



## **BIOGRAPHY**

### ***Piero PELLIZZARI***

*Rear Admiral (Lwr Hlf), Italian Coast Guard*

Rear Admiral Piero PELLIZZARI, born on February 29<sup>th</sup> 1960, attended the Italian Naval Academy in Livorno, Italy from 1979 to 1983.

As an Italian Navy Officer, he attended the United States Navy flight school where he qualified as a Naval Aviator.

He transferred to the Italian Coast Guard in 1991 where he has participated in the main Coast Guard projects concerning supply and updating of systems and services in the fields of communications, maritime traffic monitoring, radio navigation and newly developed vessel command/control/communication systems.

Since 1996, he has actively contributed to and fostered the Italian national VTMISS platform as well as the Mediterranean AIS server for exchange of navigational data among the EU Mediterranean Sea countries' implementation plans, in strict coordination with EMSA.

He has been in charge of a number of important projects for several years now aiming at digitalisation of port arrival/departure procedures and integration with existing/developing systems in local port communities and other State agencies, and of the Italian Single Window (referred to in the 2010/65/EU Directive) design and implementation.

Currently, he heads up the VII Department, ICT and Vessel Traffic Monitoring Systems at the Italian Coast Guard General Headquarters.

Rear Admiral Pellizzari is:

- alternate member of the Administrative Board of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) in Lisbon, Portugal;
- member of the Council of the International Association of marine aids to navigation and Lighthouse Authorities (IALA) and;
- member of the SafeSeaNet High-Level Steering Group (HLSG).

He has acquired the following degrees:

- Master's degree in Maritime and Naval Sciences from Pisa University, Italy;
- Master's degree in International and Diplomatic Sciences (Faculty of Political Sciences) from Trieste University, Italy and;
- Second-level Master degree in Advanced Security Studies from Perugia University, Italy.