

**MARITIME SECTORAL DIALOGUE
WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2009**

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

	change and ageing workforce		
<p>Commission communication on "Reassessing the regulatory social framework for more and better seafaring jobs in the EU"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on the second phase of consultation, i.e. possible revision of five EU Labour directives currently excluding seafarers from their scope of application 	ETF, ECSA and Commission (horizontal issue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible ETF/ECSA joint response to the Commission
<p>Strategic goals and recommendations for the EU maritime transport policy in the horizon 2008-2018 and future Commission's proposals</p>	<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"> European Maritime Clusters; Action plan to increase labour mobility in maritime professions / follow up of the study on a mapping of career paths in the Maritime industries Action plan for the establishment of a Certificate of Maritime Excellence 	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>

Health and Safety in the Maritime sector

ETF/ECSA Working Group
Issues to be discussed

- Dissemination of EU centralised and comprehensive statistics on deaths and accidents at sea at European level
- Joint initiatives and exchange of best practices on health and safety issues: obesity, nutrition, health and exercise, stress and fatigue
- Encouraging awareness campaigns at national level towards shipping companies and seafarers on responsibilities and obligations onboard stemming from EU legislation
- Monitoring/Compilation of initiatives being taken by Member States and Social partners at national level to meet existing requirements, and exchange of best practice
- Discussion on the role of human factors in maritime casualties (working and living conditions; adequate training)

ETF and ECSA
(Health & Safety
WG)

Possible joint ECSCA / ETF position
/ initiatives

Maritime Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring the effective implementation of the third Maritime Safety package at national level • Promoting tighter controls on technical casualty investigations and closer cooperation between Member States 	ETF, ECSA and Commission (horizontal issue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Possible ETF/ECSA common position
Security/Seafarers ID	Monitoring/Review of ratification of Convention 185/access difficulties for seafarers	ETF and ECSA (horizontal issue)	Possible ECSA/ETF position