

**MARITIME SECTORAL DIALOGUE  
WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2009/2010**

<b>ISSUES</b>	<b>METHODOLOGY</b>	<b>WHO</b>	<b>OUTPUT</b>
Social Partners' agreement on ILO Maritime Labour Convention, 2006	<p>Discussion on the way forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouraging social partners at national level to assist Member States in the transposition of the EC directive implementing the SPA</li> <li>• Monitoring the proposal for an enforcement directive (port state, flag state obligations, etc.)</li> <li>• Encouraging a speedy ratification of the Convention by MS</li> </ul>	ETF, ECSA and Commission (horizontal issue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective and uniform implementation of the EC Directive on the SPA on ILO MLC 2006</li> <li>• Enforcement Directive</li> <li>• Possible ETF/ECSA joint initiatives for assisting MS during the transposition period</li> </ul>
Seafarer recruitment and training	<p>Establishment of a WG to put together a joint Workshop to both share information and 'best practice' and to draw conclusions on the challenges facing the industry in the area of seafarer training and recruitment.</p> <p>A joint ETF/ECSA project on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attracting young people to the seafaring profession in sufficient numbers to reflect the needs of each Member State. (ETF to wait for precise terms of reference of the WG before agreeing on this point)</li> <li>• Increasing training programmes</li> <li>• Improving the knowledge and image of maritime profession.</li> <li>• Tackling the issues of demographic</li> </ul>	ETF and ECSA and the Commission (horizontal issue)	Joint Workshop in 2009 on an exchange of information and best practice.

	change and ageing workforce		
Commission communication on “Reassessing the regulatory social framework for more and better seafaring jobs in the EU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion on the second phase of consultation, i.e. possible revision of five EU Labour directives currently excluding seafarers from their scope of application</li> </ul>	ETF, ECSA and Commission (horizontal issue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible ETF/ECSA joint response to the Commission</li> </ul>
Strategic goals and recommendations for the EU maritime transport policy in the horizon 2008-2018 and future Commission’s proposals	<p>Social partners involvement in the commission - task force on “employment conditions of EU seafarers and the competitiveness of the European fleet”</p> <p>Monitoring and discussion on the forthcoming Commission’s proposals, in particular:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. European Maritime Clusters;</li> <li>b. Action plan to increase labour mobility in maritime professions / follow up of the study on a mapping of career paths in the Maritime industries</li> <li>c. Action plan for the establishment of a Certificate of Maritime Excellence</li> </ol>	ETF, ECSA and Commission (Horizontal issue)	<p>Possible ETF/ECSA common position on the different Commission proposals</p> <p>Appointment of social partners representatives to take part in the Commission task force</p>

<p>Health and Safety in the Maritime sector</p>	<p>ETF/ECSA Working Group Issues to be discussed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dissemination of EU centralised and comprehensive statistics on deaths and accidents at sea at European level</li> <li>• Joint initiatives and exchange of best practices on health and safety issues: obesity, nutrition, health and exercise, stress and fatigue</li> <li>• Encouraging awareness campaigns at national level towards shipping companies and seafarers on responsibilities and obligations onboard stemming from EU legislation</li> <li>• Monitoring/Compilation of initiatives being taken by Member States and Social partners at national level to meet existing requirements, and exchange of best practice</li> <li>• Discussion on the role of human factors in maritime casualties (working and living conditions; adequate training)</li> </ul>	<p>ETF and ECSA (Health &amp; Safety WG)</p>	<p>Possible joint ECSA / ETF position / initiatives</p>
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Maritime Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring the effective implementation of the third Maritime Safety package at national level</li> <li>• Promoting tighter controls on technical casualty investigations and closer cooperation between Member States</li> </ul>	ETF, ECSA and Commission (horizontal issue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible ETF/ECSA common position</li> </ul>
Security/Seafarers ID	Monitoring/Review of ratification of Convention 185/access difficulties for seafarers	ETF and ECSA (horizontal issue)	Possible ECSA/ETF position