

PROPOSAL FOR A HARMONISED APPROACH TO SHIP WASTE HANDLING AND COMPLIANCE TO EU DIRECTIVE 2000/59 ON PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES IN THE ADRIATIC/IONIAN AREA.

Introduction

Implementation of the EU Directive EU 2000/59 showed in the recent EMSA evaluation of the Directive, to be complicated and difficult. Different approaches were adopted by different ports with very different results.

This is still a burden to the shipping industry to work with many different approaches in ports, when comes to ship waste delivery.

One way to overcome this is to establish a more harmonised approach in the Adriatic/Ionian area e.g. as seen in the Baltic Sea (Baltic Strategy).

Such approach could include harmonisation of waste notification, principle on how to recover cost of ship waste handling (waste fee) through an indirect fee and others issues of relevance e.g. contractual framework on how to involve private waste operators to ease the work by port authorities and the shipping industry.

Objective

To create a harmonised and uniform system to be implemented in ports in the Adriatic/Ionian area for ships to deliver their waste to port reception facilities, which will ease the work of shipping lines, agents and ship captains.

Outputs

- Uniform waste notification system agreed by national maritime administrations and implemented in ports.
- Uniform cost recovery principle e.g. based on the indirect fee principle which will eliminate speculations in where to deliver waste/discharge illegally
- Contractual framework on how to involve private waste operators in e.g. a BOOT model

Comments

Such a regional project could be financed by the “Marco Polo “ program.

If you need more info on project idea please do not hesitate to contact me

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