he advises and assists in the commercial resolution of laytime and demurrage disputes. He also lectures laytime & demurrage and ship operations at various organisations, universities, institutes and forums.

## VENUE

### **The Tower Hotel**

St Katharine's Way, London, UK

## ORGANISER



### **Christian Hoppe**

Christian is BIMCO's General Counsel. He is a lawyer and graduated from the University of Copenhagen with a Master's degree in 2001 and an LL.M. with Distinction from the University of Southampton in 2004. He worked at the Danish Maritime Authority from 2001 until joining the European Commission's Directorate-General for Maritime Transport and Energy in 2005. Christian has been with BIMCO since 2009, providing legal and policy advice inhouse and to members, representing the association at various international meetings and managing a number of contracts and clauses related projects. Christian was seconded to Danish law firm Gorrissen Federspiel from 2017 to 2018 and was admitted to the Danish Bar in February 2019 (practice certificate deposited). From 2022 to 2023, he worked out of BIMCO's Singapore office whilst being part-time seconded to BW Group.

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