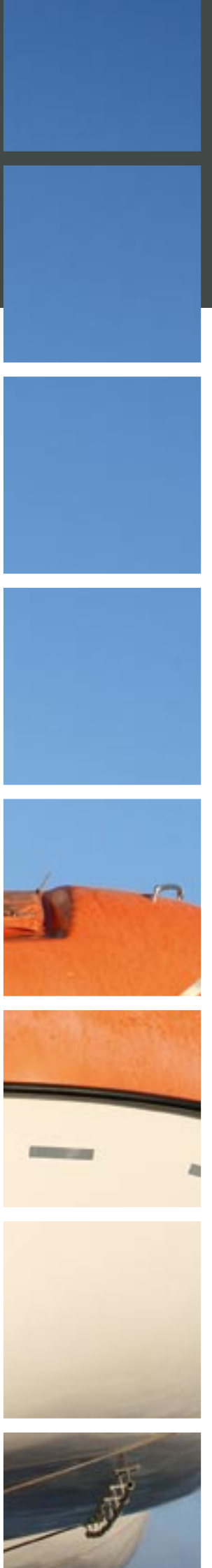




# European Marine Equipment Council

Activity Report

# 2006



# EMEC 2006 ACTIVITY REPORT

At the 2006 Annual Reception a year ago, EMEC distributed its Strategy aiming at maintaining the European marine equipment industry's position as the world leader in the sector.

During the past year EMEC actively pursued the vision defined in the said Strategy, undertaking various actions aimed at creating a suitable and sustainable environment for the European marine equipment sector to flourish, as well as enhancing the position of EMEC in the European policy-making.

A summary of the issues on which EMEC concentrated on in the past year included the following:



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# Innovation and Research



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## EMECrid



EMECrid, the RDI working Group within EMEC launched its Research Strategy in February 2006 (which constitutes EMEC's contribution to the WATERBORNE TP Strategic Research Agenda as well). It was the effect of the joint effort of the companies involved through 7 Technical Working Groups and the Chairmen of EMECrid and of Technical WGs.

Moreover, EMECrid strongly promotes and encourages the broad participation of the marine equipment companies in the EU research initiatives under FP7.

In 2006, two editions of the EMECrid Newsletter were published and a workshop disseminating information on FP7 was organized in September.



EMECRID WAS A MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR

## WATERBORNE TP

EMECrid was a major contributor to the content of the Waterborne Vision, Strategic Research Agenda and Implementation Plan.

As a result, the Chairman of the EMECrid Technical Working Groups was elected Vice-Chairman of Waterborne.



EMEC IS A PARTNER IN

## EUROMIND

EMEC is a partner and the Dissemination work package leader in an FP7 project EUROMIND, which was launched in September 2006 and which is to

identify and promote solutions aimed at improving the European shipbuilding supply chain collaboration by connecting digital systems via open standards.



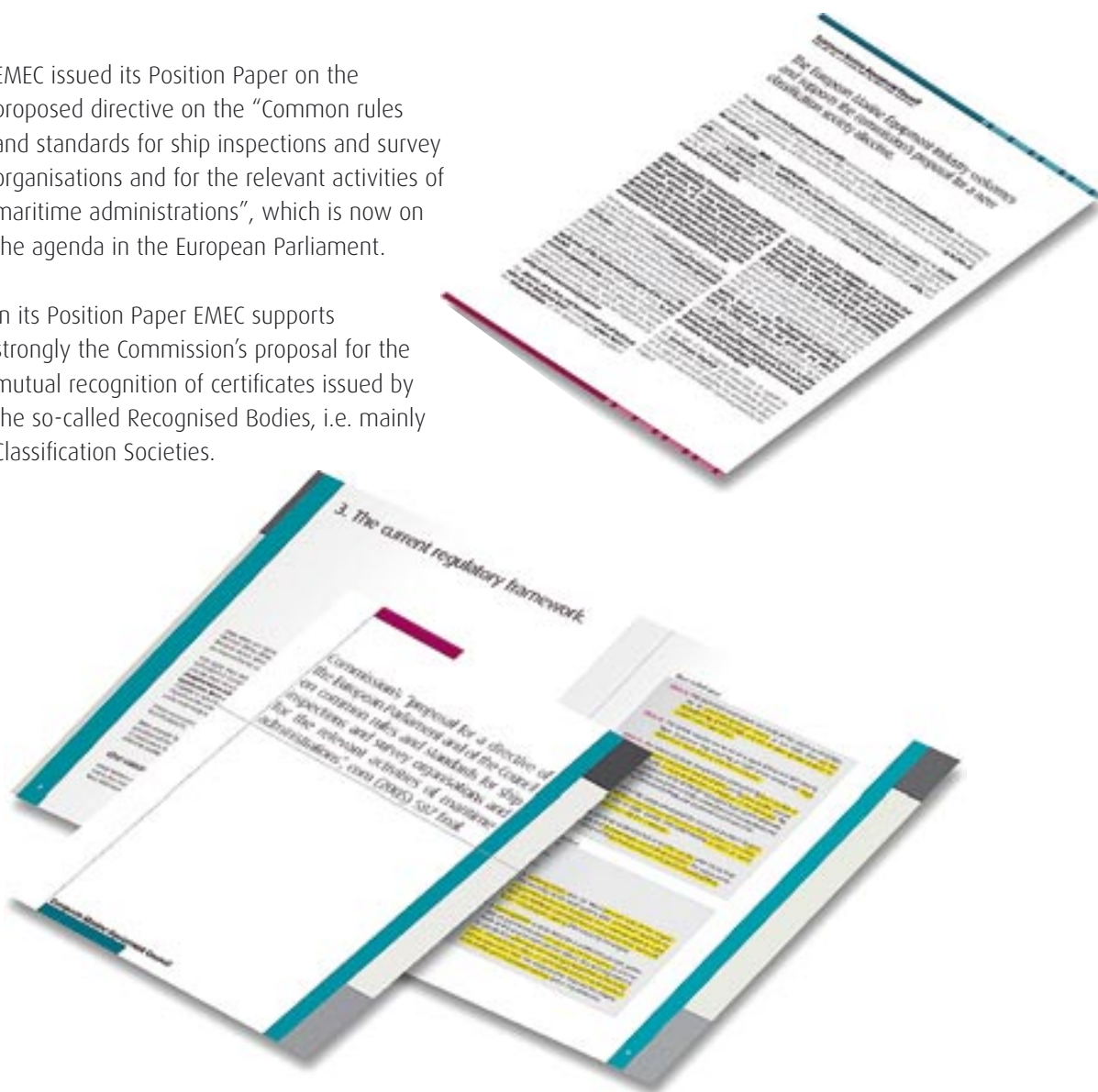
# Policy-making process

ON THE AGENDA IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

## Position Paper on “Class Directive”

EMEC issued its Position Paper on the proposed directive on the “Common rules and standards for ship inspections and survey organisations and for the relevant activities of maritime administrations”, which is now on the agenda in the European Parliament.

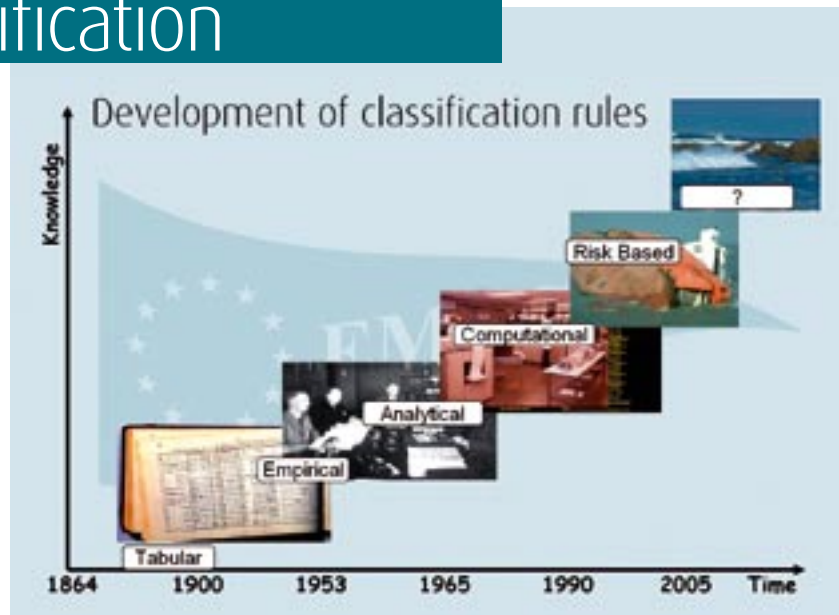
In its Position Paper EMEC supports strongly the Commission’s proposal for the mutual recognition of certificates issued by the so-called Recognised Bodies, i.e. mainly Classification Societies.



THE EMEC WORKING GROUP ON

# Efficient Classification

has been challenging Classification Societies towards achieving a new and more effective and efficient certification system for the last 4 years. Its background work was essential for supporting the Commission's proposal on the "Class Directive".



challenging Classification Societies.

FUTURE MARITIME POLICY FOR THE UNION

# Position on the Green Paper

In 2006 EMEC started drafting its Position Paper on the Green Paper on a Future Maritime Policy for the Union. It will be concluded shortly and submitted to the Commission.



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# Statistics



## STATISTICS IMPROVEMENT

### in quality and quantity

EMEC has undertaken the task to improve the quality and quantity of statistical data available for the marine equipment sector. The goal of this exercise is to get an accurate picture of the economic impact of the industry.

Data was collected from the national associations who are members of EMEC and a discussion with the European Commission, particularly with Eurostat, begun on how to ameliorate the statistical nomenclature for the sector.

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# Events and networking

**September 26th**

**EMEC CONFERENCE AT SMM 2006**

During the SMM 2006 in Hamburg, the conference “European yards and suppliers: a closer cooperation” took place on September 26th. The conference was devoted to the need of closer collaboration within the shipbuilding supply chain, which encompasses shipyards, marine equipment suppliers and shipowners. It was a great success in terms of participation and content.



**October 2006**

**MIF 2006 PLENARY IN OSLO**

EMEC visibility during the MIF Plenary in Oslo in October 2006 was ensured by the high quality speakers representing EMEC in the panel sessions.

**Whole year**

**EMECNet**

EMECNet is a network comprising the larger companies in the sector which supports the activities of EMEC. Actions have been taken in the past year to invigorate and expand it.

**Whole year**

**THE EMEC WORKING GROUP ON INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITIONS**

produced a list of the worldwide Exhibitions for the sector, providing recommendations regarding which ones to attend/not to attend.



# Rules & Regulations

EMEC COORDINATION

## MIF R&R working group

A Working Group on improving the European rules and regulations was created within Maritime Industries Forum and is chaired by EMEC. Its findings and recommendations have been passed on to the European Commission.



THE EMEC WORKING GROUP ON

## Intellectual Property Rights

The EMEC Working Group on IPR was created and was active in raising awareness on the crucial problem of the counterfeiting and piracy of marine equipment, which undermines the position of the European industry.

# Plans for the future...

In 2007 EMEC is going to continue working on the aforementioned issues and will further expand its activity, especially with regard to RDI, trade policy and market access and closer cooperation within the maritime cluster.

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# About the European marine e

## A DEFINITION FOR

### marine equipment

The term 'marine equipment' refers to all products and services supplied for the building, conversion, and maintenance of ships (seagoing and inland). This includes technical services in the field of engineering, installation and commissioning, and ship maintenance (including repair).

## MARINE EQUIPMENT AND

### the shipbuilding industry

The shipbuilding sector encompasses the shipyards and the marine equipment manufacturers including service and knowledge providers.

The European shipbuilding industry is the global leader in the construction of complex vessels such as cruise ships, ferries, mega-yachts and dredgers. It also has a strong position in the building of submarines and other naval vessels.

The European Marine Equipment industry is leading technology for the world wide shipbuilding sector. Companies in the European sector introduce the majority of new innovations in shipbuilding and are world leaders for a wide range of products, from large diesel engines to electronics and the value of the outfit (products, services and systems) on board a vessel can reach up to 70%.

# equipment industry

EMEC

## The Association

Date of Constitution: 1991

Activities in Brussels: 2000

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**AMEM**

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**DANISH MARITIME**

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**SPAIN**

**FINLAND**

**AUSTRIA**

**ITALY**

**CROATIA**

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**POLAND**

**FRANCE**

**THE NETHERLANDS**

**NORWAY**

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The European Marine Equipment Council (EMEC), which is serving the European Marine Equipment industry since 1991, has started activities in Brussels in 2000. EMEC is the only organisation which brings together the entire European marine equipment industry providing a common voice at European level. At present, the number of members is 13 representing 12 countries.

A new prestigious member joined EMEC in July 2006 i.e. Danish Maritime (Denmark); while negotiations with National Associations in other countries have started.

