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Establishment of common principles and technical requirements for pan-European River Information Services (RIS): International Standard for Tracking and Tracing on Inland Waterways (VTT)

Amendment proposals

Transmitted by the Russian Federation

1. The Russian Federation would like to draw attention to the inconsistencies contained in document ECE/TRANS/SC.3/WP.3/2013/5 regarding the use of AIS Class B (CS) stations on inland waterways.
2. In the section 2.3.4, Technology platform, the use of AIS Class B (CS) stations is declared impossible. In chapter 3, AIS Class B mobile station on inland waterways, the term «AIS Class B» is used and reference is made to the associated IEC 62287 Standard, which also includes AIS Class B (CS) stations.
3. In order to rectify these inconsistencies the Russian Federation proposes to add the following paragraph to para. 3.1 of chapter 3 (source: ECE/TRANS/SC.3/2012/9):

The use of AIS Class B (CS) stations should be restricted to recreational craft. Particular vessel types of a certain length, such as tugboats and service vessels, should be authorized to use AIS Class B SO transponders. The competent national authorities must ensure the control and integrity of the AIS VHF data link.
