

***e-Maritime  
Annual conference 2012  
22 – 23 November, Brussels***

***'Connecting the maritime world - towards 2020'***

Conference Programme (Draft)

Day 1: The 'eMaritime Story' so far...

- 13:00 Registration and sandwich lunch
1. Plenary session
- 14:00 Opening address by the Commission**  
M. Ruete, Director-General, European Commission (DG MOVE)
- 14:15 Keynote by the European Parliament**  
G. Koumoutsakos, Member of the European Parliament
- 14:30 Keynote by the Presidency of the European Union**  
Cyprus Presidency
- 14:45 High level presentations by key maritime transport and logistics operators on leading good practices in the efficient use of ICT and information sharing**
- 16:00 Coffee break**
- 16:30 Panel discussion on the electronic maritime transport environment**  
Moderator: A. Guinier, Secretary-General, European Community Ship-owners Association (ECSA)
- 17:15 SafeSeaNet – core for regulatory ship information exchange**  
M. Mylly, Executive Director, European Maritime Safety Agency
- 17:30 Efficient port communication**  
European Sea Ports Association (ESPO)
- 17:40 Introduction to the working groups and their objectives – setting the scene for Day 2**  
F. Karamitsos, Acting Deputy Director General, European Commission (DG MOVE)
- 18:00 Closing**

18:15 – 19:30 Drinks reception offered by BMT

Day 2: Working together – shaping future policy...

**09:00** Working groups - 3 parallel sessions

## Port operations

Moderator: D. Theologitis, Head of Unit, Ports & Inland Navigation, European Commission

Space, time and resources need to be used in the best way possible to ensure the efficient and speedy transfer of cargo and passengers through port areas. Port Community Systems (PCS) play an important role in planning, managing and controlling this movement within the port and often beyond. Do all ports offer sufficient PCS services? Is the relevant information available to those who need it and when they need it? Is data confidentiality, both commercial and administrative, ensured? Do we need more standardised processes, information and even technology in order to reduce the development, initial and running costs and to maximise the benefits? ICT Security Challenges in the Maritime Sector: How important are they? What could they be and how could they be addressed?

Topics to be addressed:

1. **Port strategies for enhanced integration in the transport chain**
2. **Ensuring efficient and quality port services through collaboration and e-business strategies**
3. **Challenges and trends in terminal operations**
4. **Port Community Systems for improved port performance**
5. **Medium-sized Ports' requirements for IT support systems**
6. **The importance of quality information for improved terminal throughput**
7. **Challenges and options for protecting Critical Information Infrastructure in Ports**

## Ship operations

Moderator: J.-E. Hagen, Director, Norwegian Coastal Administration and a chairman of IMO working groups on e-Navigation

A ship's turnaround time is an important factor for efficient shipping. How could we reduce any unnecessary delays? Are all services available when they are needed or could this be improved? Optimised arrival times – optimised services? Administrative Single Windows are key components for reducing any administrative burden. Which information should be collected and shared? Single Window, Single Windows, too many windows? For the submission of information to be easier, is the available technology enough?

Topics to be addressed:

1. **e-navigation - ship-shore interphase and other fairway-port navigational solutions**
2. **The importance of private-public co-operation in furthering the development of the maritime sector**
3. **Ensuring marine operations are safe, secure, efficient and environmentally sound.**
4. **Presentation on the procedures when a ship calls into port**
5. **Analysing the port call process**
6. **National Single Windows (Reporting formalities directive)**
7. **Facilitating ship management with the help of ICT**
8. **The Mona Lisa concept - aiming towards efficient, safe and environmentally friendly maritime transport**

## **Multimodality**

Moderator: Marco Sorgetti, Director General – FIATA

Efficient management of the transport of goods to their final destination require good connections at ports with other modes of transport. How can information flows be adapted to make this connection seamless? How can the data coming from maritime information systems feed into the planning and execution of freight transport along the rest of the supply chain? What are the needs of shippers, of administrations and of logistics service providers in order to achieve efficient multimodal transport? Which kinds of solution or system should be considered and further developed?

Topics to be addressed:

1. **Using ICT for logistics: key challenges and opportunities**
2. **A framework for the exchange of information along the whole supply chain**
3. **What do shippers require from advanced ICT for logistics?**
4. **Logistics service providers best practices**
5. **Co-operation amongst logistics chain partners**
6. **SMEs: first beneficiaries of e-Freight services**
7. **The use of data originating from traffic management services in the logistics chain**

**12:30**      **Lunch**

2. Plenary session

**13:45**      **Working groups conclusions**  
Presented by the working group moderators

**14:15**      **Good practises outside of the EU and a panel discussion on global developments**  
(e.g. Australia, China and Singapore)

**15:15**      **Conclusions – ‘Connecting the maritime world – towards 2020’**  
F. Karamitsos, Acting Deputy Director General, European Commission (DG MOVE)

**15:30**      **Closing**