

PHARE 2005

Title: Maritime safety: Enforcement of Administrative Capacity - Monitoring and Management of Vessels

Overall Objective(s)

Improvement of maritime safety and prevention of pollution from ships in line with the Directive 2002/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2002 establishing a Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system and repealing Council Directive 93/75/EEC

Project purpose

Enhancement of administrative and technical efficiency of Maritime Administration in monitoring and management of vessels with a special regard to vessels carrying dangerous and polluting goods

Background and justification

In respect of the **EU policy papers** the project proposal is based on the Commission White Paper on the European transport policy, in general, and on the Directive 2002/59/EC establishing a Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system and repealing Council Directive 93/75/EEC, in particular.

Specific objectives:

- Implementation of Directive 2002/59/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 June 2002 establishing a Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system and repealing Council Directive 93/75/EEC,
- Improving the response of authorities to accidents and incidents at sea,
- Facilitating search and rescue operations at sea,
- Contributing to a better prevention and detection of pollution by ships,
- Assisting in the development of an effective Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Information System (VTMIS) as a Coastal VTS mainly concerned with vessel traffic passing through a sea area,
- Continue the transposition of the *acquis communautaire* in the field of maritime safety and in particular the Directives linked to the vessel traffic monitoring and information system,
- Enhancing the efficiency of maritime traffic in the Adriatic Sea contributing to a better development of Short Sea Shipping and Motorways of the Sea.

Project activities:

1. "EU PHARE Institution Building Twinning project, Institutional Capacity Building in the Field of Maritime Safety"(TWINNING)
 - a) Education and training of AIS Operators
 - b) Elaboration of a Conceptual model of Dangerous and Polluting Goods Database
 - c) Preliminary drafting of VTMIS Procedures and Arrangements Manual
 - d) Education and training of personnel on marine casualty investigation
 - e) Study visit to VTMIS resources and competent authorities in EU Member States
2. „Functional and Technical Study on Vessel Traffic Monitoring and Information System“ (TA)