

SAFEMED III Training for CleanSeaNet Operators

18 and 19 March 2014

Summary Report

The SAFEMED III training for CleanSeaNet Operators took place from 18 to 19 March 2014 at EMSA premises. The training was a follow-up to the CleanSeaNet Information Session which took place on 18 November 2013 to raise awareness of the European satellite-based oil spill monitoring and vessel detection service in the SAFEMED III beneficiary countries.

CleanSeaNet is the European satellite-based oil spill monitoring and vessel detection service set up to support EU Member States' action to combat deliberate or accidental pollution in the marine environment. It offers assistance to participating countries for the following activities: identifying and tracing oil pollution on the sea surface; monitoring accidental pollution during emergencies; and, contributing to the identification of polluters.

This training session was a preliminary phase in the implementation of a pilot project making the CleanSeaNet (CSN) service available to the SAFEMED III beneficiary countries interested in joining it upon the signature of the CSN Conditions of Use. The two-days training contributed to training the future potential practical users of the service (operators) from the following countries: Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia.

The participants visited EMSA's Maritime Support Services (MSS) Centre, the main day-to-day task of which is the provision of support to the SafeSeaNet EU vessel traffic monitoring and information system; the LRIT global ship tracking system and the CSN oil spill monitoring and vessel detection system.

The CSN service is expected to be delivered to the SAFEMED III beneficiary countries who have signed the relevant Conditions of Use, from the first quarter of 2015 and to be complemented by integrated maritime data provided through the Integrated Maritime Data Environment (IMDatE).

For more information on CSN service consult EMSA's website:

<http://emsa.europa.eu/operations/cleanseanet.html>

For more information on IMDatE consult EMSA's website:

<http://emsa.europa.eu/operations/maritime-monitoring/86-maritime-monitoring/1520-integrated-maritime-data-environment-imdate.html>