The EU Maritime Security Strategy is a shared and comprehensive tool to identify, prevent and respond to any challenges that affect the security of European people, activities and assets in the global maritime domain.

The EU MSS is built on 4 principles and includes an Action Plan with a set of 130 concrete actions.

**Cross-cutting approach**
Increasing collaboration between all actors from national to EU level, including public authorities, navies, training, research and the private industry.

**Rule of law**
Good governance must stand on transparent rules, even enforcement and respect for human rights, as enshrined in the International Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

**Functional integrity**
Building on existing assets and without new structures, working together efficiently towards common goals thanks to more coordination and information sharing.

**Maritime multilateralism**
Collaborating with international forums and 3rd countries, and inviting stakeholders and social partners, to reduce instability and foster development across the global maritime domain.