

IN MEMORY OF JØRGEN HAMMER HANSEN (1948-2014)

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Jørgen Hammer Hansen on 31 January. Former Chairman of the EMSA Administrative Board from 2008 to 2012, Jørgen Hammer Hansen was a well-respected figure throughout the maritime industry and a great friend of EMSA. He will be sorely missed.



BALTIC STAKEHOLDERS PAY VISIT TO EMSA

On 23 January, a group of 30 participants visited EMSA as part of the "Baltic Leadership Programme for Maritime Safety and Security". They were representing maritime authorities and organisations in the Member States around the Baltic Sea as well as Norway and Russia. The morning was dedicated to learning more about EMSA's tasks, future challenges and revised Founding Regulation. Visitors then gave a lunchtime presentation to EMSA staff on the theme of "Regional work to advance maritime safety and security in the Baltic Sea Region", before entering into more detailed discussions on safety and security in the afternoon.



SAFESEANET INTERFACE GETS MAKEOVER



Two recent upgrades have improved the SafeSeaNet service EMSA offers to users. Firstly, the interface now displays data on nautical charts, making it easier and faster to obtain information. Secondly, the 'incident report exchange' has been expanded based on feedback from a two-year consultation. Details on a vessel involved in an accident or incident will now be updated and distributed to Member State authorities along the planned route of the ship. Member States tested the new functions during a series of training sessions held in EMSA and Belgium and gave very positive feedback. Further training will be given in 2014 and Member States are invited to express their interest to participate.

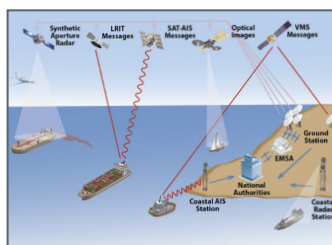
INTERNATIONAL SAFETY MANAGEMENT TRAINING FOR IPA COUNTRIES



Greater insight possible through simulated auditing scenarios

A two-day course for candidate and potential candidate countries was held at EMSA on 14-15 January. The course focused on a simulated ISM audit for passenger ships and was delivered by two representatives from the Italian Coastguard and an EMSA expert. Officials attended from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Turkey. The course covered several case studies, examining possible problems and how these could be tackled. The idea is to help participants develop a practical approach to passenger ship auditing techniques, and to improve their understanding of the latest ISM Code changes.

NEW VIDEO SHOWS POTENTIAL VALUE OF EMSA'S INTEGRATED MARITIME SERVICES



Pollution response, border control, anti-piracy, fisheries monitoring and drug surveillance are just some of the areas now benefiting from enhanced maritime monitoring services. A new video released in January explores EMSA's integrated maritime services and captures those who are already tapping into their potential. [Check out the video on our website.](#)

ON THE WEBSITE

Careers: Maritime Support Services Assistant with IT background (Deadline: 17/02/2014)

Procurement: Service contract for aerial application of dispersant services (Deadline: 10/02/2014); Service contracts for standby oil spill recovery vessels (Deadline: 18/02/2014); Oil spill monitoring and vessel detection services for EMSA CleanSeaNet (Deadline: 28/02/2014); Provision of Mobile Communication Services (Deadline: 10/03/2014); Provision of training services in fields related to maritime safety (19/03/2014)

Sale: Public sale of six oil/water separators to aid in the separation of oil from water in contaminated aquatic areas (Deadline: 10/03/2014)