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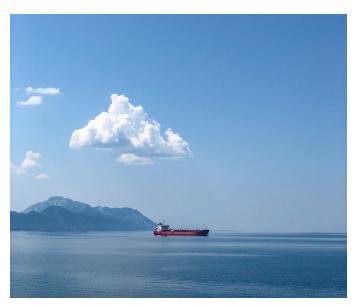
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# LAUNCH OF THE SECOND EDITION OF THE EUROPEAN MARITIME TRANSPORT ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT

On 4 February 2025, EMSA and the European Environment Agency (EEA) will jointly launch the second edition of the European Maritime Transport Environmental Report (EMTER) at a high-level conference streamed live from EMSA's Lisbon headquarters. Following on from the first edition of the report, published in 2021, the second edition provides a completely up to date and comprehensive overview of the environmental impact of the maritime transport sector in the EU across a wide range of indicators. With fully updated information and data, the report gives a factual analysis of the environmental pressures exerted by the maritime transport sector in areas like greenhouse gas emissions, air emissions, underwater noise, biodiversity, pollution, and marine litter. This latest edition, a joint project of EMSA and the European Environment Agency, not only evaluates progress achieved in recent years but also highlights the interconnectedness of maritime activities with broader ecological, economic, and social systems. It underscores the importance of implementing a wide range of environmental practices to mitigate the sector's environmental footprint while reinforcing maritime transport as a cornerstone of European trade and connectivity. EMTER also analyses current and future actions to reduce the maritime sector's impact on our environment, including in the context of new legislation on maritime decarbonisation supporting the European Green Deal. Following the report presentation, policymakers, industry and civil society representatives, and other maritime stakeholders will gather to discuss key findings and explore solutions to address the environmental impacts of maritime transport in the EU. Find out more and watch the event live.



The EMTER launch will take place in EMSA's headquarters on 4 February 2025

# EMSA AND DG SANTE HOLD WORKSHOP ON ANIMAL WELFARE INSPECTIONS FOR SEA LIVESTOCK VESSELS

On 14 January, EMSA co-hosted with the European Commission's Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (DG SANTE), a technical workshop on Animal Welfare inspections on sea livestock vessels. Experts from Member State authorities participated in-person and remotely. The workshop was an opportunity for DG SANTE to share information on upcoming projects, digitalisation initiatives and exchange views on best practices regarding inspections. EMSA delivered a training session on the THETIS-EU Animal Welfare inspection module and discussed possible future developments to the inspection database.



### COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN EMSA AND EUNAVFOR ASPIDES

EMSA Executive Director Maja Markovčić Kostelac has formally signed the Cooperation Agreement between EMSA and the European Union´s Naval Force EUNAVFOR Operation ASPIDES. Under the Cooperation Agreement, EMSA will support the mission of EUNAVFOR ASPIDES with our integrated maritime services and datasets.



Our Exeuctive Director signs the Cooperation Agreement with EUNAVFOR ASPIDES, represented by Captain (EL - N) Symeon Tsagkadas, Chief of Staff

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#### CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS FOR THE EMSA TECH TALK "ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE"

EMSA is pleased to invite expressions of interest from companies and academic institutions to participate in its inaugural Tech Talk. The first EMSA Tech Talk will focus on the theme of "Artificial Intelligence: Transforming Industries and Operations". This event aims to promote a culture of innovation and cross-fertilisation within EMSA by inviting external companies and academia to showcase their latest advancements in the field of Artificial Intelligence relevant to the Maritime Sector, as well as to the automation of administrative processes (e.g, HR, finance, legal, public procurement). We encourage submissions from qualified companies and academic institutions with expertise in Al solutions in any of the following areas of interest: Artificial Intelligence in the Maritime Sector: Applications for navigation, safety, resource management, data analysis, predictions, and other maritime operations and Artificial Intelligence for the automation of administrative processes: Solutions for automation, efficiency, and improved workflows within administrative tasks. The deadline for submissions is 5 March 2025. Find out more



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**VACANCIES:** Call for expression of interest for an Officer: Maritime Support Services; See website for more.

**PROCUREMENT:** Equipment Assistance Service (EAS) Black Sea (10/02/2025); SATCOM connectivity services for ship based RPAS operations based on (GEO/MEO) traditional technologies (12/02/2025) Study on Autonomous Navigation, Communication, and Connectivity for MASS (03/03/2025); RPAS Services for Multipurpose Maritime Surveillance (12/03/2025); Lightweight RPAS services supporting pollution response and multipurpose maritime surveillance (18/03/2025); LRPAS service for emissions monitoring (24/03/2025). See website for more.