



Document 2 Draft 2019 Baltic Sea Sewage Port Reception Facilities Overview

This document contains a draft update of the HELCOM PRF Overview with new data for the year 2018, containing information received from Contracting Parties during spring 2019. According to the work plan of CP PRF, the Overview should be updated annually.

HELCOM MARITIME 18-2018 discussed options for keeping the Overview up to date. The Meeting favoured creating an electronic online database, in which users can keep the PRF information up to date on a continuous basis. The Meeting noted, however, that this requires a commitment by all Contracting Parties and relevant stakeholders, and that further discussions on details with the database is needed in the CP PRF.

As a first step to make the updating of information more convenient for everyone involved, the Secretariat circulated a request to Contracting Parties to fill in templates electronically using Word and Excel online.

The online information updating was more convenient and less time consuming for the Secretariat, compared to the previous practice of submitting information via email attachments. However, to be able to report back to MARITIME 19-2019 on the matter, the views and experiences of Contracting Parties would be of utmost importance to receive.

It may also be noted that the relevant information has not yet been updated by all Contracting Parties or ports. A new request will be circulated in due course, with a view to submitting a final draft PRF Overview to MARITIME 19-2019 for approval and subsequent publication. Before publication, the Secretariat will also update the introductory sections of the Overview, as well as information regarding shipping intensity, time spent at sea/port etc.

The excel file containing the submitted data is set out in the Attachment.

Points of discussion

- What is the general feedback about using Word and Excel online?
- The request for statistics concerns international traffic only. Would more clarification have been needed in this regard?
- On the port sheets, there is a map displaying the berths. However, we do not have information on where PRF are available. Are the maps useful? Is it possible to get exact PRF information?
- Would it be beneficial to add some information gathered the project managed by the German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH)? (i.e. questionnaire responses regarding fees, max pump capacity, daily capacity, etc.)
- The information in Figures 3.3-3.6 for each port is based on information from a survey which CLIA together with HELCOM conducted in 2014. Is this information outdated? Should it be kept? Is it feasible to update it?
- Is the the structure of the port sheets too complex? How should we change it? What is the most important information to be shared there?