



# Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea (REMPEC)

## Albania



### Country information

Capital	Tirana
Languages	Albanian
Main Ports	Durres
Additional Ports	Vlore, Saranda, Shengjin
Coastline (km)	429.0
Production (bbl/day)	5985.0
Exportation (bbl/day)	748.9
Imports (bbl/day)	24080.0
Fuel type	Main production: Condensate Oil (light)
Offshore Production	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Contact list

In order to access to all contact details of government officials, focal points are invited to log in on the website with their credentials

# Conventions

## Approved

### Regional Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international instrument in the national legislation
<a href="#">Barcelona Convention</a>	30/05/1990	
<a href="#">Emergency Protocol, 1976</a>	30/05/1990	

### International Convention

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international instrument in the national legislation
<a href="#">OPRC, 1990</a>	02/01/2008	
<a href="#">OPRC-HNS Protocol, 2000</a>	19/01/2015	
<a href="#">CLC 1992</a>	30/06/2005	
<a href="#">FUND 1992</a>	30/06/2005	
<a href="#">Bunker Convention, 2001</a>	30/07/2010	
<a href="#">LLMC Protocol 96</a>	07/06/2004	
<a href="#">Wreck Removal Convention, 2007</a>	27/04/2015	
<a href="#">LLMC 1976</a>	07/06/2004	
<a href="#">SALVAGE 1989</a>	14/06/2006	
<a href="#">Offshore Protocol</a>	26/07/2001	

## Unapproved

### Regional Convention

[Prevention and emergency protocol, 2002](#)

### International Convention

[1996 HNS Convention](#)

[INTERVENTION Protocol 1973](#)

[INTERVENTION 1969](#)

[FUND Protocol 2003](#)

[SCP CEG](#)

## National & regional system - National & regional plan

### National contingency plan

Approved	Drafted	Under preparation	None	Supported by REMPEC	Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	25/07/2012
Test type					
Test frequency					
Relevant national legislation adopting the plan		Decision No 480 of the Council of Ministers			
The plan maintenance		Inter-agency Maritime Operational Centre (IMOC)			
Implementing the plan		Inter-agency Maritime Operational Centre (IMOC)			

### Subregional Agreements

# National & regional system - response strategy

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Satellite image	
Aerial surveillance	
Naval surveillance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Note : "Project of a monitoring network in the marine waters of the South Adriatic Sea" has been carried out in 2000-2001 by CoNISMa, an Italian institution, involving 25 universities
Forecasting models	

## Response at sea

Use of dispersant	
Aerial surveillance	
Related Legislation	
Delimitation zones for the use of dispersants	
Authority in charge of authorisation identified	
Dispersant testing procedures	
List of approved products	
List of competent laboratories authorized	
Containment and recovery	
In situ burning	

## Shoreline protection and cleanup

Shoreline protection	
Shoreline cleanup	

## Communication

Operation activities	
Government/Industry relation	
Public relation	
Media relation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## Waste management

National policy regarding oily waste	
Treatment/disposal facilities/solutions	

## Experts

Integration of international experts in the coordination body	
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## Claims

Claims legal basis at national level	
Claims included in the contingency plan	
National structure dealing with claims	

## Volunteers management

Volunteers management considered in the plan	
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## Faune protection

Measures for faune protection (Protected species and other marine fauna)	
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## Expertise

### Preparedness

Expert and training Centres		
Sensitivity mapping	<input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Chemicals	
Risk assessment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chemicals	
Contingency planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Oil <input type="checkbox"/> Chemicals	
Training of personnel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oil <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chemicals	Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication

### Response

Expert and training Centres	
Fire fighting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Response to oil spills at sea	
Response to oil on shore	
Response to spills/releases of HNS	
Recovery of lost Packages of HNS	
Aerial Surveillance	
Satellite images	
Overall emergency management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Shoreline decontamination	
Modelling and forecasting	
Impact - Wildlife and birds	Ministry of Public Works ,Transport and Communication
Impact - Fisheries/fish farming	
Accident site restoration (oil)	
Accident site restoration (chemicals)	

### Expertise and services

## Trans-Boundary arrangements

### Provider

To whom the request has to be addressed

Full name of the institution

Department or position

Address (number, street, city)

Telephone (24 hours a day)

Telefax

Working hours

E-mail

### Boundary

To whom the request has to be addressed

Financial conditions for  
expert services

Restrictions (visa, etc.)  
concerning travel to any  
Mediterranean country? If  
yes, please indicate which  
countries

Financial and other  
conditions (transportation,  
etc.) for making the  
equipment or product  
available to a requesting  
party

Location of equipment and  
products and nearest port or  
airport (city/port, city/airport)

## Training and follow-up

### REMPEC Focal points meeting

Year	Representative	Ministry/Department/Division
2007	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2005	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2003	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist/Maritime Transport Directorate	Ministry of Transport and Telecommunication
2009	Mr. Sokol Kapidani, Director of Maritime Transport Policy	Ministry of Public, Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2009	Mr. Domi Hamdi, Vice General Harbour Master	Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication
2003	Ms. Gentiana Hasko, Director of Legislation and Foreign Relations	Ministry of Environment of Albania
2000	Mr. Arben Maloku, Specialist - Directorate of Maritime Transport	Ministry of Transport
2011	Ms Edesa Metaj, Specialist	Ministry of Public Works and Transport

### Regional activities

Date	Activity name	Country participant name
11/2000	Regional Training Course, Naples, Italy, 6-10 Nov. 2000	MEDEXPOL 2000 – Regional Seminar for Government Administrators and Senior Managers (on Accidental Marine Pollution preparedness and response)
03/2000	Regional Training Course In Brest, France 21-25 March 2000	MEDEXPOL 99/2 Regional Training Course on New Techniques for Shoreline Pollution (Oil/Chemical) Clean-up
12/2001	Regional Training Course, Genoa, Italy, 10-14 Dec. 2001	MEDEXPOL 2001 – Regional Training Course on Prevention, Preparedness and Response to accidents involving hazardous substances at ship-shore interface
10/2002	Regional Seminar – St George's Bay, Malta, 29 Oct. -2 Nov. 2002	MEDIPOLE 2002 - Regional Seminar on response to Oil and Chemical spills for Governments Administrators and senior Managers
10/2003	Workshop – Toulon, France, 2 – 4 Oct. 2003	MEDIPOLE 2003 – European Workshop on Satellite Imagery and illicit oil spills in Europe and in the Mediterranean and Field activities in Rognac, Marseilles
12/2003	Regional Workshop – Malta, 11-13 Dec. 2003	MARPOL Annex I Workshop – Regional Workshop on the Implementation of MARPOL 73/78 Annex I in the Mediterranean region
12/2004	Regional Alert Exercise – Dec. 2004	Regional Alert Exercise MEDIPOLEX 2004, organized in close collaboration with the national Focal Point of Cyprus, held on 7-8 Dec. 2004.
11/2004	Regional Seminar - Malta, 24 – 26 November 2004	Regional Seminar on Port Reception Facilities for Collecting Ship-Generated Garbage, Bilge Waters and Oily Wastes in the Mediterranean.
11/2007	Regional Seminar – 27 – 30 Nov. 2007, Marseilles, France	MEDEXPOL 2007 - Regional Seminar on Illicit Discharges from Ships and Prosecution of Offenders



Date	Activity name	Country participant name
04/2008	Introductory Training Course	Introductory Training Course on Ballast Water Management, 14-18 April, Alexandria, Egypt

## National activities

Date	Activity name
11/2003	National Seminar on preparedness and response to accidental marine pollution for Government Administrators and Senior Managers – Durres, Albania, 24-26 Nov. 2003
12/2006	National Training Course on Preparedness and Response to marine Pollution for Government Administrators and Senior Managers – Durres, Albania, 13-15 Dec. 2006
12/2006	Meeting between the Head of Department, Policy of Maritime Transport, Ministry of Transport and Telecommunication and REMPEC, 14 December 2006
10/2006	National Training Course on the MARPOL Convention, Durres, Albania, 25-27 Oct. 2006
09/2010	Field Mission for the Finalization of the National Contingency Plan of Albania

## Prevention

### Internation Conventions of prevention

#### Approved

Legal Instrument	Ratification	Implementation Transposition of the international intrument in the national legislation
<a href="#">SOLAS 74</a>	07/06/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS 1974)
<a href="#">SOLAS Protocol 78</a>	07/06/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the Protocol of the year 78 of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1974 (SOLAS Protocol 78)
<a href="#">Load Line 1966</a>	30/05/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Load Lines, 1966
<a href="#">TONNAGE 69</a>	03/04/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 (Tonnage 1969)
<a href="#">COLREG 72</a>	15/04/2004	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea, 1972 (COLREG 1972)
<a href="#">STCW 78</a>	20/03/2002	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention on Standard of Training, Certification and Watch keeping for Seafarers, 1978 (STCW 1978)
<a href="#">UNCLOS</a>	23/06/2003	☑ The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the United Nations Convention On the Law of the Sea

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<a href="#">BWM 2004</a>	15/01/2009	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships' Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 (BWM 2004)
<a href="#">MARPOL Annex I &amp; Annex II</a>	09/01/2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
<a href="#">MARPOL Annex III</a>	09/01/2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
<a href="#">MARPOL Annex IV</a>	09/01/2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
<a href="#">MARPOL Annex V</a>	09/01/2007	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Parliament of Republic of Albania approved the law for the adherence of the Republic of Albania to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as amended by the 1978 Protocol relating thereto (MARPOL 73/78) Annex I; II; III; IV and V
<a href="#">MARPOL Annex VI</a>	19/11/2020	

#### Unapproved

Legal Instrument	Implementation Transposition of the international instrument in the national legislation
<a href="#">LC 1972</a>	
<a href="#">LC Protocol 1996</a>	
<a href="#">AFS 2001</a>	
<a href="#">SOLAS Protocol 88</a>	
<a href="#">Load Line Protocol 1988</a>	
<a href="#">SCP B&amp;H-CRO</a>	

## Sanctions for violations

The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to ensure the provision of sanctions of adequate severity to discourage violation of international instruments to which the State is a Party	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how are violations followed up and what are the sanctions (for example, type of fines) imposed?	

#### Ship inspections

## Periodic inspections of own ships

The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to provide for ship inspections, and detaining, to ensure compliance with international maritime safety and pollution prevention standards, to which the State is a Party	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how many number of ships are inspected annually and how many of these have resulted in detaining the ship?	
Number of ships detained by PSC in the last 3 years	
Number of ships detained under the Med MoU	14
Number of ships detained under the Paris MoU	
Number of ships detained under the Tokyo MoU	
Number of ships detained under the USCG	
Port State Control Inspections	
Port State Control Inspections are carried out in your ports	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how many PSC inspections are carried out annually?	
Delegation of Authority to Recognised Organizations (ROs)	
The Administration has the necessary national laws, including necessary Agreements, in force to delegate authority to ROs	<input type="checkbox"/>
What procedures are in place to monitor the work of the ROs?	
Provide list of ROs to whom delegation of authority is granted through such an Agreement.	Albanian Register of Shipping

## Casualty investigations




The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to carry out the required casualty investigations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Number of reported groundings in the last 3 years	
Number of reported collisions in the last 3 years	
Number of reported casualties resulting in pollution incidents in the last 3 years	

## MARPOL implementation

### MARPOL Infringements

The Administration has the necessary national laws in force to ensure the provision of sanctions of adequate severity with respect to MARPOL infringements	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, how are infringements followed up and what are the sanctions imposed?	

### Port Reception Facilities

Port	MARPOL Annex I	MARPOL Annex II	MARPOL Annex IV	MARPOL Annex V	MARPOL Annex VI
Durres					

## Port Reception Facilities

Port	MARPOL Annex I	MARPOL Annex II	MARPOL Annex IV	MARPOL Annex V	MARPOL Annex VI
Vlore	●		●	●	
Shengjin	●			●	
Sarande	●			●	

## Surveillance of coastal waters

Surveillance of the waters under your jurisdiction is carried out ☒

If yes, what are the methods and resources available to carry out such surveillance?

According to the law, Surveillance of Albanian waters is carried out by Albanian Coast Guard by patrolling the waters. The Coast Guard has a number of small ships for doing that.

## Resources

### Organigramme

#### Number of Offices, non-technical, technical staff

Head Office (provide full address and contact details)

Office of non – technical staff: Directory of Maritime Transport Policies, Ministry of Public Works, Transport and Telecommunication, Tirana-Albania, Square “Skenderbeg”, No. 5 Contact details Sokol Kapidani; Director ++ 355 4 2 25 70 28.

Number of other Offices (provide full address and contact details of all offices)

Two offices of technical staff: a) General Harbour Master; Lagja No.1; “Rruga Tregtare”; Durres; Tel: ++ 355 52 22 22 68 Contact details: Edmond Doraci General harbour Master. b) Albanian Shipping Register; Lagja No.1; “Rruga Tregtare”; Durres; Tel ++ 355 52 22 27 97 Contact details: Artur Ajazi, Director of Albanian Shipping Register. 14 other offices

Number of non-technical staff

4

Number of technical Staff

10

Number of Inspectors (Flag State Surveyors and Port State Inspectors)

4 Flag State Surveyors, no Port State Inspectors

Number of flag State Casualty Investigators

5 Investigators