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FIRST WEBINAR ON FUELEU MARITIME REGULATION

EMSA, together with the European Commission's Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE), has begun a series of webinars on the FuelEU Maritime Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2023/1805). The FuelEU Maritime Regulation introduces the use of renewable, low-carbon fuels and clean energy technologies for ships, essential to support decarbonisation in the sector. The first webinar, held on 4 June 2024, was dedicated to the preparations for the FuelEU Maritime Regulation. The webinar included the updated timeline for the secondary legislation, as well as FuelEU Monitoring Plan workflow and content. Also presented was the FuelEU Database concept, including the planned enhancements in THETIS MRV. A recording of the webinar, as well as a recording of the morning questions and answer session and the afternoon questions and answer session, can be found in our dedicated FuelEU Maritime webinar section. More webinars for invited maritime stakeholders are due to take place in the coming months. In addition, more information and resources on the FuelEU Maritime Regulation as well as on the extension of the European Emissions Trading System (EU ETS) to maritime, and the changes to the MRV Regulation, can be found in our online hub.





The first FuelEU Maritime was held on 4 June 2024, hosted by the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport at the European Commission and EMSA. The webinar, plus the questions and answers, are available to view again on EMSA's website.

EMSA SPECIALISED OIL POLLUTION RESPONSE EQUIPMENT ARRIVES IN UKRAINE

Two sets of New Naval fence booms from EMSA's Equipment Assistance Service stockpile in Varna have been delivered to Odessa, Ukraine. The equipment, which totals 800 metres in length, has been donated to the Ukrainian Sea Ports Authority to assist in tackling potential pollution from sunk and damaged vessels in Kherson Port. All ports in Ukraine currently require equipment to combat marine pollution. The equipment is being donated to Ukraine by EMSA in the framework of the Black and Caspian Sea (BCSEA) II project.



The EMSA equipment being unloaded in Odessa port, ready to enter into service.

ERIC BANEL IS NEW DEPUTY CHAIR OF EMSA ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

At the 70th meeting of the EMSA Administrative Board, held on 6 June, Mr. Eric Banel, French General Director for Maritime Affairs, Fisheries, and Aquaculture was elected as Deputy Chair of EMSA's Administrative Board. The Chair of the Administrative Board is Mr. Wojciech Zdanowicz of the Polish Maritime Office, Szczecin.



The Executive Director of EMSA, Maja Markovčić Kostelac, with Mr. Banel after his election as Deputy Chair of EMSA's Administrative Board.

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TRAINING ON OIL POLLUTION RESPONSE EQUIPMENT SYSTEMS: THE NETHERLANDS

EMSA recently organised a hands-on training course in Werkendam in the Netherlands for equipment operators from EU/EFTA Member States. Over the course of three days, representatives from Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Latvia, Sweden, and The Netherlands were trained on the use of selected oil pollution response equipment systems that are part of EMSA's Equipment Assistance Service (EAS). The EAS can top-up Member States' capacities to respond to a pollution event at sea and is part of the toolbox of pollution response services that EMSA maintains in full operational readiness.



Hands-on EAS training in The Netherlands brought together equipment operators from all over the EU and ${\sf EFTA}$

FINALISTS ANNOUNCED: GREENING AWARD INITIATIVE

The Greening Award Initiative aims to celebrate the sustainability actions that are carried out and developed across more than 300 authorities that make up the European Coast Guard community. Jointly organised by the three European agencies tasked with supporting national authorities carrying out Coast Guard Functions: the European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA), EMSA, and the European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), the Greening Award Initiative recognises projects and activities developed by authorities carrying out Coast Guard Functions which empower a green transition, contribute to a more sustainable future, and which directly or indirectly support the goals of the European Green Deal. The application period for the 2024 edition closed on 31 March, and the winners will be announced during a special ceremony within the Annual European Coast Guard Event, held from 25-27 June. The Awards have three categories. The Greening Operations category encompasses operational actions and projects that have led to an improved environmental footprint. Actions and projects that have engaged and involved communities internal and external to the submitting organisation are covered by this category, as are collaborative

actions which may involve knowledge transfer inside or outside the organisation. The Outreach and Awareness category showcases the public-facing activities that authorities engaged in Coast Guard Functions have activated on sustainability themes. The Greening at Work category focuses on the practical application of sustainability in the workplace. It can include individual actions or larger-scale projects. All the finalist projects can be <u>viewed on EMSA's website</u>.



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PROCUREMENT: Procurement for training services for the maritime sector (21/06/2024); Supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) and associated services (21/06/2024); Provision of ICT services for upgrades, helpdesk, and maintenance related to HP-IMS (2024-2029) (15/07/2024); Framework Contract for Studies on Alternative Fuels as Marine Pollutants and Response to Accidental Releases (26/07/2024). See website for more.