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Background

In the framework of the WestMOPoCo Project (DG ECHO funding), Cedre, ISPRA and ITOPF are developing the draft Joint Inter-Regional HNS Response Manual, which has been agreed to replace the HELCOM Response Manual Volume 2.

RESPONSE 25-2019 agreed to establish the correspondence group CG HNS MANUAL in order for the Response Working Group to get involved and provide input to the Project drafting team. Comments have been received in several commenting rounds and the latest HELCOM comments, provided to the drafting team during summer 2020, are currently being incorporated in the draft Manual, together with comments from Bonn Agreement and REMPEC.

While the draft Joint Inter-Regional HNS Response Manual is not ready for submission to RESPONSE 28-2020 by the document submission deadline on 12 October 2020, it will be submitted as soon as all comments have been incorporated by the final submission deadline 27 October 2020. Participants are therefore invited to reserve time for reviewing the draft Manual before the Meeting.

This document contains, however, an attachment with two template proposals for Annexes to the draft Manual (general information and regional specificities, respectively), which the Meeting is invited to comment on together with the complete draft Manual to be submitted.

The draft Manual will be presented also at a Webinar to enhance regional cooperation in responding to marine Oil and HNS pollution in the Mediterranean (MEDEXPOL 2020, 27-28 October 2020) where further comments may be provided and to which Heads of Delegation for the Response Working Group have received an invitation to participate.

In order for the Joint Inter-Regional HNS Response Manual to be adopted by HELCOM 42-2021, it should be agreed by the Response Working Group and approved by HOD 59-2020. The Meeting is therefore invited to agree to the draft Manual. If, however, the Meeting is not in a position to agree to the draft Manual during RESPONSE 28-2020, it is proposed that agreement will be done by correspondence before the submission deadline to HOD 59-2020 on 16 November 2020.

Action requested

The Meeting is invited to:

- take note of the progress with regard to the development of the draft Joint Inter-Regional HNS Response Manual;
- comment on the attached template proposals, in particular on regional specificities; and
- consider and agree on the draft Manual, to be submitted in due course.

WestMOPoCo, template proposal for general information

<p>International level</p>	<p>IOPC https://www.hnsconvention.org/</p> <p>IMO - List of conventions: http://www.imo.org/fr/About/Conventions/ListOfConventions/Pages/Default.aspx - Chemical response: http://www.imo.org/en/OurWork/Environment/PollutionResponse/Inventory%20of%20information/Pages/Chemical%20Response.aspx - Global Integrated Shipping Information System https://gisis.imo.org/Public/Default.aspx</p> <p>EQUASIS http://www.equasis.org/EquasisWeb/public/HomePage</p> <p>UNECE - http://www.unece.org/trans/danger/danger.html</p>
<p>European level</p>	<p>European Commission - Transport Data Hub: https://ec.europa.eu/transport/facts-fundings/statistics_en - Chemical substances: https://ec.europa.eu/jrc/en/scientific-tool/european-union-system-evaluation-substances</p> <p>EMSA - MAR-ICE http://www.emsa.europa.eu/chemical-spill-response/mar-ice-network.html - Vessel traffic monitoring in EU waters (SafeSeaNet) http://www.emsa.europa.eu/ssn-main.html - Clean Sean Net http://emsa.europa.eu/csn-menu.html - Port State Control inspection Database –THETIS http://www.emsa.europa.eu/ship-inspection-support/thetis.html</p> <p>INTERSPILL Conference&Exhibition https://www.interspillevent.com/</p>
<p>Useful tools or manuals</p>	<p>SAR - https://www.raja.fi/chemsar Emergency Response Guide - https://tc.canada.ca/en/dangerous-goods/canutec - Chemical response guides https://wwz.cedre.fr/en/Resources/Publications/Chemical-Response-Guides - MIDSIS-TROCS https://www.rempoc.org/fr/resources/outils-d2019aide-a-la-decision/midsis-trocs - Knowledge tool to access projects related to HNS: http://knowledgetool.mariner-project.eu/</p>

WestMOPoCo, template proposal for regional specificities

Website of regional

Preparedness	
Maritime traffic - HNS transported - Maritime lines	Weblink to the updated version Weblink to statistics or real time AIS or report on traffic
Regional plans Training courses Exercises	Weblink to the updated version Weblink(s) to training centers and contact detail Weblink(s) to know the date of last exercise and contact detail

Operational concern	
SAR	Contact for emergency Existence of special rescue team (for instance MIRG)
Emergency response on HNS Environmental Sensitive Index	Contact for emergency Weblink to online ESI, wildlife
List of equipment	Weblink or contact to access to list of equipment + contact or procedure for mobilization