

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities DG

Social Dialogue, Social Rights, Working Conditions, Adaptation to Change **Social Dialogue, Industrial Relations**

SECTORAL DIALOGUE COMMITTEE
ON
INLAND WATERWAYS

Work programme 2007-2008

| WHAT? | HOW? | WHEN? | |
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| Theme | Planned action and result | Timetable | |
| Working time | | | |
| Adapting the general rules on working time (Directive 2003/88/EC concerning certain aspects of the organisation of working time) to the specific needs of the sector | Reaching a social partner agreement on working time in the inland waterways sector | By March 2008 | |
| NAIADES ¹ – Jobs and skills | | | |
| Harmonisation of job profiles | Comparing the studies "Job profiles for inland navigation in the Danube region" (IVDS), "Beroepencluster (SERV) and "Beroepsprofielen in de Europese Binnenvaart – Een vergelijkend onderzoek" (ISEOCONSULT) | By the end of 2007 | |
| Harmonisation of manning requirements | Taking stock of current rules on the basis of a future inventory provided by the Commission | Preferably after reaching an agreement on working time | |

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See Communication from the Commission on the promotion of inland waterway transport "Naiades", COM(2006) 6 final of 17.1.2006

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| Improve working and living conditions on board | Analysis of existing national and international regulations concerning ship construction and methods of setting standards | Beginning of 2008 | |
| NAIADES – Level-playing field | | | |
| Combat unfair competition | Collecting case studies which illustrate unfair competition or social dumping | Urgent | |

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