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of Maritime Clusters

Update ENMC April 2019 and upcoming events 2019

Dear all,

It has been a while since you heard of ENMC and we are happy to send you an update on what has been happening. We are looking forward to see you at one of the coming events. If you have any questions or remarks, please contact us at marjolein.van.noort@enmc.eu:

1. Invitation to ENMC meeting 4 June 2019 'Meet the maritime stakeholders and set common European maritime priorities 2019/ 2020' at SEA Europe, Brussels
On the 4th of June 2019 ENMC will host a meeting for the ENMC members and the European maritime associations. The meeting for ENMC members and European maritime associations will take place at SEA Europe in Brussels from 15h00 to 17h00. It will be preceded by an internal meeting of ENMC members from 13h00 – 14h45.
2. New coordinator ENMC: Marjolein van Noort
ENMC has found a new coordinator ('kwartiermaker' as said in Dutch): Marjolein van Noort. As a trained economist she has a background within the Dutch Ministry of Finance and the maritime industry. Marjolein works for the Dutch shipowners Association in the field of finance and economics and has worked for a shipbuilding company before. She takes a great interest in the innovative and sustainable character of the maritime sector and is a strong advocate of European cooperation.
3. ENMC at the conference "Sea + You = Tomorrow - Future for Ocean Governance and Blue Growth"

PRESS RELEASE of 2 April 2019 (Part of it)

"The High Level Conference "Sea + You = Tomorrow - Future for Ocean Governance and Blue Growth" was held in Brussels at the European Parliament on April 2nd, organized with the participation of the main maritime institutions by the Portuguese MEP José Inácio Faria, member of the Environment Committee, to address three important issues: shaping the global ocean governance for the future, achieve healthy and clean seas by 2030, promote a sustainable blue economy. ENMC (European Network of Maritime Clusters), the organization created in 2005 (www.enmc.eu) representing and promoting the Blue Economy in the European Union, of which Italy holds a vice-presidency, participated to the event with Laurence Martin, vice-secretary general of Federazione del Mare - Italian Maritime Cluster. It was stressed that the Blue Economy of the EU is growing constantly and that, with a turnover of beyond 560 billion euro, creates jobs for almost 3,5 million people and is a vital and strategic sector for Europe. With investments in innovation and through responsible ocean management, integrating environmental, economic and social aspects, the sector can grow steadily and double by 2030. Europe is a major maritime power: with 80% of the EU external trade and 40% of the EU internal trade carried by sea, shipping is vital for her and the fulcrum around which the maritime economy keeps turning. EU shipbuilding industry is the world leader as regards cruise vessels and pleasure yachts, while EU marine equipment supply



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industry is equipping half of the world. Particular emphasis was put on the fact that our world is changing, driven by challenges such as climate change and societal questions, barriers to free trade and security concerns, and with it the shipping sector too. These concerns are global and should be addressed through robust regulations set by international bodies. Concerning climate change, the maritime industry is committed to act responsibly and commit on ambitious targets. In order to take significant steps to ensure a zero-emission transport by 2050 and thus contribute to making Europe a climate-neutral society by that year, the maritime sector is open to continuing to invest and experiment, but to do so it demands stable policy choices and needs a fair and substantial share of funding from EU programmes such as Horizon Europe. In this way, Europe will contribute to the global fight against climate change, as well as helping European shipyards to compete in terms of innovation and enable the design and construction of the most innovative types of vessels. For these reasons, Europe and its Member States must now act in support of shipping, shipbuilding and maritime technology.”

4. The ENMC annual General meeting 2019 will take place in Rome on 18 and 19 November. More information will follow soon.
5. President Arjen Uytendaal will represent ENMC on the UN Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021-2030 1st Global Planning Meeting 13-15 May 2019, Copenhagen. The United Nations has proclaimed a Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development (2021-2030) to support efforts to reverse the cycle of decline in ocean health and gather ocean stakeholders worldwide behind a common framework that will ensure ocean science can fully support countries in creating improved conditions for sustainable development of the Ocean. As mandated by the UN General Assembly, the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO will coordinate the Decade’s preparatory process, inviting the global ocean community to plan for the next ten years in ocean science and technology to deliver, together, the ocean we need for the future we want. The Global Planning Meeting is an integral part of the Decade design process. It will provide the first forum for international, interdisciplinary and multi-stakeholder dialogues to contribute to the Preparation Phase of the Decade. The aim of the meeting is to engage stakeholders and provide inputs to the development of the Implementation Plan of the Decade. We are looking forward to your input!
http://www.unesco.org/new/fileadmin/MULTIMEDIA/HQ/SC/pdf/IOC_Gatefold_Decade_SinglePanels_PRINT.pdf
6. This year the World Ocean Council Summit will take place in Paris from 20 to 22 November. One of the main themes is sustainable finance. ENMC has quite a role at the so called SOS with Arjen Uytendaal as speaker and Frederic Moncany de Saint-Aignan as chair. Details can be found at <https://www.oceancouncil.org/event/sustainable-ocean-summit-2019/>
7. Our president Arjen Uytendaal was offered a key note speech slot on the first EOOS Conference took in Brussels on 21th November 2018. For a room packed with science people he was invited to present the business perspective. This is what afterwards was communicated via the finale report of the event:



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Arjen Uytendaal (European Network of Maritime Clusters, ENMC, Maritime by Holland) gave a business perspective on the marine knowledge value network. He identified several challenges for the blue sector, including: how to get young people interested in the blue sector; Research, Development and Innovation; the need for business to be competitive including the importance of creating a level playing field and; creating a strong and unified lobby for the ocean economy, to support business, policy makers and wider society. He remarked that data from

“Monitoring our ocean should not be a goal, but a beginning to support the blue economy and society.”

Arjen Uytendaal

different countries are still not always easily aggregated because of different definitions, interpretations and there remain many differences to be resolved e.g. through standards and methods.

