

Summary programme
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EUROPEAN MARITIME DAY CONFERENCE 2011

Thursday 19 May 2011

EUROPEAN MARITIME STAKEHOLDER DAY

Friday 20 May 2011

Gdańsk
Polish Baltic Philharmonic Hall
<http://www.filharmonia.gda.pl/>
(Philharmonic's Music and Congress Centre)
Olowianka Str., 1
80-751 Gdańsk, Poland

Theme of the conference

Maritime Policy: Putting People First

Wednesday 18 may 2011

19.00

Gala concert

Location: The Polish Baltic Frédéric Chopin Philharmonic, Gdańsk

Thursday **19 MAY 2011**

07.45 – 09.30

Registration and welcome coffee

09.30– 11. 00

Opening of the Conference

- Donald Tusk, Prime Minister of Poland (tbc)
- Maria Damanaki, Member of the European Commission responsible for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
- Vice-President of the European Parliament (tbc)
- Pál Völner, Minister of State for Infrastructure, Republic of Hungary
- Efthimios E. Mitropoulos, Secretary General of the International Maritime Organisation
- Lech Wałęsa, former President of the Republic of Poland (tbc)
- Mieczysław Struk, President of Pomorskie Voivodship
- Paweł Adamowicz , Mayor of Gdańsk

11.00 – 11.15

Keynote speech Maria Damanaki, Member of the European Commission responsible for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries:

"The integrated maritime policy: putting people first"

11.15 - 12.00

Press conference

11.15-12.45

PLENARY SESSION I: Making maritime careers attractive: education, training and working conditions

Moderator: Lowri Evans, Director General, European Commission Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Participants:

- Anna Wypych-Namiołko, Polish Undersecretary of State in charge of maritime economy
- Erik Hietbrink, Member of the Task Force on maritime employment and competitiveness of the EU shipping sector
- Jean-Yves Le Drian, President of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions
- Frans Van Rompuy, Director General for Maritime Transport, Federal Public Service Mobility and Transport, Belgium
- Paul Soto, Leader, European Fisheries Area Network support unit (FARNET) (tbc)

- *Peter Scherrer, General Secretary, European Metalworkers' Federation, Maritime Industries Forum*

Question & Answer session

12.45 – 13.00

Keynote speech Siim Kallas, Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for Mobility and Transport

Lunch break: 13.00 – 14.30

14.30 – 14.45

Keynote speech Janusz Lewandowski, Member of the European Commission responsible for Financial Programming and the Budget

14.45 - 16.00

PLENARY SESSION II: What lessons from the Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region?

Moderator: to be announced

Participants:

- *Michael Cohen, Acting President of the Commission for Natural Resources, Committee of the Regions*
- *Janusz Lewandowski, Member of the European Commission responsible for Financial Programming and the Budget*
- *Catharina Elmsäter Svärd, Minister for Infrastructure, Sweden*
- *Katarzyna Sobierajska, Undersecretary of State responsible for Tourism, Poland*
- *Christina Gestrin – Chair of the Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference*
- *Ilkka Laitinen, Executive Director of Frontex (European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union)*

Question & Answer session

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break

16.30 – 18.00

PARALLEL SESSION I: The ecosystem-based approach in practice in managing activities related to the sea

Moderator: Carla Montesi, Director, European Commission Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Participants:

- *Andrzej Jagusiewicz, Chief Inspector for Environmental Protection, Poland*
- *Kaisa Kononen, Executive Director, 'BONUS' European Economic Interest Grouping*
- *Petter Arnesen, Director, Marine Harvest*
- *John Campbell, International Association of Oil & Gas Producers*
- *Monique Verbeek, Executive Director, Seas-at-risk*

- Anne-Louise Mansson, Water and Marine Director, Ministry of Environment, Sweden

Question & Answer session

16.30 – 18.00

PARALLEL SESSION II: Sea-basins as economic drivers

Moderator: Ernesto Penas Lado, Director, European Commission Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

Participants

- Eleni Marianou, Secretary General of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions
- Tim Hurst, Thematic Manager for Marine Renewables, Scottish European Green Energy Center
- Ann Van Assche, Co-ordinator of Flanders Marine
- Marina Monassi, President of Port Authority of Trieste (tbc)
- Julian Skelnik, Marketing and Development Director, Port Authority of Gdańsk

Question & Answer session

16.30 – 18.00

PARALLEL SESSION III: How to promote economically sustainable maritime transport in the context of climate change

Moderator: Bernhard Friess, Director, European Commission Directorate General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (tbc)

Participants

- Georgios Koumoutsakos, Member of the European Parliament
- Jos Dings, Director, Transport & Environment
- Paolo Costa, President of Port Authority of Venice
- Corrado Antonini, Fincantieri, Chairman
- Anne Schroeer, Baltic Sea Project Manager, OCEANA
- Alfons Guinier, Secretary-General of the European Community Shipowners' Association (ECSA)

Question & Answer session

18.00 – 18.30

Conclusions by Lowri Evans, Director General, Directorate General Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission and Anna Wypych-Namiołko, Undersecretary of State in Charge of maritime economy, Ministry of Infrastructures, Poland .

Invitation to celebrate European Maritime Day 2012 in Gothenburg by Catharina Elmsäter Svard, Minister for Infrastructure, Sweden and Rolf Lindén Lord Mayor of the City of Gothenburg

19.30 - Cocktail dinner

Friday **20 MAY 2011**

Stakeholder Day

8.00 – 10.00	Registration of official guests and participants
10.00 – 10.30	Welcome and summing up of European Maritime Day Conference - Lowri Evans, Director General, Directorate General Maritime Affairs and Fisheries, European Commission (tbc) and - Anna Wypych-Namiołko, Undersecretary of State in Charge of maritime economy, Ministry of Infrastructures, Poland (tbc)
10.30 – 12.00	Parallel sessions (detailed programme below)
12.00 – 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 15.00	Parallel sessions (detailed programme below)
15.00 – 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 – 17.00	Parallel sessions (detailed programme below)

10.30 – 12.00 Room: Concert Hall

Common vision – linking efforts – strengthening visibility

The event promotes the significance and visibility of maritime policy in the Baltic Sea Region and provides examples of good governance and best practice projects. It aims to outreach to other interested European maritime areas with best practice examples.

Speakers

- MP Roger Janssen, Vice-Chairman, BSPC Working Group on Integrated Maritime Policy
- Mr. Lars Almklov, Chairman, CBSS Expert Group on Maritime Policy
- Mr. Stefan Musiolik, Chairman, BSSSC Working Group on Maritime Policy
- Southern Baltic Sea Parliamentary Forum: a representative of the Sejmik of the Voivodeship Pomorskie, Gdansk (tba)
- A representative of the Russian Federation (tbc)

Organisers

- Council of the Baltic Sea States (CBSS) – Expert Group on Maritime Policy
- Baltic Sea Parliamentary Conference (BSPC) – Working Group on Integrated Maritime Policy
- Baltic Sea Sub-regional Co-operation (BSSSC) – Working Group on Maritime Policy
- Southern Baltic Sea Parliamentary Forum

10.30 – 15.00 Room: Jazz Hall

Promoting Lifetime Careers in the Waterborne Sector

European maritime industries are largely high-tech and innovative sectors. They provide thousands of diverse and challenging jobs with a high international profile. However, they presently suffer from the shortages of skilled workers. As it could ultimately jeopardise the future competitiveness of the sector, maritime industries urgently need to better promote the job opportunities they can offer. To capitalise on its competitive edge in future "green growth" markets, they will require new generations of motivated and highly skilled workers.

The event will bring together representatives from industry, trade unions, national public administrations and European institutions. They will tackle some of the major issues that underlie the human dimension of maritime industries. They will define the type of skills needed today in the sector and how to attract them, and will identify the specific hurdles in the maritime labour market. They will discuss concrete employment issues and best practices, as well as policy initiatives to address them.

More information: www.mif-eu.org

10.30 – 12.00 MIF Public Forum Session I

Opening Address

-Daniel Calleja Crespo, Deputy Director General, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry

Keynote

-Gesine Meissner, Member of the European Parliament

Position Statements MIF Member Associations

-Arkadiusz Aszyk, Member of the Board of Stocznia Gdańsk SA, CESA – Community of European Shipbuilders' Associations

-Paris Sansoglou, EUDA – European Dredging Association

-Paola Lancelotti, EMEC – European Marine Equipment Council

-Steen Sabinsky, CEO Danish Maritime Cluster, CEMT - Confederation of European Maritime Technology Societies

-Arjan Mintjes, President of EDINNA, INE Inland Navigation Europe

-Mike Barnett, Southampton University; Maritime Careers

-Andreas Mai, Harbour Master Bremen Ports, European Nautical Platform (EMPA, CESMA, ETA, EBA, EHMC)

13:30 – 15:00 MIF Public Forum Session II

Opening Address

-Anna Wypych Namiotko, Deputy Minister of Infrastructure (requested)

Panel Discussions

Moderator Peter Wagner, Head of Unit Defence, Aeronautic and Maritime Industries, European Commission, DG Enterprise and Industry

-Haitze Siemers, Head of Unit Maritime policy Baltic and North Sea, European Commission, DG Fisheries and Maritime Affairs

-Philippe Alfonso, Maritime Political Secretary, ETF - European Transport Workers Federation

-Reinhard Lützen, Secretary General, CESA – Community of European Shipbuilders' Associations

-Alfons Guinier, Secretary General, ECSA - European Community Shipowners' Association

-Robert J. Kasteel, EBU – European Barge Union

-Fritz Conyn, CEO Contest Yachts, President EBI - European Boating Industry

-Andreas Mai, Harbour Master Bremen Ports, European Nautical Platform (EMPA, CESMA, ETA, EBA, EHMC)

Questions and Answers from the Floor

Concluding Statement

-Patrick Verhoeven (tbc), Secretary General, ESPO - European Sea Ports Organization,

Organiser: Maritime Industries Forum (MIF)

10.30 – 12.00 Room: Green Hall

Oceanographic services for the European regions

Operational oceanographic services in Europe have been developed jointly for about 20 years. This includes co-ordination of observing systems, exchange and management of marine data, assessment of the environmental state, and forecasting. It means production of marine/maritime knowledge for different users and temporal and spatial scales.

The practical work is organised in Regional Operational Oceanographic Systems, ROOSs, for the Baltic Sea, the Northwest Shelf, the Arctic, the Irish-Biscay-Iberia region, the Mediterranean, and the Black Sea. The ROOSs have played an important role in GMES-MyOcean, SeaDataNet, and Maritime Policy-EMODnet preparatory projects.

The workshop will present hitherto achievements, and conclude with a short open discussion to get user priorities for continued development.

Speakers

-Hans Dahlin, EuroGOOS Director (*EuroGOOS, a pan-European association with a bottom-up approach*)

-Pierre Bahurel (MyOcean coordinator and Mercator-Ocean Director): The MyOcean project - European core services in support of member states

- Bertil Hakansson (Co-ordinator Oceanography & Marine Environment at SMHI - Swedish Meteorological and Hydrological Institute- and BOOS Chair): The Regional Baltic Operational Oceanographic System.
- Kazimierz Szeffler (Director, Maritime Institute Gdansk): National Polish services using regional products.
- (H.Dahlin) Ur-EMODnet builds on regional networks.

Organisers

- EuroGOOS; the European component of the Global Ocean Observing System.
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10.30 – 12.00 Room: Oak Hall

Towards more sustainable and competitive Short Sea Shipping

A challenge for Short Sea Shipping (SSS) is to maintain its competitiveness whilst improving its environmental performance.

The workshop will present the "Blue Belt Pilot Project", a recent EU initiative.

Views will be exchanged on the best way to support innovative solutions in SSS, either at the short-term under the current EU Policy framework, or via the "sustainable waterborne transport toolbox" - a multi-dimensional action plan that explores medium and longer term solutions for sustainable and competitive SSS, which will be further developed by the European Commission.

Speakers

- Willem de Ruiters, Executive Director, European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)
 - Bodgan Oldakowski, Secretary General, Baltic Port Organization
 - Eirik Nyhus, Director Environment, Det Norske Veritas (DNV)
 - Ernst-Christoph Krackhardt Siemens AG, Chairman of European Marine Equipment Council (EMEC) working group on Climate Change
 - Alfons Guinier, Secretary General, European Community Shipowners Association (ECSA)
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10.30 – 12.00 Room: Press Room

Baltic Sea: know better to protect more

The event will:

- disclose new images and findings by Oceana of the Baltic species and sea bottom status to better identify vulnerable habitats that should be protected;
- assess current exploitation level of commercial species and future trends;
- analyse risks for the future of fisheries and coastal communities depending on them;
- propose policies needed to improve both marine preservation and fisheries resources under an ecosystem approach;
- discuss how a reform of strategies towards fishing subsidies can preserve vulnerable habitats and species without endangering livelihoods.

Speakers

- Anne Schroeer, Economist and Project Manager for Oceana Baltic campaign
- Marine Scientist at IFM Geomar, University of Kiel (TBD)
- Marine Scientist at Technical University of Denmark, National Institute of Aquatic Resources (Copenhagen, Denmark) (TBD,)
- Courtney Sakai, Senior Campaign Director of Oceana Fisheries Subsidies Campaign

Organiser

- Oceana Europe
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13.30 – 15.00 Room: Concert Hall

Towards coherent Maritime Spatial Planning in the Baltic Sea

The event will showcase the emerging role of Maritime Spatial Planning (MSP), anchored in the work carried out by the Helsinki Commission and Vision and Strategies around the Baltic Sea (VASAB). It will present the adopted Baltic MSP Principles and eco-system based, integrated, cross-sectoral approaches to management of human activities.

The project BaltSeaPlan sets out a Vision 2030 to successfully deal with key transnational marine topics. It shows that forward thinking and transnational planning is prerequisite to a sustainable use of the Baltic Sea. Further MSP projects, such as MASPNOSE, Plan Bothnia and MESMA will be presented.

Speakers

- Anita Mäkinen and Andrzej Cieslak, Co-chairs of the Joint HELCOM-VASAB Maritime Spatial Planning Working Group,
- Andrzej Jagusiewicz, Chief Inspector of Environmental Protection in Poland, HELCOM Initial Holistic Assessment of the Ecosystem Health of the Baltic Sea
- The Project Sub-regional Risk of Spill of Oil and Hazardous Substances in the Baltic Sea (BRISK)
- Nico Nolte, German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency, BaltSeaPlan Vision 2030
- Hermann Backer, Plan Bothnia Project
- Session moderated by Jacek Zaucha (Maritime Institute in Gdańsk) and Anita Mäkinen (HELCOM)

Organiser

- Helsinki Commission – Baltic Marine Environment Protection Commission (HELCOM),
- Vision and Strategies around the Baltic Sea (VASAB),
- Maritime Institute in Gdańsk/Poland,
- Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH) in Hamburg/Germany

13.30 – 15.00 Room: Green Hall

Coastal and Marine Atlases for informing people

The workshop will show the existing environmental data for coastal and marine areas and the status of the tools, such as atlases, already in use or under development in our institutions and countries, which make data more accessible to end users and citizens.

Speakers

- Anne-France Woestyn, European Commission – Directorate General Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
- Ana Correa-Peña, Priority Actions Programme/Regional Activity Centre (PAP/RAC) – Coastal Area Management Programme (CAMP)
- Yassine Lassoued, University College Cork – Ireland
- Pascal Buleon, University of Caen – France
- Alejandro Iglesias-Campos, Government of Andalusia – Spain
- Antonio Cabrera-Tordera, Elimco Systemas – Spain

Organiser

- Government of Andalusia - Regional Ministry of the Environment
 - Environmental Information Network of Andalusia – REDIAM
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13.30 – 15.00 Room: Oak Hall

e-Maritime & e-Navigation needs and prospects

Stakeholders will discuss plans, expectations and views on the two initiatives:

- EU e-Maritime that aims to empower the maritime transport sector to offer quality-shipping services, integrated into the overall European transport system. More at <http://www.eskema.eu/>

- IMO's e-Navigation that aims to enhance berth-to-berth navigation and related services for safety and security at sea and for protection of the marine environment. More at <http://e-nav.no/>

Speakers

- Chairman: Mr John-Erik Hagen, Norwegian Coastal Administration
- Mr Christos Pipitsoulis, European Commission, Directorate General Mobility and Transport
 - Mr Stefan Engels, vice-president of European Port Community System Association (EPCSA)
 - Capt. Fredrik J. van Wijnen, Confederation of European Shipmasters' Associations (CESMA)
 - Mr Jürgen Trögl, via donau - Österreichische Wasserstraßen-Gesellschaft mbH;

Organisers

- European Commission, DG Mobility and Transport, supported by the Norwegian Coastal Administration.
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13.30 – 15.00 Room: Buffet room

Smart Regions and Cities need Intelligent Ports

The workshop will focus on the need for intelligent ports in the context of the EU wide concepts for Smart Cities and Regions. It will presents three best practice examples and debate how the EU can support the development of smart cities with intelligent ports and how to promote smart and sustainable maritime activities at a local level. The debate will evolve around the experiences gathered by the panel in cross-border and Motorways of the Sea cooperation. It aims to identify areas in need of future action to support smart, sustainable growth in maritime transport across the EU.

Speakers

Setting the scene

-Prof Valente de Oliveira, European Coordinator for Motorways of the Sea

Three best practice examples

- Andrew Flockhart, Business Planning Manager, Caledonian Maritime Assets Ltd
- Åsa Wilske, Environmental Manager, Port of Gothenburg
- Mario Dogliani, Corporate Affairs & Communication RINA SpA tbc

Panel debate : Towards smart cities with intelligent ports

Moderator:

-José Anselmo, European Commission, Head of Sector, European Commission, Directorate General Mobility and Transport

Participants:

- Richard Hadfield, Transport Scotland representing the Scottish Government
- Åsa Wilske, Environmental Manager. Port of Gothenburg
- Mario Dogliani, Corporate Affairs & Communication
- Prof. Dr. José Luis Almazan Gárate, Technical University of Madrid (UPM) tbc

Organisers

- Scotland Europa
 - Regione Liguria – Brussels Office
 - City of Gothenburg, EU Office
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13.30 – 15.00 Room: Press Room

Regional marine cluster co-operation building maritime innovation

Restricted meeting – participation upon invitation

Organisers

- Marine South East

15.30 – 17.00 Room: Green Hall

The Atlantic and Strategies for Economic Niches of Excellence

The event will discuss the potential to structure competitive economic activities in marine resources and maritime clusters in the Atlantic Area. It will focus on the strategic documents currently being developed and on the initiatives to stimulate the Sea Cluster. It will also present the project *Knowledge transfer to Improve Marine Economy in Regions from the Atlantic Area* (KIMERAA), the results of the Study of Maritime Clusters in Atlantic Area and the *European Network of Knowledge Transfer in Atlantic Area* (ENKTAA).

Speakers

Atlantic Strategy -Alain Cadec, Member of the European Parliament, Vice-President of the EP Fisheries Committee and Member of the Regional Development Committee

Portuguese National Sea Strategy -Manuel Pinto de Abreu, Responsible for the Mission Structure for Maritime Affairs, Portugal

Cooperation in Marine Sciences and Technologies -Niall McDonough, Executive Scientific Secretary in Marine Board of European Science Foundation

KIMERAA project and ENKTA -João Guerreiro, Dean of University of Algarve, Portugal

Organisers

- Atlantic Area Cooperation Project KIMERAA through the Lead Partner: University of Algarve (CRIA – Algarve Regional Centre for Innovation, Division of Entrepreneurship and Technology Transfer)

15.30 – 17.00 Room: Jazz Hall

EU4SEAS: a new momentum for maritime governance

Representatives from multilateral organisations, non-EU public activists, stakeholders and researchers will discuss the socio-economic and environmental dimensions of maritime affairs, and challenges of decision-making and of engaging in dialogue at regional and international level.

EU4SEAS will present its policy paper “EU's Strategy on Maritime and Environmental Issues in the Four Seas: Multilateral approaches”. It analyses the synergies between EU maritime and environmental policies, as well as the potential to engage regional/international actors. It also recommends what could be done to reinforce multilateral cooperation, so that it complements the existing EU policies.

Speakers

- Yves Henocque, Nature & Society Leader, Prospective and Scientific Strategy Division, French Research Institute for the Exploration of the Sea (IFREMER), France;
- Timur Berkeliev, Environment activist, Crude Accountability, Moscow;

- Laurence Mee, KnowSeas Project Coordinator, Scottish Association for Marine Science, Oban, United Kingdom;
- Monika Stankiewicz, Professional Secretary, Maritime & Response, Helsinki Commission (tbc);
- Louisa Wood, Head of Marine Assessment and Decision Support Programme, United Nations Environmental Programme (tbc)

Organisers

- FP7 EU4SEAS (The EU and sub-regional multilateralism in Europe's four sea basins: neighbourhood, enlargement and multilateral cooperation), Consortium lead by Barcelona Centre for International Affairs and Documentation (CIDOB, Barcelona);
 - Centre for Peripheral Maritime Regions, Rennes, France
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15.30 – 17.00 Room: Buffet Room

Identifying and analyzing the synergies in developing maritime clusters

Restricted meeting – participation upon invitation

Organisers

- Gdynia Maritime University
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15.30 – 17.00 Room: Press Room

Oceans Governance – Integrated Planning for the Future

Restricted meeting – participation upon invitation

Organisers

- World Wildlife Fund
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