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## **Working Party on Inland Water Transport**

### **Working Party on the Standardization of Technical and Safety Requirements in Inland Navigation**

#### **Fifty-eighth session**

Geneva, 17–19 February 2021

Item 3 of the provisional agenda

#### **Workshop “Climate change and the extreme water situation on European waterways and its impact on inland water transport”**

## **Digital Workshop “Greening of Inland Navigation, Short Sea Shipping and River-Sea Shipping”**

### **Transmitted by the European River-Sea-Transport Union**

Strengthening inland navigation, short sea shipping and river-sea shipping in Europe in a targeted manner is a key element in reducing greenhouse gas emissions (GHG). While these modes of transport already have all the ingredients of climate- and environment-friendlier freight transport, their emissions must nonetheless be considered and reduced.

In this digital workshop we want to examine the possibilities for reduction of GHG and pollutant emissions while discussing which steps are necessary to ensure that this mode of transport is well equipped to become even more sustainable and innovative in future. Against the background of the European Green Deal, the BSR Access project platform in cooperation with the European River Sea Transport Union (ERSTU), the European Barge Union (EBU), the Maritime Cluster Northern Germany (MCM) and the Short Sea Shipping Inland Waterway Promotion Center (SPC) therefore invited experts from the sector to present potential solutions and engage in a joint discussion.

The workshop will take place on 24 March 2021, 10:00 to 12:00 (CET).

**Programme of the workshop  
“Greening of Inland Navigation, Short Sea Shipping and River-Sea Shipping”**

**Date: 24 March 2021, 10:00 - 12:00 CET**

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| 10:00       | <b>Welcome</b>                                   | Inga Gurries, Project Manager Port of Hamburg Marketing |
| 10:05-10:30 | <b>Key Note</b>                                  | Theresia Hacksteiner, Secretary General EBU             |
| 10:30-11:10 | <b>Introductory presentations</b>                |   |
|             | <b>Methanol production</b>                       | Ingvar Landälv, Fuels & Energy Consulting               |
|             | <b>Retrofitting methanol</b>                     | Werner Plenkmann, ARKON Shipping                        |
|             | <b>Hydrogen powered vessels</b>                  | Benjamin Weinacht, CMB Germany                          |
|             | <b>National regulation for alternative fuels</b> | Saeed Mohebbi, Swedish Transport Agency                 |
| 11:15-12:00 | <b>Panel discussion with all speakers</b>        |   |

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