

WEBINAR

29 April 2025 | 10.00 - 12.00 EEST

# The Med SOx ECA begins



Mediterranean  
Action Plan  
Barcelona  
Convention



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| 10.00 - 10.15 | <b>Background to MARPOL Annex VI ECA requirements</b><br>HELMEPA                          |
| 10.15 - 11.00 | <b>Mediterranean SOx ECA and the need for emissions reduction in the region</b><br>REMPEC |
| 11.00 - 11.45 | <b>Bunkering implications of the Mediterranean ECA</b><br>IBIA                            |
| 11.45 - 12.00 | <b>Q&amp;As / Wrap-up</b>   |



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Addressed to crew officers (deck & engine) and office personnel of HELMEPA Member companies

Level of knowledge

**Beginners to Intermediate**

Participants will receive a HELMEPA Academy Certificate of Attendance

## WEBINAR LECTURERS



**Ivan  
SAMMUT**

Head of Office  
REMPEC

Ivan Sammut has 25 years experience in the international maritime industry and graduated with a Master of Science degree in International Maritime Studies from the University of Southampton, United Kingdom.

He was the Registrar General of Shipping and Seamen (until November 2023), responsible for the Merchant Shipping Directorate within Transport Malta – the Malta Ship and Yacht Register for 14 years. He was also Malta's Permanent Representative of Malta to IMO, Malta's Focal Point for Pollution Prevention at REMPEC, Malta's representative on the Administrative Board of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) and the European Sustainable Shipping Forum (ESSF). Mr Sammut also acted as Malta's head of delegation at a number of meetings of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO), REMPEC and the International Labour Organisation (ILO). Since December 2023, Mr Sammut was appointed as Head of REMPEC.



**Dr Edmund  
HUGHES**

Representative  
to the IMO  
IBIA

Edmund Hughes is the Representative to the International Maritime Organization (IMO) for the International Bunker Industry Association (IBIA). As consultant his work has included supporting the shipping industry and as a specialist adviser for the UK Parliament's inquiry into "Net zero and UK shipping".

Previously was 10 years at IMO where he was responsible for MARPOL Annex VI (prevention of air pollution and energy efficiency) and GHG emissions from ships.

Before joining IMO in 2010 he had safety and environmental policy roles in the UK's Maritime & Coastguard Agency including responsibility for implementation of the EU Sulphur Directive into UK law.

## WEBINAR OUTLINE | LEARNING OBJECTIVES

### Mediterranean SOx ECA and the need for emissions reduction in the region

- Designation of the Med SOx ECA - Main Benefits
- What must ships do to comply with the new regulations
- How will the Med SOx ECA be enforced
- Documentation onboard
- What can seafarers, shipping companies and maritime stakeholders do to be prepared

### Bunkering implications of the Mediterranean ECA

- Summary of findings for fuel supply and availability from the Mediterranean ECA proposal to IMO
- Impact on bunker demand/fuel supply in the Mediterranean and possible implications for shipping/coastal States
- Impact of current and future GHG regulations on bunkering in the Mediterranean – potential for the IMO Net-Zero Framework to be a game changer

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