



# “Safety and Environmental Protection of Maritime Transport in Europe and Southeast Asia: current status, best practices, and know-how transfer issues”

\*Simultaneous translation will be available

## ▶ INTRODUCTION:

Robust economic growth in Asia coupled by constant increases in the global distribution of manufactured goods of which the large majority are manufactured in Asia have resulted in high transport growth. Transport is, however, a source of environmental contamination not only because of gas emissions, but also because of the transport of dangerous goods, of fuels and lubricants.

Recent accidents have highlighted the need to deal with contamination problems generated by vessels and insecure operations in maritime transport. Spills of residues and contamination by hydrocarbons are unfortunately phenomena on the increase. Operations of spills of a vessel's machinery in the sea or cleaning of the hulls and holds of the tanks of vessels between different loads of different oil derivatives or hydrocarbons and the spill of the residues to the sea, caused by the fact that the cost of such cleaning procedures is very high in ports, are unacceptable but very common practices. Such illegal activities discredit the friendly environmental perception of maritime transport, constituting as well a serious threat to marine surroundings and maritime transport. We therefore have the urgent need to put forth a response to this problem and raise an active and comprehensive awareness of the environmental impact of maritime transport in Asia as a whole and South-East Asia in particular.

## ▶ DATE & VENUE:

The workshop will take place at **Hotel SOLVASA Valencia** (Avda. del Puerto, 129) on **October 19th 2006**.

## ▶ REGISTRATION:

The assistance is free of charge, it is only required to fill in a **pre-inscription form** and send it by e-mail to: **info@fundacion.valenciaport.com** or by fax to: **+34 96 393 94 63** before October 16th. **Limited seats** (Bookings will be considered in rigorous inscription order).

## ▶ PROGRAMME:

**Registration:** 09:00 - 09:30

**Session I:** 09:30 - 10:30

**Opening ceremony**

**Chair: Prof. George Giannopoulos, Director of Hellenic Institute of Transport, Greece**

- **Welcome by Port Authority of Valencia**, Rafael Aznar, *President*  
 - **Welcome by Fundación Valenciaport**, Antonio Torregrosa, *Project director*

- **GRACE Project Overview**, Dr. Yannis Tyrinopoulos, *Hellenic Institute of Transport*

**Coffee Break:** 10:30 - 11:00

**Session II:** 11:00 - 12:30

**Safety and Environmental Protection issues for Ports**

- **“The International Port Safety and Environment Protection Management (IPSEM) Code”**, Dr. Hans Gerd Knoop, *Nautical Faculty of the Bremen University of Applied Sciences, Germany*  
 - **The Greek case**, Dr. Aristotelis Alexopoulos, *Hellenic Institute of Transport*

- **“Capacity Building to implement scientific instruments for ports' environmental management in Vietnam and Cambodia”**  
 Katrien Van De Sijpe, *Free University of Brussels*

**Discussion**

**13:00 - 14:30 LUNCH BREAK**

**Session III:** 14:30 - 16:00

**“Safety and Environmental Protection issues for (open seas) maritime transport”**

**Chair: Mr. Rafael Sapiña, Fundación Valenciaport, Spain**

- **“European best practices on Safety and Environmental Protection issues for maritime transport”**, Mr. Angel Leon, *Technical University of Hamburg-Harburg, Maritime Logistics - ISSUS, Germany*

- **SASEMAR**, Mss. Pilar Tejo, *SASEMAR General Manager*

- **“Main needs and problems in maritime transport safety and environmental protection in Southeast Asia”**, Mr. Pakorn Prasertwong, *Chief of Marine Environment Division, Marine Department, Ministry of Transport, Thailand*

**Discussion**

**Coffee Break:** 16:00 - 16:30

**Session IV:** 16:30 - 18:00

**“Safety and Environmental Protection issues for the vicinity of port areas (port/open seas interface)”**

**Chair: Mr. Anusorn Lovichit, Thai International Freight Forwarders Association (TIFFA), Thailand**

- Mr. Federico Torres *Director of General Port Services, Safety, Security and Environmental Issues, Port Authority of Valencia*  
 - Mr. Juan Manuel Díez, *Reports*

- Mr. Fernando Santos Agúndez, *Port Authority of Valencia*

- **“Legal Framework for maritime transport safety and environmental policy in Southeast Asia, as proposed by Project GRACE”**, Mr. Nguyen Viet Anh, *VINAMARINE*

**Discussion**

**18:00 Closure of the Workshop**

