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The European Maritime and Logistic cluster supports the Ljubljana Declaration for a stronger EU Budget

The Declaration reaffirms the need for a strong Connecting Europe Facility and EU transport budget to support long term growth and complete the TEN-T corridors.

The signatories underline the capital importance of transport to achieve the ambitious decarbonisation EU targets (a 20% reduction from 2008 levels by 2030, and a 60% reduction from 1990 levels by 2050) Moreover, the document addresses the disruption and opportunities created by digital technologies and how the sector must take full advantage of these to increase its efficiency.

The Ljubljana Declaration will be handed over during the next TEN-T Days, which this year will take place in Ljubljana from the 25-27th of April. The Coalition's objective is to use this high level event to present the campaign to policy makers and inform the public debate on the next EU budget.





The EC publishes a second notice on the effects of Brexit in the field of maritime transport

As a consequence of Brexit, the EU legislation and Treaties will cease to apply to the United Kingdom from 30 March 2019 unless the recently reached agreement on a transitional period up until the end of 2020 is signed. The implications of the United Kingdom's withdrawal will have a direct impact in the maritime sector:

- Intra-Union shipping services and third-country traffic. Under Regulation (EEC) No 4055/86 regulating freedom to provide transport services "nationals of Member States who are established in a Member State other than that of the person for whom the services are intended" and "nationals of the Member States established outside the EU", or "shipping companies established outside the EU and controlled by nationals of a Member State, if their vessels are registered in that Member State in accordance with its legislation" benefit of non-discriminatory treatment as regards international maritime transport connections. These provisions would change after Brexit.
- Recognition of maritime organisations. Article 8 of Regulation (EC) No 391/2009 establishes that the Commission together with the Member States will periodically assess the EU recognised international organisations entrusted with the inspection, survey and certification of ships. As of the withdrawal date, the United Kingdom will no longer participate in these assessments.



ETA participates in the ISU Associates' Day

The ISU's annual Associate Members' Day Conference in March attracted some 200 delegates representing a variety of organisations and professions in the shipping industry. ISU President, Ms Charo Coll, opened the event by thanking the ISU Associate Members for their professional support for the salvage industry and for the contribution many of them make during specific operations.

The keynote address examined shipping in the "exponential age" with Roger Adamson, CEO of Futureonautics, discussing how data is driving development and the rapid pace of change. He also considered the effects of societal and technical changes such as the impact of 3D printers on patterns of trade; "hyper-rationality" underpinning decision making and the role of unmanned and autonomous ships.

During the event, James Herbert ISU communication adviser presented the ISU Pollution Survey 2017. The figures depict an increase in the tonnes of pollution saved, from 2.7M tonnes in 2016 to 3.4M in 2017. This included 1.4M tonnes of bulk cargo and around 0.8M tonnes of crude oil that was prevented from entering the sea from damaged ships. The 2017 numbers also record a significant increase in the number of containers involved in salvage cases, rising from 21,244 TEU in 2016 to 45,655 TEU in 2017.

Next events

16-18 May

ETA 55th Annual Meeting
Antwerp

25 -29 June

International Tug, Salvage
and OSV Convention
Marseille