

### **European Tugowners Association**



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IMO meeting defines its emissions policy for the next decade

The 70th Meeting of the IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC70) gathered from 24th-28th October. During this meeting, member states reached a series of agreements which will define the sustainability of the shipping industry in the next decade.

The biggest decisions taken during the negotiations were the institution of a worldwide shipping sulphur cap and the adoption of new mandatory requirements to collect fuel oil consumption data. Other measures on nitrogen emissions in the Baltic and Northern Seas or the implementation of the Ballast Water Management Convention were also adopted.

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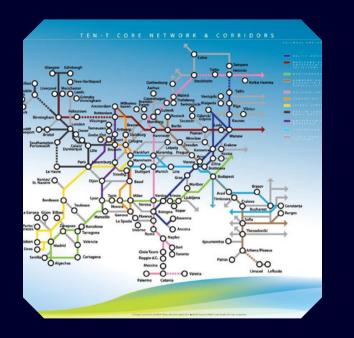
EC publishes midterm analysis of the Maritime Transport Strategy

The European Commission has recently published a Staff Working Document (SWD (2016) 326) on the implementation of the EU Maritime Transport Strategy 2009-2018. The analysis studies the degree of implementation of the 2009 Strategy and the necessary steps to adapt the EU legislation and initiatives to the goals set in the document.

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## The ETA participates in a collective campaign to boost EU Transport budget

30 transport associations from different sectors presented a campaign to compel the EU institutions to approve an increase in the Transport budget assigned to complete the TEN-T network.

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#### Anna Maria Darmanin participates in the Malta Maritime summit

The ETA participated in the Malta Maritime Summit which took place in Valleta from the 3rd to the 6th of October. This Summit was primarily aimed at giving industry a voice in the maritime sector primarily in view of Malta's upcoming Presidency of the Council of the EU next January; a Presidency whereby maritime affairs will be one of the key priorities.

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#### Juan Elías Vergara joins the ETA team

At the beginning of October, Juan Elías Vergara joined the ETA Secretariat as its Policy and Communications Officer. You can contact him in the following address j.vergara@eurotugowners.com.

## Next events

**14 NOV** 

16 DEC

27 FEB -2 MARCH

ETA Event on the Blue Economy

Brussels

FEPORT stakeholders conference Brussels

European Shipping Week Brussels

