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**NOTE FOR THE FILE**

**Subject: Meeting of the Maritime Directors – Brussels, 16 April 2013**  
**Summary points**

**1. Administrative simplification and single market**

- Implementation of Directive 2010/65/EU on reporting formalities

Most MS were positive on the concept of harmonisation and coordination of reporting formalities which will bring simplification for them and benefits for industry; however the implementation raises still a number of challenges.

EMSA reassured MS about good progress on technical specifications.

- Blue Belt

Several MSs asked for the Commission to give the political vision and the impulse given the difficulty to have tax authorities and the customs community on board at national level.

**2. Vessel traffic monitoring**

- Revision of Directive 2002/59/EC on vessel traffic monitoring and information system

EMSA presented the IMDatE project which will interlink all tracking and monitoring systems hosted in EMSA and provide for the possibility for new faster and more efficient services. 6 MS will be participating in the operational testing phase of the pilot project.

Several MS voiced support for the approach taken by the Commission.

- Links with the developments of the Common Information Sharing in Maritime Environment (CISE)

Commission explained the need for coordination with counterparts at national level, in view of the on-going discussions, in order to try and ensure the efficient use of existing systems and investments while avoiding duplication. Most MS agreed with this approach.

### **3. Reduction of emissions in maritime Transport**

#### **- Maritime Greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) – EU proposal and IMO aspects**

Commission introduced the topic both at international level and EU level. Many MS argued for a global and gradual approach and continued effort to get the IMO Resolution on technology transfer approved which should facilitate proceeding to discussions on GHG reductions at IMO.

Regarding the EU MRV proposal, several Member States insisted that EU and IMO calendars should be well coordinated.

#### **- Progress report on the Sustainable waterborne transport toolbox**

Commission announced a technical meeting on scrubbers beginning of June.

#### **- IMO coordination**

There was brief open discussion on the topic.

### **4. Passenger Ships safety**

#### **- IMO work in view of MSC 92**

#### **- Revision of Directive 2009/45/EC on passenger ship safety**

There was very little time left to discuss the 2 items.

### **5. EU ports policy: state of play**

The point was not addressed due to lack of time.

### **6. AOB: EU-Legislation exceeding International Standards: Effects on the Maritime Policy of EU Member States in their relations with Third States (proposed by DE)**

### **7. AOB: State of Play on the negotiations on an EU regulation on ship recycling (trilogue in view of a 1st reading agreement)**

Not addressed.