

European Maritime Day Stakeholder Conference
Rome 18-20 May 2009

Workshop 1

**An all embracing stakeholder platform for a holistic maritime policy
(19 May, 9.00-10.55)**

Rationale:

The objective of the workshop is to allow key stakeholder organisations to discuss and agree on a Charter for an overall stakeholder platform on integrated maritime policy, starting from the principles of the Venice Platform Initiative¹.

Chair: Johan VANDE LANOTTE, President of the Coastal & Marine Union (EUCC)

Speakers:

Reinhard LÜKEN, Secretary General of the Community of European Shipyards' Associations (CESA)

Monica VERBEEK, Executive Director, Seas at Risk

Xavier GIZARD, Secretary General of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions (CPMR)

Lars HORN, Chairman of the Marine Board Executive Committee, European Science Foundation Marine Board

Stéphane LATXAGUE, Executive Director, Surfrider Foundation Europe

Paul NEMITZ, European Commission, DG Maritime Policy and Fisheries, Head of Unit A1 Maritime Policy Development and Coordination

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¹ http://www.eucc.nl/veniceplatform/Venice_Platform_Declaration.pdf

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Workshop 2

**Raising awareness of common maritime heritage as a cultural pillar of the integrated maritime policy
(19 May 2009 09.00-13.00)**

Rationale:

This workshop refers to the Integrated Maritime Policy Action Plan point 8: Raising the visibility of maritime Europe.

Although no specific action on maritime heritage was foreseen in the Action Plan, the Blue Paper clearly stated that: "[The Integrated Maritime Policy] should also promote Europe's maritime heritage, supporting maritime communities, including port-cities and traditional fisheries communities, their artefacts and traditional skills, and promoting links between them that enhance their knowledge and visibility."

The workshop would also undertake to make a link from maritime heritage to the promotion of local and regional tourism.

Objectives of the workshop:

- Linking the maritime dimension of Europe to the new theme "EDEN destination for its Aquatic Sustainable Tourism Offer".
- The EUROPEAN UNION PRIZE FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE: Examples of maritime heritage prize winners.
- Developing the issue of Europe's maritime industrial heritage.
- Learning Best practice from EU regional projects.
- Establishing maritime cultural heritage in postgraduate education

Chair: Prof. Dr. Jürgen ELVERT, University of Cologne, Faculty of History II

Speakers:

Francesco IANNIELLO, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry

Patrick VERHOEVEN, Secretary General of European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO)

Per JESSING, President of the European Maritime Heritage (EMH)

Martijn MANDERS, *Rijksdienst voor Archeologie, Cultuurlandschappen en Monumenten*, The Netherlands

Manuel María PARÍS-LESTÓN, *Cofradía de Pescadores de Lira*, Spain

Catherine PERPELYTSYA, *Medway Council*, UK

Martin SCICLUNA, *Europa Nostra*

Pierpaolo CAMPOSTRINI, *CORILA Consortium for Managing the Research Activities on the Lagoon of Venice*, Italy

Eric VAN HOOYDONK, *Chairman of Flanders Water Heritage*, Belgium

D. Emmanuel MAGRO CONTI, *Senior Curator Heritage Malta Malta Maritime Museum*

Prof. Dr. Joseph MIFSUD, *Euro-Mediterranean University, Piran (EMUNI)*, Slovenia

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Workshop 3

The reform of the Common Fisheries Policy as part of the Integrated Maritime Policy

(19 May, 9.00-10.55)

Rationale:

Fisheries is an important contributor of food and in some coastal communities also an important economic activity. The Common Fisheries Policy has not achieved all objectives regarding sustainable fisheries and the policy needs to be further integrated with other maritime activities. A consultation on the Common Fisheries Policy reform was launched with a Green Paper in April 2009 which will be the basis for formulating reform proposals leading to a new policy being in place from 2013. This debate around the Green paper on the CFP should cover discussion on possibilities for improved fisheries management in the future and links between fisheries and regional development, spatial planning, economic and social issues, environmental protection or climate change.

Re-thinking the Common Fisheries Policy therefore requires taking a fresh look at the broader maritime picture, in line with the approach advocated by the Integrated Maritime Policy (IMP).

Chair: César DEBÉN, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Director A, Policy Development and Coordination

Speakers:

Poul DEGNBOL, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Directorate A, Scientific Adviser

Katarina VEEM, Programme Director, Balticsea 2020

Javier GARAT, Executive Secretary, CEPESCA and Chairman of ACFA (Advisory Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture)

Richie FLYNN, Executive Secretary, IFA Aquaculture

Euan DUNN, Head of Marine Policy, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)

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Workshop 4

**A new agenda for excellence in maritime transport
(19 May, 09.00-10.55)**

Rationale:

Over the recent years, the EU has made a significant effort in promoting quality shipping. Both the maritime administrations of the Member States and the European shipping industry have invested heavily in quality shipping. The economic crisis reinforces the importance for the European industry to pursue its efforts for providing highly efficient and quality shipping services within a clear, foreseeable and enforced legal framework harmonised at worldwide level.

The objective of the workshop is to examine the views of shipping companies, ports, logistic operators and maritime transport workers on the current situation, raising public and political awareness of the necessity of strong action for achieving a fair level playing field at global level.

Chair: Hercules HARALAMBIDES, Professor of Maritime Economics of the ERASMUS University and Professor of International Transport Logistics at the Rotterdam School of Management

Speakers:

Paolo COSTA, Member of the European Parliament, Chairman of the Committee of Transport and Tourism
Michel DELEBARRE, First Vice President of the Committee of the Regions, Mayor of Dunkirk
Alfons GUINIER, Secretary General of ECSA, European Community Ship-owners Association
Manuel GÓMEZ MARTÍN, Vice-Chairman of ESPO, European Sea-Ports Organisation
Cecilia ECKELMANN-BATTISTELLO, President of FEPOR, Federation of European Port Operators
Dieter BENZE, Vice-President of the European Transport Workers Federation Maritime Transport Section
Emanuele GRIMALDI, Managing Director, GRIMALDI GROUP
Fotis KARAMITSOS, European Commission, Director of Maritime Transport, Galileo and intelligent transport, DG Energy and Transport

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Workshop 5

How can atlases help to organise and promote the seas?

(19 May, 9:00-10:55)

Rationale:

Ocean and sea atlases are powerful and wonderful tools to develop and present Integrated Maritime Policy. Like this new European policy, they can encompass all aspects of the oceans and seas in a holistic and integrated approach, from geographical features to political, economic, social and environmental ones. They can help to maximise the sustainable use of the oceans and seas, with the involvement of the various stakeholders. As announced in the Maritime Policy Blue Book, the Commission will launch a European Atlas of the Seas by the end of 2009, as educational tool to highlight our common maritime heritage and provide a spatial guide to maritime features and EU policies.

The objective of this session is to explore how ocean and sea atlases can inspire public authorities and stakeholders to move further on the path of a more integrated maritime Europe. Authors of main maritime atlases, from book to multimedia formats, from a local to a worldwide scope, will present the process, the result and the impacts of their projects. Learning and recommendations for a more integrated maritime Europe will be discussed.

Chair: Franco ARCOLEO, President of the Foundation Jean Michel Cousteau in Italy

Speakers:

Manfred LEIER, Author 'World Atlas of the Oceans'

Philippe VALLETTE, Directeur Général NAUSICAA, Author of 'Atlas de l'Océan Mondial'

Michael JONES, Chief Technology Advocate at Google

Dr Juan Luis SUÁREZ DE VIVERO, University of Seville, Author 'Atlas of Maritime Europe'

Pascal BULEON, Research Director in the University of Caen, Co-Author 'Channel Spaces' and 'Emergences caraïbes. Eléments de géographie politique'

Louis SHURMER-SMITH, Co-Author 'Channel Spaces'

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Workshop 6

**High Level Round Table on Integrated maritime governance in EU Member States
(19 May 2009, 11.05-13.00)**

Rationale:

The Blue Book adopted in October 2007 and the Guidelines on maritime governance adopted in June 2008 offered new incentives to the Member States and regions to reflect on the coherence of sea related policies and ways to improve maritime governance, which led in a few cases to the adoption of specific national and regional action plans on maritime policy. The objective of this workshop will be to discuss ongoing and planned national and regional strategies for the implementation of the Integrated Maritime Policy, exchanging best practice and tangible examples of cross-sectoral cooperation, which aims at ensuring a sustainable use of the seas and to boost the development of coastal regions.

Chair: Fokion FOTIADIS, General Director, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Speakers:

Brad WATSON, OBE, President of the Channel Arc Manche Assembly, West Sussex Cabinet Member for Communications

João MIRA GOMES, State Secretary for Defence and Maritime Affairs, Ministry of National Defence, Portugal (tbc)

Uwe DÖRING, Minister of Justice, Labour and European Affairs of Land Schleswig-Holstein

Jean-François TALLEC, Secretary General for the Sea, France

Elisabeth WALAAS, Secretary of State of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Norway

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Workshop 7

**Scientific input to the integrated management of sea basins
(19 May, 11.05-13.00)**

Rationale:

In the past years, marine science and oceanography have achieved considerable progress, using observation and modelling, in understanding the impact of human activities on the marine environment in sea basins. This has resulted in important outcomes that are relevant for policy makers who seek to promote an integrated management of sea basins, with a view to promote their sustainable development. The workshop will seek to present these results in simple terms to policy makers who often don't know them, by focusing on two areas: the Baltic (results from the BONUS programme) and the Mediterranean (results from the SESAME project). It will also give the perspective of the industry and in particular that of the maritime transport and oil & gas sectors.

The workshop will therefore focus on the marine science / policy interface on one hand and the marine science / maritime industries on the other hand.

Chair: Jørn KROG, Secretary General, Ministry of Fisheries and Coastal Affairs of Norway

Speakers:

Andris ANDRUSAITIS, Program Manager, BONUS

Evangelos PAPATHANASSIOU, Research Director Hellenic Centre for Marine Research

Willem LAROS, The European Technology Platform WATERBORNE

Fernando TORRENT, European Aquaculture Technology Platform, Chair for the Thematic Area "Integration with the environment"

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Workshop 8

**Towards better governance for a sustainable use of the Mediterranean Sea
(19 May, 11.05-13.00)**

Rationale:

The successful implementation of Integrated Maritime Policy in the Mediterranean Sea-basin hinges on the need to address the current challenges with respect to:

- Fragmented maritime zones, particularly the presence of a large area of High Seas,
- Ensuing weaknesses in enforcement and implementation of agreed laws, regulations and standards resulting in unsatisfactory management of marine and maritime resources and environmental protection.

This workshop shall therefore aim at: Raising public and political awareness on the need to address the abovementioned challenges whilst exploring how Integrated Maritime Policy initiatives and tools in the Mediterranean may best help in meeting these challenges.

Chair: Judge Tullio TREVES, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Speakers:

Union for the Mediterranean - Representatives from the French and Egyptian co-presidencies: *Inter-Ministerial mission, Paris/ Secretariat General for the Sea - Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Ministry of Trade and Industry, Egypt*

Claudio MARTINI, President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe (CPMR)

Prof. Nilufer ORAL, Co-chair of the Oceans Specialists Group, Commission on Environmental Law, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)

Prof. Nadia PINARDI, Laboratorio SINCEM, Corso di Scienze Ambientali, Ravenna

Fabrizia BENINI, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Head of Unit for Integrated Maritime Policy in the Mediterranean and the Black Sea (Unit D1)

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Workshop 9

**Progress towards a European Maritime Transport Space without Barriers
(19 May, 11.05-13.00)**

Rationale:

The objective of the European maritime transport space without barriers is to make maritime transport more efficient by abolishing administrative formalities for Community goods at their arrival and at departure from EU ports. It will achieve the internal market in maritime transport. The Commission identified a number of actions contributing to this objective. Amongst the measures to be taken at EU level, the most important one will be the simplification for customs procedures for short sea shipping vessels. The generalisation of enhanced electronic data transmission systems for administration to business communication and the creation of administrative single window at national level will facilitate further the overall administrative procedures.

The objective of the workshop is an exchange of views between shipping companies, ports, shippers and national public administrations on the best way for implementing these short and medium term measures and maximising their positive effects for maritime trade.

Chair: Kersti KARLSSON, Chairman of the Shipping Group in the Council of the EU

Speakers:

Paul TOURRET, Scientific Counsellor, the Conference of Maritime Peripheral Regions

Willem VAN DER SCHALK, Chairman of the Maritime Transport Institute, CLECAT

George BAX, Supply Chain Services, International Trade Operations Europe, Dow Benelux BV

Alfons GUINIER, Secretary General of ECSA, European Community Ship-owners Association

Dimitrios THEOLOGITIS, European Commission, DG Energy and Transport, Head of Unit for Maritime Transport Policy (TREN G.2)

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Workshop 10

Energy from the ocean - Emerging technologies
(19 May, 11.05-13.00)

Rationale:

Europe's energy situation and policy imply more reliance on oceans, seas and ports. The seas around Europe are already important source of oil and gas and they are also enabling an increasing maritime transportation of energy. In the future, marine energy resources, fossil and renewables, will be critical to the diversification of Europe's energy supply and the fight against climate change. In a context of highly volatile oil prices, the race is on to develop alternative energy resources, to optimise existing technologies and to maximise synergies between different sectors on offshore technologies.

The objective of the workshop aims at presenting an overview of recent initiatives of energy technologies related to the seas, from oil and gas, offshore wind, ocean energies, methane hydrates to carbon capture and storage. It should also stimulate the debate amongst various stakeholders about the contribution oceans can play in addressing European energy challenges.

Chair: Raffaele LIBERALI, Director, European Commission, DG Research, Directorate K - Energy (tbc)

Speakers:

Prof. Dr. Klaus WALLMANN, Leibniz-Institute of Marine Sciences IFM-GEOMAR Head of the Research Unit "Marine Geosystems"

Beate RAABE, Director EU Affairs, International Association of Oil & Gas Producers

Jos BEURSKENS, Scientific Director WE&sea, Wind energy department Energy Centre Netherlands (Netherlands)

Alla WEINSTEIN, President of the European Ocean Energy Association - CEO AquaEnergy Group Ltd. (USA)

Anne STRØMMEN LYCKE, Vice President Wind Power - StatoilHydro (Norway)

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Workshop 11

**Optimizing sustainable use of sea space through maritime spatial planning
(19 May, 16.00-18.00)**

Rationale:

Maritime Spatial Planning is an integrated way of managing and developing a given sea area in a sustainable manner. All current and future maritime activities should be balanced, while taking environmental impacts into account.

The objective of the workshop is: to raise public and political awareness for MSP through the presentation of good practice examples and having MSP explored from different angles of policy.

Chair: Alan SIMCOCK, former chairman of OSPAR

Speakers:

Giuseppe BORTONE, Director General, Ministry of Environment, Soil and Coastal Defence, Emilia-Romagna Region, Italy

Ivica TRUMBIC, Director for the Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity centre (UNEP/Barcelona Convention)

Kees POLDERMAN, Assistant director, International maritime affairs, Directorate-General for Civil Aviation and Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management (the Netherlands)

Teresa GAMITO, Coordinator of the Portuguese Maritime Space Master Plan

Erlend MOKSNESS, Research Director from Institute of Marine Research (IMR) Norway

Haitze SIEMERS, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, Acting Head of Unit E1 - Maritime Policy Baltic and North Sea

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Workshop 12

MARITIME INDUSTRY:

Maritime prosperity in challenging times

(19 May 2009, 16.00-18.00)

Rationale:

Maritime Industries are amongst the most important maritime policy stakeholders and have contributed actively and extensively to its development. Industry is a key part of the solution or sometimes the challenge in a wide range of integrated maritime policy actions and work areas. That is why the Maritime Industries Forum (MIF) - that is run by and for Europe's maritime industries² - is tackling the most pressing issues in its regular Working Groups on the environment, transport, human resources, rules, rights & regulations and research and innovation. The MIF is thereby helping industry to shape the EU's Integrated Maritime Policy. This should be good for the competitiveness of our world class industries - on which our economic well-being depends - and is in turn helping Europe to meet its transport and environmental goals.

This MIF workshop at the Maritime Day in Rome in 2009 will inform the maritime society about what Europe's maritime industries are doing to offer skilled jobs; deliver innovative products; provide sustainable transport and respond to climate change challenges. It will also showcase how value-chain collaboration at European level, through the MIF, can help industry to make its case better and contribute to better policies and actions for the benefit of all maritime stakeholders.

Chair: John RICHARDSON, Adviser on Maritime Policy, FIPRA International

Speakers

Reinhard LÜKEN, Secretary General, Community of European Shipyards Associations (CESA)

Patrick VERHOEVEN, Secretary General, European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO)

Alfons GUINIER, Secretary General, European Community Shipowners' Association (ECSA)

Allan GRAVESON, European Federation of Transport Workers (ETF)

W.M. VAN GULPEN, Chairman of the board, European Marine Equipment Council (EMEC)

Willem LAROS, The European Technology Platform WATERBORNE, Secretary of the Support Group

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² <http://www.mif-eu.org/>

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Workshop 13

**Adapting to the impact of climate change on coastal regions
(19 May, 16.00-18.00)**

Rationale:

Within coastal zones climate change effects can be expected to have a wide range of impacts: sea levels rise, floods, storm damage, erosion, salt water intrusion, soil subsidence, extreme weather events, water stress, loss of ecosystems, etc. Critical coastal infrastructure, tourist accommodation, villages and cities situated close to the shore as well as ports will be under threat.

Climate change adaptation strategies have to be put in place to avoid or diminish these threats. The recently adopted White Paper on Adapting to Climate Change paves the way to adopt and implement adaptation strategies at EU level.

This workshop seeks to increase knowledge and awareness on adaptation strategies to climate change in coastal areas and the costs of the adaptation policies in present and future plans which will certainly have significant impacts on public budgets in Member States and Regions and in the discussions of the future financial decisions.

Chair: Reinhard PRIEBE, Director Atlantic, Arctic and Outermost Regions, European Commission, DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Speakers:

Patrizio CUCCIOLETTA, President, Acque di Venezia

Marco GASPARINETTI, Head of Sector, European Commission, DG Environment

Jacobus HOFSTEDE, Schleswig-Holstein State Ministry for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Areas

Hugo NIESING, National Institute for Marine and Coastal Management, RIKZ, The Hague, the Netherlands

Andreas MOLESKIS, Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau, Cyprus

Sandrine NOËL, Head of non-life insurance, Comité Européen des Assurances (CEA)

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Workshop 14

**Towards integrated maritime surveillance in the EU
(19 May, 16.00-18.00)**

Rationale:

Maritime Surveillance is the effective understanding and comprehensive management of anything associated with the maritime domain that could impact the security, safety, trade, economy or environment of the European Union.

One of the key objectives of maritime policy is to integrate existing and future sectoral surveillance and monitoring activities and to set up an exchange of information network amongst the relevant authorities and bodies.

To increase the possibilities to gather available maritime surveillance information is important from several perspectives; maritime law enforcement, detection of illegal discharges, safety of navigation, fisheries, protection of the environment and security issues.

The development of new surveillance systems needs to build upon already existing ones. In order to reduce the risk of duplication it is important that systems developed at the European level builds upon the experiences gained in different MS and are developed in such a way that these systems can support different national systems.

The workshop shall aim at stimulating the debate amongst authorities dealing with different sectoral surveillance activities on how each can contribute to an integrated system of maritime surveillance in the EU and how having access to this future network will create added value for their activities.

Chair: Prof. John TZOANNOS, Secretary General, Ministry of Mercantile Marine, the Aegean and Island policy; Greece

Speakers:

Admiral Pierre-François FORISSIER, French Chief of Staff of the Navy

Carolina MATARAZZI, Italian Space Agency

Hans LINDQVIST, Deputy Head of the Swedish coastguard

Vidar ULRIKSEN, State secretary, Ministry of fisheries and Coastal affairs, Norway

Frank GOERKE, Senior Chief Superintendent, Federal Police Regional Office for Maritime Security in Bad Bramstedt, Germany

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Workshop 15

**Supporting sustainable growth in tourism within coastal regions
(19 May, 16.00-18.00)**

Rationale:

The attractiveness and success of tourism growth in coastal areas and islands relies heavily on sustainable development. Coastal regions are essential in ensuring that Europe remains the most visited inbound tourist destination.

The objective of this workshop is to examine recent initiatives aimed at highlighting the sustainability of coastal tourism in Europe, whilst exploring how research, networking initiatives and the diversification of tourism products and services can contribute to the competitiveness of coastal and island destinations.

Chair: Francesco IANNIELLO, European Commission, DG ENTR, Head of Tourism Unit

Speakers:

Enzo FINOCCHIARO, General Director, Sustainable Tourism Department, Provincia di Rimini, Italy

Françoise BRETON, European Topic Center on Land Use and Spatial Information Deputy Manager, Barcelona

Francesco ATTAGUILE, Leader of the CPMR Islands Commission Tourism Working Group, Sicily, Italy

Alan VELLA, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry, Tourism Unit

Nigel ADAMS, Head of Policy and Regeneration, Tourism and Marketing, Welsh Assembly Government

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