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Meeting of the international Steering Committee for the Priority Area on Maritime Safety and Security of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region in Espoo, 11 - 12 June 2014

The first day of the meeting will take place in the premises of the Aalto University, Otaniementie 19-21, Espoo, Finland. The meeting starts at 13:00 hrs on 11 June. A lunch will be hosted at 12:00 hrs.

The Steering Committee is invited to visit to the Aalto Ice Tank after the meeting at 16:00 hrs. A dinner will be hosted at 19:00 hrs in the city centre of Helsinki. Transport to the city centre will be arranged.

The second day of the meeting will take place in the premises of the Finnish Transport Safety Agency, Kumpulantie 9, Helsinki. The meeting will end approximately at 16:00 hrs on 12 June.

Day one- Wednesday 11 June 2014

1) **Welcome remarks**
   by Denmark and Finland as Priority Area Coordinators and by professor Pentti Kujala, Aalto University as host.

2) **Approval of the agenda and confirmation of approved final minutes**
   from the most recent Steering Committee meeting held on 13 November 2013 in Vilnius, Lithuania

3) **Activities of the Priority Area Coordinators**
   Update on initiatives taken by the PACs since the most recent meeting. A list of activities undertaken by PACs will be circulated prior to the meeting.

4) **Briefing from the 5th Annual Working Meeting and 5th Annual Stakeholder Forum**
   Priority Area Coordinators will brief about the results of the 5th Annual Working Meeting of the EUSBSR held on 9-10 April 2014 in Tallinn and the 5th Annual Stakeholder Forum of the EUSBSR held on 3-4 June 2014 in Turku.

5) **Baltic Leadership Programme for PA Safe**
   In collaboration with the Swedish Institute, a leadership training programme in European project

making for PA Safe took place in late 2013 and early 2014. Information on the programme and participants was previously sent to the Steering Committee. The intention was i.a. to improve knowledge of European project making and financing in the field of maritime safety and thereby boost the level of interest in initiating new projects. Steering Committee members have been encouraged to establish a dialogue with the participants from their country in order to assess possibilities for new initiatives and are invited to inform about their perceptions of the training efforts and opportunities that participants will become involved in project activities.

6) Discussion about a revision of the Action Plan

The Priority Area Coordinators are requested to conduct a continuous review of the Priority Area´s chapter in the Action Plan accompanying the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region. Steering Committee members are kindly encouraged to look into whether the chapter could benefit from an update – as concerns the description of the challenges, actions , targets & indicators or structure.

7) News from the European Commission

DG Mare is invited to brief on the state of affairs as concerns the EU Integrated Maritime Policy and its ambition to create a Common Information Sharing Environment (CISE) as well as information about project funding opportunities in the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund.

DG Regio is invited to inform about the overall progress of the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, the development of other macro-regional strategies in Europe as well as about relevant project funding opportunities offered by the European Structural and Investment Funds 2014-2020.

DG MOVE is invited to inform about the maritime related activities under the sector of Directorate General for Mobility and Transport.

Visit to the Aalto Ice Tank

The Aalto Ice Tank is a multipurpose basin mainly used for ice model scale tests, but also tests of sailing in open waters. The study visit will provide an opportunity for the Steering Committee to experience how maritime safety can be improved when sailing in icy waters.

Day two; Thursday 12 June 2014

The meeting will take place in the premises of the Finnish Transport Safety Agency, Kumpulantie 9, 00520 Helsinki

Welcome by Trafi representative

8) Progress of ongoing Flagship Projects

Flagship Projects are requested to brief on their respective progress since most the recent meeting.

- Speed up re-surveying of major shipping routes and ports
- Develop a plan to reduce the number of accidents in fisheries
- Minimising the risk of transportation of dangerous goods by sea (MIMIC)
  by Professor Pentti Kujala, Aalto University
- Development of Shipping Routes and e-Navigation in the Baltic Sea (MonaLisa)
- To Ensure Safe and Efficient Winter Navigation in the Baltic Sea (WINMOS)
  by Mr Jarkko Toivola, Head of Winter Navigation Unit, Finnish Transport Agency
- To create a centre for knowledge and innovation in the field of maritime safety and security (Baltic Maritime Science Park)

9) Progress of seed-money projects and update on EUSBSR Seed-Money Facility

The new EUSBSR Seed-Money Facility funded the initiation of three new projects in the field of PA Safe. These projects are invited to present their progress.

- Progress of ongoing Seed Money Projects
  - Geopositional early warning system integration for marine oil spills recognition in the Baltic Sea (GEOILWATCH) headed by Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia
  - Chemical risk assessment, management and recovery of the most commonly transported chemicals in the Baltic Sea (CHEMARE) headed by Kotka Maritime Research Association, Finland and
  - Crisis Communication Network (CCN) headed by the Swedish Coast Guard, Sweden.

The Priority Area Coordinators will inform about the future of the EUSBSR Seed-Money Facility. Members are encouraged to inform about their future plans regarding potential seed money projects.

10) Potential new Flagship Projects

Two projects have indicated ther interest to present themselves to the Steering Committee with the view to explore, if they could become new Flagship Projects of PA Safe.

- Vessel Triage headed by the Finnish Boarder Guard
- Enhanced Navigation Support Information (ENSI) headed by the John Nurminen Foundation, Finland.

The Steering Committee is invited to assess, whether these projects could become future Flagship Projects of the Priority Area.

Members are encouraged to inform about their future plans regarding new Flagship Projects.

11) Future activities of the Priority Area

Members are invited to take part in a discussion on future activities of the Priority Area, including a seminar on EU funding opportunities in the fall of 2014 as previously requested by the Steering Committee.

12) Any other business