

EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region
Policy Area on Clean Shipping (PA Ship)

8th international Steering Committee meeting

30 May 2017 08:00 to 09:30 AM

Hotel Renaissance, 19 Rue du Parnasse, 1050 Brussels (room: Lisbon)

*The meeting will be held in connection with the event “**The future of maritime safety and security and clean shipping in the Baltic Sea Region**” where the ongoing and recently completed Flagship Projects will present themselves. The event includes a panel discussion with Members of the European Parliament (MEPs) about future priorities of e.g. clean shipping in the Baltic Sea region and will include input and feedback from industry stakeholders, the European Commission and others on the activities of PA Ship and its Flagship Projects as well as on how to create a stronger link between PA Ship and maritime industry stakeholders. The conclusions from the event will contribute to strengthening the strategic direction of PA Ship.*

*A joint dinner (at own expense) will be organised at restaurant **Ergon**, which is located close to the meeting venue, on **29 May 2017 at 7.30 PM**.*

Annotated Agenda

1) Welcome remarks

By the Policy Area Coordinator (PAC)

2) Approval of the agenda and confirmation of the final minutes

Minutes from the latest Steering Committee meeting held 10 November 2016 in Stockholm, Sweden.

3) Activities of the Policy Area Coordinator

Update on initiatives taken by the PAC since the latest meeting.

Steering Committee members are invited to comment.

4) News from the European Commission

Odd Godal from DG REGIO will inform about the most recent developments of relevance to stakeholders within the EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region, including information about the recently adopted Council Conclusions on the implementation of EU macro-regional strategies, the EUSBSR Annual Forum and the “EUSBSR Support” and “Let’s Communicate” projects.

Steering Committee members are invited to comment and ask questions.

5) Update on funding opportunities

Andris Andrusaitis, Programme Manager from the BONUS Secretariat, will inform of recent developments within the BONUS programme and of possibilities for clean shipping projects in the BONUS Programme.

The PAC will inform of relevant upcoming funding opportunities.

Steering Committee members are invited to comment.

6) Seed Money Projects

The PAC will present the final results of the recently concluded Seed Money projects:

1. Green InfraPort – sustainable green infrastructure facilities (Green InfraPort) led by Baltic Ports Organisation
2. Transforming waste and refuses to energy in shipping especially in cruise shipping (W2E in Cruise Shipping) led by IBZ Association for Innovation and Education Centre for Research and Development

The Steering Committee members are invited to comment and ask questions.

7) Potential new Flagship Projects

Potential new Flagship Projects are invited to present scopes and objectives of their projects.

8) Status of other Policy Areas of relevance to PA Ship

Other Policy Areas of relevance to PA Ship are invited to give an update on relevant activities or discuss potential cooperation with PA Ship.

The Steering Committee members are invited to comment and ask questions.

9) Discussion on internal procedures and strategy of PA Ship

Currently, the EUSBSR stakeholders, in particular the PAC/HAC group are discussing what the flagship status entails, including whether there is a need for aligning procedures for granting flagship status further. The PAC will inform about the ongoing discussions and examples from other Policy Areas.

The Steering Committee members are invited to comment and ask questions.

10) Any other business

Daria Akhutina will inform of the plans of the upcoming Swedish presidency of the CBSS Expert Group on Maritime Policy.