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MEDITERRANEAN ACTION PLAN

**REGIONAL SEMINAR
ON PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES
FOR COLLECTING SHIP-GENERATED GARBAGE,
BILGE WATERS AND OILY WASTES
IN THE MEDITERRANEAN**

**Malta
24-26 November 2004**



INTRODUCTION

1. The Regional Seminar on Port Reception Facilities for Collecting Ship-Generated Garbage, Bilge Waters and Oily Wastes in the Mediterranean (hereinafter referred to as "the Seminar") was held at The Westin Dragonara Resort in St Julian's, Malta between the 24 and 26 November 2004. The Seminar was organized by the Regional Marine Pollution Emergency Response Centre for the Mediterranean Sea (REMPEC) within the framework of the MEDA Project on Port Reception Facilities for Collecting Ship-Generated Garbage, Bilge Waters and Oily Wastes (MED.B7.4100.97.0415.8) financed by the European Community (hereinafter referred to as "the MEDA Project") and of REMPEC's complementary activities on port reception facilities in other Mediterranean coastal States.
2. The Seminar was the final and concluding activity (Activity E) of the MEDA Project. However, in view of REMPEC's complementary activities in the field of port reception facilities carried out in other Mediterranean States, participation in the Seminar was also extended to participants from other Mediterranean coastal States which did not benefit from the MEDA Project. An invitation to participate in the Seminar was also extended to Jordan as in November 2003 REMPEC had carried out a needs assessment mission on port reception facilities in the port of Aqaba on behalf of the International Maritime Organization (IMO).
3. The organization of the Seminar was financed by the MEDA Project and REMPEC's Mediterranean Trust Fund (MTF) budget. The participation of three representatives of the beneficiary countries of the MEDA Project (i.e.: Algeria, Cyprus, Egypt, Israel, Lebanon, Malta, Morocco, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey) at the Seminar was financed from the said project whilst the participation of two representatives of countries involved in REMPEC's complementary activities (i.e.: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Libya, Slovenia and Serbia and Montenegro) was financed by REMPEC's MTF budget and by IMO's Integrated Technical Co-operation Programme (ITCP) 2004 - 2005. The latter also funded the participation of two representatives from Jordan. As it was not possible to finance the participation of the representatives of France, Greece, Italy, Monaco and Spain from the abovementioned sources, these countries had to bear their own costs of participation in the Seminar. The European Community (EC), which financed the MEDA Project, was invited to deliver one of the presentations during the Seminar.
4. The objectives of the Seminar were to present and discuss the results of the MEDA Project and of REMPEC's complementary activities, and to discuss and decide upon actions to be taken by the Mediterranean coastal States with a view to implementing the results of these activities and reducing the pollution of the Mediterranean Sea from ship-generated pollution.
5. The Seminar was aimed at senior government officials from national authorities responsible for pollution prevention and control and at senior management staff from port authorities/organisations who have been designated to play a role in the setting up and operation of port reception facilities. In view of the objectives of the Seminar, participants were expected to have an adequate knowledge of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (Marpol 73/78) and be well acquainted with problems associated with the setting up and operation of port reception facilities.
6. REMPEC official Prevention Focal Points were invited to nominate official representatives to participate in the Seminar; the nomination of officials who were responsible for coordinating the work related to the MEDA Project or to REMPEC's complementary activities on port reception facilities in the respective beneficiary countries was strongly recommended. As for similar REMPEC events in the past, the participation of observers from national oil, chemical, port and shipping industries was encouraged and REMPEC official Focal Points were therefore invited to include, if possible, in their respective delegations, the representatives of these industries. In addition to the official Focal Points, the invitation to participate in the Seminar was also extended to the Commissioner for Environment, Regulation and Enforcement of the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority (ASEZA) of Jordan, the Co-ordinating Unit of the Mediterranean Action Plan (UNEP/MEDU), the International Maritime Organization (IMO), other governmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as to the international professional organizations and associations whose activities are relevant to the work of REMPEC.

7. The Seminar was attended by delegations from the following Mediterranean States:

ALBANIA	JORDAN
ALGERIA	LEBANON
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA	MALTA
CROATIA	MOROCCO
CYPRUS	SERBIA & MONTENEGRO
EGYPT	SLOVENIA
EUROPEAN COMMUNITY	SYRIA
ISRAEL	TUNISIA
ITALY	TURKEY

by a representative of the INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ORGANIZATION (IMO),

by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations:

- THE BALTIC AND INTERNATIONAL MARITIME COUNCIL (BIMCO)
- INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF CRUISE LINES (ICCL)
- MEDITERRANEAN OIL INDUSTRY GROUP (MOIG)

and by a representative of the FUNDACION INSTITUTO PORTUARIO DE ESTUDIOS Y COOPERATION DE LA COMUNIDAD VALENCIANA (FEPORTS).

8. A number of delegations of Mediterranean States also included members whose participation in the Seminar was not sponsored by either the MEDA Project or by REMPEC. A complete list of participants is attached in **ANNEX I** to the present report.

ORGANIZATION

9. The organization, the preparation and the delivery of the Seminar was entirely the responsibility of REMPEC.

10. The role of REMPEC included:

- preparation of the programme of the Seminar;
- identification, selection and invitation of external lecturers;
- providing its own Seminar moderator and lecturers;
- invitation of participants;
- making necessary arrangements for the travel and accommodation of participants and lecturers;
- providing a Seminar file containing all relevant information on the Seminar and a printout of all presentations delivered during the Seminar to the participants;
- providing and making arrangements for the venue of the Seminar;
- audio visual equipment;
- interpretation from/to English and French;
- interpretation equipment;
- secretarial services;
- airport/hotel/airport transfers for participants and lecturers;
- coffee breaks.

11. Mr. Jonathan Pace, REMPEC's Programme Officer (Prevention), acted as the co-ordinator and moderator of the Seminar and was responsible for ensuring the smooth running of the Seminar. Mr. Pace was ably assisted by Ms. Lilia Khodjet El Khil, Technical Officer of the MEDA Project.

12. The working languages of the Seminar were English and French and all lectures were simultaneously interpreted into these two languages.

13. The participants of the Seminar were all provided with a Seminar file containing a printout of all the presentations delivered by the lecturers as well as some supporting documentation. Since it

was not possible to translate all the presentations in time, these were distributed in the languages that they were originally written.

14. The Seminar was held in the Spinola Bay Conference Room at The Westin Dragonara Resort, St. Julian's, Malta. All participants in the Seminar, including lecturers, were accommodated at The Westin Dragonara Resort, the venue of the Seminar.

15. The working hours of the Seminar were from 09.00 to 16.30 with a lunch break between 12.30 and 14.00.

16. The Seminar was inaugurated on Wednesday 24 November 2004 by R. Adm. Roberto Patrino, Director of REMPEC, who welcomed the participants and delivered the opening speech. In his speech, R. Adm. Patrino highlighted the importance of the provision of adequate port reception facilities as a means to alleviate the problem of ship-generated operational pollution. He stated that this issue has long been discussed in the Mediterranean region and that the MEDA Project as well as the complementary activities carried out by REMPEC in other Mediterranean States represented a significant and concrete step forward in order to prevent marine pollution from ships. Finally, he stated that the Seminar should be considered as the starting point of an implementation phase leading to the provision of adequate port reception facilities in the Mediterranean.

17. Ms. Laure Chapuis and Mr. Sokratis Dimakopoulos welcomed the participants on behalf of the European Community (EC) and the International Maritime Organization (IMO) respectively and augured a successful Seminar.

18. The Seminar was concluded on Friday 26 November 2004. Mr. Jonathan Pace, the Seminar's co-ordinator and moderator, thanked the lecturers for their excellent presentations and input during the Seminar, as well as the participants for their interest and participation. The Director of REMPEC, R. Adm. Roberto Patrino, associated himself with the remarks of Mr. Pace and thanked all the consultants involved in the MEDA Project and the related complementary activities, as well as the European Community for financing the three year MEDA Project and thus making the organization of the Seminar possible.

PROGRAMME

19. The programme of the Seminar, which is reproduced in **ANNEX II**, was prepared bearing in mind the objectives of the Seminar, as outlined in paragraph 4, and was divided into three main parts.

20. The first part of the programme (Day 1 of the Seminar) introduced the topic of port reception facilities for ship-generated solid and liquid wastes with particular reference to the latest developments, at the international and the European level, with regard to the regulatory aspect. The perspective of the shipping industry as user of the reception facilities was also presented during the first day of the Seminar.

21. The second part of the Seminar (Day 2) was devoted to the activities of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities in other Mediterranean States. A summary of the results of both the MEDA Project and of the complementary activities was in fact presented to the Seminar participants by the consultants who were engaged by REMPEC to implement the various activities.

22. The third and final part of the Seminar (Day 3) was dedicated to the planning, setting up, financing, and operation of port reception facilities. The experiences of the French port of Le Havre and of the Baltic region in the management of ship-generated waste and in particular in the setting up and operation of port reception facilities provided participants with practical examples. A presentation on the management and cost recovery of port reception facilities outlined the different systems of direct and indirect fees that are applied for ship-generated waste collection and treatment. Finally, a presentation on project financing possibilities for the setting up of port reception facilities was delivered at the end of the Seminar.

23. Each presentation was followed by questions and comments from the Seminar participants. Moreover, a questions and discussion session concluded each day of the Seminar.

24. The programme of the Seminar was presented by a total of twelve lecturers: two REMPEC staff members, an official of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), an official of the European Community (EC), a senior executive from Marnavi S.p.A., an Italian ship management company, a representative of The International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO), a French advisor for ports and marine safety, a staff member of the Helsinki Commission (HELCOM), an official of the African Development Bank, and three consultants involved in the MEDA Project and in REMPEC's complementary activities in the field of port reception facilities. The complete list of lecturers is given in **ANNEX III**.

DAY 1 (24 November 2004)

25. Following the short opening session, Mr. Jonathan Pace, REMPEC's Programme Officer (Prevention) and co-ordinator/moderator of the Seminar, introduced the objectives of the Seminar to the participants and provided them with an overview of the programme.

26. With regard to the objectives of the Seminar, Mr. Pace informed participants that, with a view to facilitating the discussion on the implementation of the results of the MEDA Project and of REMPEC's complementary activities, REMPEC had prepared a draft Resolution entitled "Implementation of the Results of the EC/MEDA Financed Project on Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean and of REMPEC's Complementary Activities" which was presented to, discussed and amended by the Third Meeting of the Steering Committee of the MEDA Project which had met a day before. He stated that this draft Resolution will be circulated to all participants on Day 2 of the Seminar with a view to discussing and adopting the said Resolution in the final session of the Seminar on Day 3.

27. When outlining the programme of the Seminar, Mr. Pace pointed out that, although REMPEC initiated the preparations for the organization of the Seminar quite early, the Centre encountered some difficulties with regard to the availability of some possible lecturers. In particular, the availability of officials from development and investment banks, financial institutions, and international donor agencies was problematic and hence the reason for including only one presentation on the topic of financing port reception facilities in the Seminar's programme. However, REMPEC succeeded in drawing up a programme which covered the main issues related to port reception facilities.

28. Mr. S. Dimakopoulos, representing the Secretariat of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), delivered the first presentation in the morning session. His presentation dealt with the Marpol 73/78 Convention requirements for the provision of reception facilities also highlighting current developments within IMO on this issue.

29. Ms. L. Chapuis, an official of the European Commission's Directorate-General for Transport and Energy, then introduced the European Union Directive 2000/59/EC on port reception facilities for ship-generated waste and cargo residues, as the principal legal and regulatory instrument in this field at the European level.

30. In the afternoon session, Mr. S. Ambrosio, a senior executive of Marnavi S.p.A., an Italian ship management company, spoke on the practical and operational difficulties encountered by shipowners due to the inadequacies of reception facilities and made a short critical evaluation of the situation in the Mediterranean region. He pointed out that shipowners were investing in the protection of the environment but they also expected all the other stakeholders to do their part.

31. The last presentation in the afternoon session was delivered by Mr. T. Wilkins, a representative of The International Association of Independent Tanker Owners (INTERTANKO). Mr. Wilkins presented the views of the shipping industry on the issue of port reception facilities aimed at progressing towards a solution to the problem of inadequate facilities. During his presentation, Mr. Wilkins, who was also speaking on behalf of the International Association of Dry Cargo Shipowners (INTERCARGO), the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), and The Baltic and International Maritime Council (BIMCO), referred to the recent initiative taken by the industry to set up the Industry Port Reception Facilities Forum whose objectives are to encourage the use of reception facilities, encourage the wider provision of appropriate reception facilities, and increase knowledge of reception facilities and the associated procedures. In this regard, he referred to the important role of regional

bodies such as REMPEC with respect to the regional implementation of the relative IMO obligations in the field of port reception facilities.

32. During the questions and discussion session, Mr. Dimakopoulos, the IMO Secretariat representative, pointed out that although the Mediterranean Sea was designated as a "Special Area" under Annex V of the Marpol 73/78 Convention, the "Special Area" garbage disposal requirements had not yet come into effect with regard to the Mediterranean Sea. He explained that, in accordance with Regulation 5(4) (b) of Annex V of Marpol 73/78, the Government of each Party to the Convention, the coastline of which borders the special area in question, shall notify the IMO that adequate reception facilities are provided in all ports within that special area in accordance with Regulation 7 of the said Annex. He further explained that, upon receipt of sufficient notifications, IMO will establish a date from which the "Special Area" garbage disposal requirements shall take effect in respect of this area. Mr. Dimakopoulos stated that this has not yet been the case with regard to the Mediterranean Sea and, whilst urging Mediterranean coastal States which are Parties to Marpol 73/78 to take appropriate action and submit the required notification to IMO, he suggested that REMPEC could play a leading role in co-ordinating a relative joint submission to IMO.

33. Various questions were also addressed to Ms Chapuis of the European Commission particularly with regard to the EU Directive 2000/59/EC and the follow up of the MEDA Project. In response to some of the questions, Ms Chapuis stated that the European Commission would pursue the results of the MEDA Project and was prepared to co-operate with the beneficiary countries in future actions aimed at assisting the beneficiary countries in the implementation of the results and follow up work. However, she pointed out that the primary responsibility for the implementation of the results of the Project rested with the beneficiary countries.

Day 2 (25 November 2004)

34. Mr. Jonathan Pace, the Seminar's moderator, briefly outlined the programme for Day 2 of the Seminar, which was dedicated to the activities of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities in other Mediterranean States. Mr. Pace informed participants that, in order to facilitate the dissemination of the results of the Project, besides being forwarded to the competent national authorities of the beneficiary countries, all the reports and studies of the MEDA Project and complementary activities were posted on REMPEC's website.

35. The morning session commenced with a short presentation by Mr. Jonathan Pace, REMPEC's Programme Officer (Prevention), entitled "Scope for regional co-operation in setting up Port Reception Facilities".

36. Mr. Pace's presentation was immediately followed by another short presentation by Ms. Lilia Khodjet El Khil, Technical Officer of the MEDA Project, who outlined the activities of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities in other Mediterranean States.

37. Mr. S. Volakis from Environmental Protection Engineering (EPE) S.A. of Greece, the consultancy firm which carried out the first phase of both the MEDA Project and the complementary activities in other Mediterranean States, then delivered a presentation on the situation and needs regarding port reception facilities in the Mediterranean. During this presentation, Mr. Volakis briefly described the work carried out by EPE S.A. during the first phase of the MEDA Project and the complementary activities carried by REMPEC in the Mediterranean region, and summarized its results and conclusions.

38. During the afternoon session, which was dedicated to the second phase of the MEDA Project and the complementary activities, Mr. A. de Leeuw from Tebodin Consultants & Engineers of The Netherlands, presented the conclusions of the study on optimum solutions for collection, treatment and disposal of ship-generated solid and liquid wastes which was carried out by Tebodin within the framework of the MEDA Project and of REMPEC's complementary activities on port reception facilities in other Mediterranean coastal States. Mr. de Leeuw also presented the standard designs for oily wastes reception, treatment, storage and dewatering facilities and for garbage collection, treatment and disposal facilities developed by Tebodin under Activity D of the MEDA Project and which could be utilized by Mediterranean coastal States for implementation in their ports and terminals.

39. A number of participants made several technical questions to Mr. Volakis and Mr. de Leeuw related to their presentations. Whilst replying to certain specific questions, both speakers pointed out that the contents of the technical reports prepared under the MEDA Project and the related complementary activities primarily depended on the accuracy of the information and data provided by the competent national authorities of the beneficiary countries.

Day 3 (26 November 2004)

40. After briefly presenting the programme of Day 3 of the Seminar, Mr. Pace, the Seminar's moderator, informed the participants that the final session of the Seminar would be dedicated to a general discussion on the cost of use of port reception facilities and on the implementation of the results of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities in other Mediterranean States. With regard to the cost of use of reception facilities, he pointed out that this issue was included in one of the specific objectives of the draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships which was currently being developed by REMPEC together with the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention with a view to its adoption by the next meeting of the Contracting Parties. Regarding the discussion on the implementation of the results of the MEDA Project and complementary activities, Mr. Pace stated that the participants will also be invited to discuss and adopt the draft Resolution entitled "Implementation of the Results of the EC/MEDA Financed Project on Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean and of REMPEC's Complementary Activities" which was circulated the day before.

41. Captain A. Tchong, a French advisor for ports and marine safety, delivered the first presentation in the morning session. During his presentation, Captain Tchong presented a case study on the planning, setting up and operation of port reception facilities in the French port of Le Havre with particular reference to the implementation of the European Union Directive 2000/59/EC.

42. Mr. A. Schoof from Tebodin Consultants & Engineers of the Netherlands then made a presentation on the management and cost recovery of port reception facilities. During his presentation, Mr. Schoof *inter alia* explained the cost recovery issues that should be taken into consideration when determining the type of fees applicable for the use of port reception facilities and outlined the different fee systems.

43. Following Mr. Schoof's presentation, Mr. T. Navickas from the Helsinki Commission (HELCOM), presented the experience of the Baltic Sea region regarding the management of ship-generated waste. During the presentation, Mr. Navickas referred to the Baltic strategy for port reception facilities for ship-generated wastes and associated issues making reference to issues such as mandatory delivery, notification, and the "no-special fee" charging system.

44. In the afternoon session, Mr. M. Diene from the African Development Bank delivered a presentation on various project financing possibilities offered by the African Development Bank. In his presentation, Mr. Diene pointed out that the protection of the marine environment was in line with the Bank's policy and operational approach, which requires, among others, that environment protection be treated as a top priority crosscutting issue and thus be mainstreamed in all Bank-funded physical projects. He thus further explained that the setting up of port reception facilities is eligible for the Bank's financing and that interested eligible countries could contact the Bank with a view to eventually submitting a formal application. Mr. Diene stated that what applied to the African Development Bank would in the main probably apply to other similar type of financial institutions and donor agencies.

45. During the questions and discussion session, in reply to some questions from the participants, Mr. Diene stated that the African Development Bank could also assist eligible countries in the preparation of project financing proposals. He also stated that, in his view, the work carried out within the framework of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities could serve as a basis for the development of specific country financing proposals. However, each proposal had to be fine-tuned for the specific project/s. He pointed out that all projects would be viewed on a case by case basis with particular attention being given to the feasibility and economic evaluation of the project.

46. The final session of the Seminar consisted of a general discussion on the cost of use of port reception facilities and on the draft Resolution entitled "Implementation of the Results of the

EC/MEDA Financed Project on Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean and of REMPEC's Complementary Activities" which was drafted by REMPEC and, discussed and reviewed by the Third and Final Meeting of the Steering Committee of the MEDA Project for consideration and adoption by the participants of the present Regional Seminar.

47. Mr. Pace, Programme Officer (Prevention) of REMPEC and the moderator of the Seminar, first reminded the Seminar participants that the provision of reception facilities in ports was one of the specific objectives of the draft Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships which was currently under preparation with a view to its adoption by the next meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention. Mr. Pace further reminded participants that the First Meeting of National Experts on the Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships which met in Italy in July 2004 had decided to keep the specific objective concerning port reception facilities within square brackets in view of the finalisation by REMPEC of the MEDA Project and its expected outputs. The National Experts Meeting on the Regional Strategy also proposed that the issue related to the cost of the use of port reception facilities be discussed in the present Regional Seminar.

48. Mr. Pace then invited the participants to air their views on this issue in order to enable the Secretariat to report the outcome of this discussion to the Second and Final National Experts Meeting on the Regional Strategy for Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships. He requested the participants to first consider whether the issue should be addressed at a regional level and, if in the affirmative, to suggest different direct or indirect cost of use/fee systems that could be adopted at a regional level which would also ensure a level playing field. He further pointed out that participants should bear in mind that eight of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention were bound by the provisions of the European Union Directive 2000/59/EC on port reception facilities for ship-generated waste and cargo residues and consequently any proposed system should not be in conflict with this Directive.

49. A number of participants from different countries took part in the discussion on this issue and in principle it was generally agreed that a fee system was desirable and necessary. However, it was felt that at the moment this issue should be dealt with on a national level as it was still too early to introduce a common regional cost of use/fee in the Mediterranean particularly due to the fact that port reception facilities had first to be enhanced and improved. It was also stated that, if a common fee system had to be adopted on a regional level, this had to be legally binding on all Contracting Parties and should avoid unfair competition between ports.

50. Mr. M. Nemouchi, a participant from Algeria, then presented the draft Resolution entitled "Implementation of the Results of the EC/MEDA Financed Project on Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean and of REMPEC's Complementary Activities" for consideration and adoption by the participants of the Seminar. Whilst introducing the draft Resolution, he recalled how it was drawn up and proposed its adoption by the participants.

51. During the discussion on the proposed draft Resolution, a number of participants underlined the importance of the implementation of the results of both the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities with a view to enhance the provision of port reception facilities in the region. They pointed out that, in this regard, the Mediterranean coastal States required both technical assistance and financial resources, and suggested that REMPEC undertakes follow-up work on this issue.

52. The Director of REMPEC, R. Adm. Patrino, stated that, although the primary responsibility for the implementation of the results of the MEDA Project and the related complementary activities rested with the beneficiary countries, REMPEC would be ready to provide any technical assistance that might be requested by the Mediterranean coastal States with regard to the concrete implementation of these results. He explained that follow-up work on port reception facilities could be included in the Centre's future work programme, which would be adopted by the Meeting of REMPEC Focal Points and by the Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Barcelona Convention. He further explained that this follow-up work could be of a regional nature or could take the form of assistance to individual requests from the countries. This notwithstanding, the Director of REMPEC underlined the fact that the initiative for the establishment of the necessary port reception facilities had to be taken by the countries. In this regard, he stated that the work carried out within the framework of both the MEDA Project and the

complementary activities provided the tools for improving the situation of reception facilities in the ports and terminals of the region but concrete plans had now to be devised to transform the required preliminary studies into concrete actions.

53. There was general consensus on the contents of the draft Resolution and, following a short discussion, the participants of the Seminar adopted the proposed Resolution after agreeing to two minor amendments proposed by two participants from Algeria and Israel respectively. The text of the Resolution adopted by the participants of the Regional Seminar is reproduced in **ANNEX IV** to the present report.

54. The Seminar was concluded at 16.30 hrs with the concluding remarks of the Director of REMPEC, R. Adm. Patruno.

CONCLUSIONS

55. The Seminar was aimed at presenting and discussing the results of the MEDA Project and of REMPEC's complementary activities, and discussing and deciding upon future actions that could be taken by the Mediterranean coastal States with a view to implementing the results of these activities. The programme was thus specifically prepared to achieve these aims.

56. The active participation of the participants and their feedback indicated that the main objectives of the Seminar were achieved. Moreover, the decision of some Mediterranean States to include in their delegations members whose participation was not sponsored by either the MEDA Project or by REMPEC, indicated the importance attached to the Seminar by the Mediterranean countries.

57. The Resolution adopted at the end of the Regional Seminar endorses the results of the MEDA Project and REMPEC's complementary activities and outlines further actions for their implementation at the national, bilateral, multilateral and regional level.

ANNEX(E) I

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**REGIONAL SEMINAR ON
PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES FOR COLLECTING SHIP-GENERATED GARBAGE,
BILGE WATERS AND OILY WASTES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN**

Malta, 24 – 26 November 2004

PROGRAMME

DAY 1 WEDNESDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2004		
09.00 – 09.30	Registration of participants	
09.30 – 09.45	Opening session	Rear Admiral R. Patruno (REMPEC)
09.45 – 10.00	Introduction to the seminar/objectives/programme	Mr. J. Pace (REMPEC)
10.00 – 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10.30 – 11.30	Marpol 73/78 Annexes I and V Port Reception Facilities	Mr. S. Dimakopoulos (IMO)
11.30 – 12.30	EU Directive 2000/59/EC and its implementation	Ms. L. Chapuis (EC)
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14.00 – 14.45	Port Reception Facilities - <i>The Shipowners' Perspective</i>	Mr. S. Ambrosio (MARNABI SPA)
14.45 – 15.30	Port Reception Facilities - <i>The Tanker Owners' Perspective</i>	Mr. T. Wilkins (INTERTANKO)
15.30 – 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00 – 16.30	Questions and discussion	
DAY 2 THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2004		
09.00 – 09.30	Scope for regional co-operation in setting up Port Reception Facilities	Mr. J. Pace (REMPEC)
09.30 – 10.00	An outline of the EU Financed MEDA Project on Port Reception Facilities and REMPEC's Complementary Activities in other Mediterranean States	Ms. L. Khodjet El Khil (REMPEC)

DAY 2 THURSDAY, 25 NOVEMBER 2004 (contd.)

10.00 – 10.30	Assessment of the situation and needs regarding Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean	Mr. S. Volakis. (EPE S.A.)
10.30 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.00 – 11.45	Assessment of the situation and needs regarding Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean (contd.)	Mr. S. Volakis (EPE S.A.)
11.45 – 12.30	Comments by countries and discussion	
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14.00 – 15.30	Optimum Solutions for collection, treatment and disposal of ship-generated solid and liquid wastes including development of relative standard designs	Mr. A. de Leeuw (TEBODIN)
15.30 – 16.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00 – 16.30	Questions and discussion	

DAY 3 FRIDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2004

09.00 – 10.00	Planning and setting up Port Reception Facilities - <i>A Case Study: The port of Le Havre</i>	Capt. A. Tcheng (FRANCE)
10.00 – 10.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
10.30 – 11.30	Operating costs/the cost of use of Port Reception Facilities	Mr. A. Schoof (TEBODIN)
11.30 – 12.15	Management of Ship-Generated Waste - <i>The experience of the Baltic Region</i>	Mr. T. Navickas (HELCOM)
12.15 – 12.30	Questions and discussion	
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
14.00 – 15.00	Port Reception Facilities Financing - <i>Project Financing Possibilities offered by the African Development Bank</i>	Mr. M. Diene (AFRICAN DEV. BANK)
15.00 – 15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
15.30 – 16.15	Questions and discussion	
16.15 – 16.30	Concluding remarks	

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ANNEX IV

RESOLUTION

**IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE EC/MEDA FINANCED PROJECT
ON PORT RECEPTION FACILITIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN
AND OF REMPEC'S COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES**

[Adopted by the participants of the Regional Seminar on port reception facilities for collecting ship-generated garbage, bilge waters and oily wastes in the Mediterranean, held in Malta, between 24 and 26 November 2004]

The participants of the Regional Seminar on port reception facilities for collecting ship-generated garbage, bilge waters and oily wastes in the Mediterranean, held in Malta, between 24 and 26 November 2004

Convinced of the importance of protecting the Mediterranean Sea from ship-generated operational pollution,

Referring to the Special Area Status of the Mediterranean Sea as far as Annexes I and V of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships 1973/78, are concerned,

Bearing in mind the Action Plan Concerning the Provision of Adequate Port Reception Facilities within the Mediterranean Region adopted in Cairo in 1991 by the Meeting of National Experts on Port Reception Facilities in the Mediterranean,

Recalling the adoption in 2002 of the Protocol Concerning Cooperation in Preventing Pollution from Ships and, in Cases of Emergency, Combating Pollution of the Mediterranean Sea (Prevention and Emergency Protocol) which addresses prevention of pollution from ships,

Recalling also Resolution II of the Conference of Plenipotentiaries that adopted the Prevention and Emergency Protocol, which calls for the early implementation of the provisions of the Protocol prior to its entry into force for all Contracting Parties,

Referring to Article 14 of the Prevention and Emergency Protocol, where "*the Parties shall individually, bilaterally or multilaterally take all necessary steps to ensure that reception facilities meeting the needs of ships are available in their ports and terminals*",

Noting that the Prevention and Emergency Protocol entered into force on the 17 March 2004,

Taking into consideration the new objectives and functions of REMPEC as the Regional Centre for the implementation of the Protocol, adopted by their Twelfth Ordinary Meeting, which extended the mandate of the Center to the prevention of the pollution of the marine environment from ships,

Bearing in mind the relevant provisions of the Regional Strategy for the Prevention of and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships, currently under preparation with a view to its adoption by the Contracting Parties at their Fourteenth Ordinary Meeting, and especially its Specific Objective 4.4 on provision of port reception facilities,

Have agreed to:

Endorse the results of the EC/MEDA financed Project on port reception facilities in the Mediterranean and REMPEC's complementary activities financed by the REMPEC (MTF) budget and by IMO's Integrated Technical Cooperation Programme;

Review and report to REMPEC, and through REMPEC to all Mediterranean coastal States, on the follow-up and implementation of these results for the setting up of reception facilities in their ports and terminals;

Invite their respective countries to:

Endeavor to take all necessary measures in order to implement these results in their ports and terminals;

Collaborate on a bilateral and multilateral level as well as with REMPEC with a view to identifying possible sources of financing for the effective implementation of these results;

Express their appreciation to the European Commission, International Maritime Organization and REMPEC for providing financial and technical support, thanks to which these important results for the protection of the Mediterranean Sea from ship-generated operational pollution were achieved.