Conference Services

Please find attached the presentation by Mr. Harry Liiv, Deputy Secretary General, Ministry of Environment, Estonia delivered at the Plenary Session 3 – Transport Security and co-operation issues, First Preparatory Conference to the 16th OSCE Economic and Environmental Forum “Maritime and inland waterways co-operation in the OSCE area: Increasing Security and protecting the environment” held in Helsinki, 10 - 11 September 2007.
Environment protection and marine transport: tight relations

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"MARITIME AND INLAND WATERWAYS CO-OPERATION IN THE OSCE AREA: INCREASING SECURITY AND PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT, CONFERENCE"
10.09.-11.09.2007

General overview

- Maritime activities
  - Transportation
    - business,
    - human and facility safety
    - human and facility security
    - Science
  - Environment
    - protection -
    - maritime Sciences
- Fisheries
- Recreation
- Sciences
- etc
Internal relations in Estonia

- Ministry of the Environment:
  - Estonian Environment Inspectorate
    - Environment law enforcement (including maritime pollution)
  - Estonia Environment Protection Center
    - Wildlife response

- Ministry of Internal Affairs:
  - Estonian Board of Border Guard
    - Rescue of human life (air and maritime accidents)
    - Pollution response
  - Estonian Rescue Board
    - Coastal pollution response
    - Fire-fighting
    - Chemical pollution response
  - Local municipalities
    - First and second tier response on the coastline
Internal relations in Estonia
Maritime Academy

- Education of relevant authorities to deal with marine traffic - and environment accidents.
- Education to be provided to all levels.

Maritime Academy

Ministry of Economic Affairs and Communication
Estonian Maritime Administration

- Provides MARPOL supervision in Estonia (focal point)
- Provides SOLAS supervision in Estonia (focal point)
- Provides 24 hour watch over Estonian Waterways traffic
- Holds share of AIS and GOFREP system
- Provides relevant information to interested partners as:
  - EEI (Estonian Environment Inspectorate)
  - EBG, Estonian (Board of Border Guard) etc
- Provides assistance on pollution response

MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT

MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND COMMUNICATIONS

"How inappropriate to call this planet Earth when it is quite clearly Ocean" attributed to Arthur C. Clarke

- Sustainable Maritime Development
- The Importance of the Marine Environment for the Sustainable Use of our Marine Resources
- Developing Europe’s Maritime Skills and Expanding Sustainable Maritime Employment
- The Regulatory Framework
- Adapting to Coastal Risks
- Taking Account of Geographical Realities
- Policy Making within the EU

Ministry of the Environment

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*Strategy directive in preparation*

- To contribute to coherence and integration between environmental concerns different policies, agreements and legislative measures which have an impact on the marine environment.
- Development of a Marine Strategy for its marine waters in accordance with the plan of action.
- Member States shall cooperate to ensure that, within each Marine Region or Sub-Region, the measures required to achieve the objectives of this Directive, in particular the different elements of the Marine Strategies.

- HELCOM BSAP accordingly
  - Baltic Sea Action Plan, Subregional plan to meet requirements of Maritime Nature
  - Four pillars:
    - Eutrophication
    - Hazardous substances
    - Biological diversity
    - Maritime activities

HELCOM BSAP Maritime Activities

- Enforcement of international regulations – No illegal pollution
- Safe maritime traffic without accidental pollution
- Efficient emergency and response capability
- Minimum pollution from sewage from ships
- No introductions of alien species from ships
- Minimum air pollution from ships
- Zero discharges from offshore platforms
Maritime Activities
Pollution on NorthWest Coast of Estonia

Maritime Activities
Runner 4 accident
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Runner 4 accident/

GOFREP example
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TEAM ONE
Denmark 4 ships

TEAM TWO
Sweden/Poland 4 ships

TEAM THREE
Latvia/EMS 5 ships

TEAM FOUR
Finland/Estonia 5 ships
Thank you