2nd CISE Stakeholder Group meeting held in Lisbon on 3 October 2019

Meeting report

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List of Abbreviations

CISE	Common Information Sharing Environment
COM	European Commission
CSG	CISE Stakeholder Group
DG MARE	European Commission's Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries
EEA	European Economic Area
EMFF	European Maritime and Fisheries Fund
EMSA	European Maritime Safety Agency
ETSI	European Telecommunications Standards Institute
EU	European Union
EUCISE2020	European test bed for the maritime Common Information Sharing Environment in the 2020 perspective
IPR	Intellectual Property Rights
JRC	Joint Research Centre
MS	Member States of the European Union
MSeG	Sub-Group on the Integration of Maritime Security and Surveillance
RTS	Responsibility to Share

1.   Introduction
1.1   Background

The 2nd CISE Stakeholder Group (CSG) meeting took place at EMSA on 3 October 2019. The meeting was convened by the CSG Chairman Mr Leendert Bal, EMSA.

The following CSG Member States and institutions were represented at the meeting: Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Malta, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Spain, The Netherlands, The United Kingdom, European Defence Agency, European Fisheries Control Agency, European Border and Coast Guard Agency, European Union Satellite Centre, European Commission Joint Research Centre and European Commission DG MARE (the full list of participants is in the Annex 5.1).

The meeting presentations can be downloaded at the following URL: http://www.emsa.europa.eu/cise/meetings-and-workshops.html

1.2   Document Contents

2.   Meeting session
2.1   Welcome and Opening

Leendert Bal, Head of Department C - Operations, welcomed all Member States (MS) and Agencies to the second meeting of the CISE Stakeholder Group (CSG).

Mr Bal began by expressing on behalf of the CSG his deepest condolences after the passing away of Ms Carolina Matarazzi.

The four new members of EMSA's team for CISE, who had joined the Agency in September, introduced themselves to the group.

The agenda was adopted (see section 5.2).

2.2   Opening session

Mr Christos Economou, COM-DG MARE, noticed the slight increase in numbers of represented countries at this second meeting of the CSG and shared his perception that word is spreading about the transitional phase of CISE and that interest is shown.

In September, a Staff Working Document on the Review of CISE: 2014-2019 had been published together with a Study supporting the CISE Review. Mr Economou presented the content of the document and informed that the document had been presented to the Friends of the Presidency Group. The Finnish Council Presidency is currently preparing Council conclusions where CISE will be mentioned. Negotiations continue for the proposed Regulation for the Maritime and Fisheries Fund (EMFF) post 2020, where financial support for CISE operations is envisaged.

Regarding the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), Mr Economou explained that the process is delayed but ongoing. A document is prepared to be signed by MS to finalise the transfer of rights to EMSA. The finalisation is very important as any delay will inevitably influence EMSA's possibilities to complete the tasks under the transitional phase.

On the last matter, Mr Bal seconded the message that it is important that EUCISE2020 and relevant States make every effort to finalise the transfer of IPR to EMSA. Almost one quarter of the project time has already passed, which impacts the delivery of some of the tasks defined in the MSeG paper.

(For detailed information please see the presentation).

Questions & Answers

DE	**Germany could agree with everything included in the Staff Working Document, in particular the conclusion, which mentions the strategic governance of the CISE operational phase. Germany expressed that the governing role currently lies with a consultative body, while there for the operational phase should be a decision-making body that can take long term strategic decisions about CISE.**
	Mr Economou thanked Germany for raising the issue and acknowledged the need to plan early on, noting however that it is still early days and mentioning as an example that we have a new European Commission yet to take office.

On the grounds of the presentation and discussion, decisions D2/1 was taken, see section 3 of this document.

2.3   Transitional phase activities

EMSA provided an update on the status of the activities defined for the project and the time plan for their completion. The list of decisions from the 1st CSG meeting was also commented on. In this regard, EMSA presented the outcome of the nomination process of Node Owners, Node Administrators, members to the Cooperation Agreement Working Group and members to the Configuration Board Working Group, reminding that additional nominations can still be made.

As a consequence of the decision during the 1st CSG meeting to establish the single point of contact for technical and operational support, and for administrative requests/questions, it was proposed to the CSG to decide that the e-mail address referred to in the MSeG Governance Paper should not be used, since the two e-mail addresses already agreed were considered sufficient.

Related to the time plan for the project, it was concluded that those activities that depend on the transfer of IPR are in delay, which can also continue to affect the timeline. Other project activities, not dependent on that issue, are following the time plan. The plan will be updated when the transfer of IPR is concluded.

(For detailed information please see the presentation).

Questions & Answers

| BL | Bulgaria asked what type of services that EMSA will offer to share within CISE.

EMSA explained that this will be defined in the following months, more information will be provided at the next CSG meeting. |
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| COM | Mr Economou informed that a Security Study will be launched before the end of the year, addressing the security aspect of the exchange of information through the system. The result of the study will give more information about what type of data that can be shared. |
| NL | The Netherlands, referring to the comment made by Bulgaria, expressed that the issue should not be the information from an Agency to a State, but rather the point to point transmission and information sharing between States. |
| FI | Finland reminded that there are already systems in place relating to the transfer of security information, such as EUROSUR, and expressed the wish to see the same principles for CISE.

Mr Bal reminded that CISE is a cross sector initiative and while different networks will be considered to enable the sharing of information, it is important that this principle is preserved. |

On the grounds of this presentation and discussion, decision D2/2 was taken, see section 3 of this document.

2.4   Cooperation Agreement

EMSA presented an initial structure of the Cooperation Agreement. The draft structure had been prepared by the specialized law firm contracted by the project and should be seen as a list of topics to be addressed by the Cooperation Agreement Working Group, not pre-empting those discussions. Any comments, questions, proposals or input related to the presentation and/or the Cooperation Agreement should be sent to EMSA after the meeting.

(For detailed information please see the presentation).

Questions & Answers

| BL | Bulgaria noted firstly that the responsibility of the node owner was emphasized in the presentation, and that there is probably a need to streamline the existing agreements in that sense. They miss however the role of the participating authorities and their responsibility. It may be useful to start thinking of some guidelines for the participating authority, to balance the node owners' responsibility.

With reference to the amendment procedure of the Cooperation Agreement, Bulgaria expressed that there is a need for a fast track for smaller amendments apart from the one for principle issues, which may require more time.

Bulgaria further expressed that in the Cooperation Agreement, we need to discuss also future connecting countries such as EEA countries or Enlargement Countries,
On this issue, Mr Bal commented that this is a strictly political decision which is not for the CSG to discuss. |
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| COM | Mr Economou expressed that it was useful to see what a Cooperation Agreement may look like. He strongly encouraged Stakeholders to be part of this preparatory work in the working group, to raise any questions there and not wait for the issue to come back to CSG. This is the time to contribute. |

On the grounds of this presentation and discussion the decision D2/3 was taken, see section 3 of this document

2.5   Responsibility to share

Mr Bernhard Wehner, Germany, provided a background on the topic of Responsibility to Share (RTS). Mr Wehner stressed the relevance of the RTS for CISE. Moving from the "need to know" principle towards the RTS will foster the sharing of information.

(For detailed information please see the presentation).

Questions & Answers

IT	Italy suggested to consider for the Cooperation Agreement that information processed and distributed to MS with European founds should be distributed in the CISE network without restriction (unless that data is restricted).
COM	Mr Economou thanked Germany for an enlightening presentation. It is possible that Responsibility to Share can be made practicable through the Cooperation Agreement. Mr Economou noticed that Responsibility to Share was not referred to in the presentation on the Cooperation Agreement in the morning, but that the CSG can still discuss if it can have its place there and how far we can go in this regard.
BL	Bulgaria thanked Germany and agreed that Responsibility to Share is important to have in the operational CISE post 2021, but that it is difficult to see what we would audit against. There should be a step by step approach, and it might be easier to evolve at a later stage. The audit scheme could possibly be introduced on a voluntary basis before making it mandatory, similar to what the IMO did with the IMO Member State Audit Scheme.
FR	France supports the Responsibility to Share principle. What is needed is the tools to measure and implement it. In this regard, France has some experience related to the coast guard function. France expressed that the Cooperation Agreement Working Group should not be mixed with the issue of Responsibility to Share. France sees the draft Cooperation Agrement as a standard agreement of legal issues, wihout addressing Responsibility to Share. In general, it is difficult to know what sort of data will be shared by others. There is a need for a catalogue of possible data that can be provided, to encourage Stakeholders to get involved.
PT	Portugal referred to their long and active involvement in the development of CISE, the importance of CISE for blue growth and the imporant resources that has been invested in the work. During the transtional phase it is crucial to create incentives and clarify why CISE is important.
NL	The Netherlands agreed that we need to show the benefits, but to feed it from the roots and not work from an audit approach. Therfore defining the use cases in CISE is important.
BE	Belgium supported France's suggestion about a catalogue.
DE	Germany, with reference to the comment made by the European Commission, expressed that the Cooperation Agreement is the document where to include the Responsibility to Share. Germany reminded that the Responsibility to Share is one of the deliverables in the EUCISE2020 projects. Germany advised that the conduct of an "Audit Study" is explicitly mentioned in the CISE Transition Phase Activity Document adopted by the MSEG in Feb 2019. The study is considered essential to identify institutional obstacles to RTS. Germany clarified that the audit should not be mandatory. In the view of Germany the auditing should help to understand what impedes a MS from sharing information.
BE	Belgium suggested CSG should also think about our role as service providers, information providers, to third parties.
UK	The United Kingdom suggested to promote CISE more in important fora, for example the Maritime Security Expert Commitee.

On the grounds of the presentation and discussion, the decision D2/4 and D2/8 were taken, see section 3 of this document

2.6   Best practices workshop

EMSA presented the proposal for a Workshop on Best Practices.

(For detailed information please make reference to the meeting document and the presentation).

Questions & Answers

DE	Germany expressed their willingness to contribute to the workshop, mentioning that they could see a connection to Responsibility to Share.

IT	Italy expressed a wish to allow more participants and suggested to have a streaming on the internet from the meeting.
FR	France confirmed that they, being node owners, are willing to share best practices. They have an ongoing development of their network and should be able to share some of the results at the workshop.
PT	Portugal offered to share their experience from EUCISE2020.

On the grounds of the presentation and discussion the decision D2/5 was taken, see section 3 of this document.

2.7   Collaboration platform and website

EMSA introduced the new webpages for CISE on EMSA's website and the collaborative platform in Microsoft Teams, and explained how they will be used and supplement one another. EMSA will distribute a document that describes how the information are going to be published on the public and restricted tools, and how to access to the restricted tool.

 (For detailed information please see the presentation).

Questions & Answers

BL	Bulgaria suggested to EMSA to create individual accounts on social media for posts related to CISE, separate from EMSA general accounts.
COM	Mr Economou expressed appreciation for the new website and emphasized its importance in order to make progress visible. He also appreciated the interactive collaborative platform and encouraged Stakeholders to use it.
FR	France advised the CISE Secretariat to keep the document library well structured, to enable easy access to documents.

On the grounds of the presentation and discussion the decision D2/6 was taken, see section 3 of this document.

2.8   Technical and operational support

EMSA presented the support processes for technical and operational activities. The updated architecture diagram was demonstrated. The need for Stakeholders to nominate node administrators and node owners was particularly addressed.

EMSA introduced the proposal for a Test Campaign, with reference to the document sent ahead of the meeting.

JRC provided an update of the support services provided by JRC during the period since the 1st CSG meeting (May-September).

(For detailed information please make reference to the presentation).

Questions & Answers

DE	Germany thanked the JRC for the precious work they do to connect the newcomers to the network. Germany supported the proposal for a test campaign and expressed that it should be done as soon as possible.

On the grounds of the presentation and discussion the decision D2/7 was taken, see section 3 of this document.

2.9   Status of the implementation of national nodes/adaptors and plans for the transitional phase

The following CSG members delivered the following presentations:

- Belgium – Thierry Segers, Belgian Navy;

- Bulgaria – Peter Kirov, Bulgarian Maritime Administration;

- France – Ronan Chastanet, SG MER;

- Poland – Katarzyna Kardasiewicz, Ministry of Maritime Economy and Inland Navigation;

- Spain – Gonzalo Lafita Becerril, Guardia Civil.

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Questions & Answers

BE	**During their presentation, Belgium noted that OCEAN2020 deals with Classified information, not only Restricted.**
	The CSG noted that this should be addressed in the Cooperation Agreement WG, given that in the presentation in the morning it had been concluded that information in CISE will be Restricted (only).
BL	**Bulgaria informed they are now part of the Andromeda project under Horizon2020, which is CISE-related. They expressed a request to have an EMSA officer appointed to liaise with to inform of these issues, to avoid duplication or build a separate CISE. In addition, DG MARE should ensure to avoid that when the calls and projects are prepared.**
	Mr Bal replied that there are numerous projects and EMSA is not able to engage with all of them, however could be consulted then the calls ore projects are drafted.
	Mr Economou acknowledged that it is difficult to keep track of everything and encouraged Stakeholders to inform about the different initiatives they intend to engage in.
IT	**Italy requested easily accessible technical information.**
	Mr Berger replied that some information has been published on the CISE/EMSA website, and that more will be published once the IPR is solved.
EMSA	**Mr Bal thanked the Member States for the presentations and invited the EU Agencies and newcomers to present at the next meeting.**

2.10   Standardization

JRC introduced the CISE standardization process and the work within the Industry Specification Group (ISG) in ETSI (European Telecommunications Standards Institute).

(For detailed information please see the presentation).

DE	**Germany encouraged more MS to take part in ETSI and informed that a State's membership in ETSI can be delegated within that State to a specific authority.**
	Germany suggested that EMSA should be part of this process.
	Mr Bal agreed to involve EMSA in the standardization process.

3. Meeting outcomes

3.1 Decisions

The following decisions have been taken during the meeting:

Decision number	Description	Note
D2/1 - IPR	The CSG urged the EUCISE2020 members to finalize the transfer of intellectual property rights to the European Commission.	
D2/2 - Transitional phase activities	The CSG decided not to make use of the cise-stakeholder e-mail address referred to in the MSeG Governance paper, as the following accounts are sufficient: cise@emsa.europa.eu – administrative cise-support@emsa.europa.eu – technical The plan will be updated when the transfer of IPR is concluded.	
D2/3 - Cooperation Agreement	The CSG will provide comments on the Cooperation Agreement structure. CSG members are also invited to submit a text proposal to include in the Cooperation Agreement.	
D2/4 - Responsibility to share	CSG members are invited to provide their feedback on the RTS topic. In case additional information is needed, CSG members should request this support (i.e. sending an e-mail to cise@emsa.europa.eu).	
D2/5 - Best Practice Workshop	The CSG agreed on the date for the workshop and on the content, in general, as presented in the document. Detailed information about the WS will be sent.	The workshop will be held on 11 December 2019.
D2/6 - Collaboration platform – point of contact	The CSG further agreed that EMSA can publish on the CISE website a list of Organisations members of the CSG, personal information will not be published	
D2/7 - Operational test campaign	The CSG agreed on the proposal as presented in the document and agreed to conduct the test campaign, and appoint a person in a task force for the revision of the scenarios (by the 15 November 2019)	
D2/8 - Catalogue	The CSG requested to implement the CISE catalogue service in order to collect and publish the information about the data (namely metadata) distributed by all the nodes connected to the network.	

Decision Number: CSG meeting / Decision number (i.e. D1/1 is the 1st decision agreed during the 1st CSG).

3.2 Tasks

The following tasks have been agreed during the meeting:

Task number	Description	Decision number	Responsible	deadline	Note
T2/1	Provide comments or input on the initial structure of the Cooperation Agreement	D2/3, D2/4	Each CSG member	15/11/2019

(The time frame for comments suggested during the meeting was further expanded by EMSA.) | An email should be sent to cise@emsa.europa.eu providing comments, text proposals or other input to the initial structure as presented at the meeting. |
T2/2	Nominate a person to join a task force for the revision of the scenarios for the Test Campaign	D2/7	Each CSG member	15/11/2019	An email should be sent to cise@emsa.europa.eu specifying name, the e-mail account and phone number of the nominee.
T2/4	Review the diagram presented by EMSA (Presentation "07 Technical and Operation support – EMSA" slide 2) and send comments or request for amendments in order to improve it	D2/7	Each CSG member	15/11/2019	An email should be sent to cise@emsa.europa.eu with comments or request for amendments.
T2/5	The catalogue service proposal should be discussed by the Configuration Board Working Group	D2/8	Configuration Board	Next CSG meeting	

Task Number: CSG meeting / task number (i.e. T1/1 is the 1st task agreed during the 1st CSG).

4. Conclusion

The CSG approved the updated Work Breakdown Structure and the plan to implement the CISE Transitional Phase activities, thus a number of decisions and tasks were agreed during the meeting (see section 3 of this document).

The 3rd CSG meeting is planned for 13 February 2020.

5.   Annexes

5.1   List of Participants

Country	First name	Last name	Organisation
Belgium	Thierry	Segers	Belgian Navy
Bulgaria	Krasiyana	Nikolaeva	Bulgarian Maritime Administration
Bulgaria	Peter	Kirov	Bulgarian Maritime Administration
Estonia	Marge	Kohtla	Estonian Police and Border Guard Board
Finland	Mikko	Hirvi	The Finnish Border Guard
France	Ronan	Chastanet	SG MER
France	Laurent	Frayssignes	French Navy Head Quarters
France	Henri	De Foucauld	SG MER
Germany	Bernhard	Wehner	FGMSSC
Germany	Elise	Kleinsorgen	Federal Ministry of Transport
Greece	Nikolaos	Sourounis	HELLENIC COAST GUARD
Greece	Ioannis	Kandirakis	SFN
Ireland	Brian	Mathews	Irish Naval Service
Italy	Luigi	Ciani	ITALIAN NAVY
Malta	Jason	Bongailas	Malta Marittima Agency
Malta	Michelle	Formosa	Malta Marittima Agency
Norway	Ingvild	Skorve	Norwegian Ministry of Transport
Norway	Dagfinn	Terning	BarentsWatch
Poland	Katarzyna	Kardasiewicz	Ministry of Maritime Economy and Inland Navigation
Portugal	Nuno	Ribeiro	DGPM
Portugal	João	Ferreira	Marinha
Portugal	Rui	Tavares	DGRM
Portugal	Paula	Madeira	DGPM
Portugal	Vasco	Prates	PRT NAVY
Spain	Alejandro	Cervantes	Spanish Armada
Spain	Vicente	Solla Alvarez	DIRECCION GENERAL DE LA MARINA MERCANTE
Spain	Gonzalo	Lafita Becerril	Guardia Civil
The Netherlands	Henk	Rohaan	MoDNL/ NLCG
The Netherlands	Frits	Broekema	Ministry of Defence
The Netherlands	Marco	Van Roon	Ministry of defence
United Kingdom	Valerie	Trojanowska	Department for Transport
	Eric	Girard	European Defence Agency
	Alexander	Fuchs	Frontex
	Zdravko	Kolev	Frontex
	Sven	Tahon	EFCA
	Patricia	Romeyro	SatCen
	Denis	Bruckert	SatCen
	Jesus	Hermida	European Commission - JRC
	David	Berger	European Commission - JRC
	Christos	Economou	European Commission
	Alexandru	Chiric	European Commisssion

The following EMSA staff participated at the meeting:

- Leendert Bal (meeting Chairman)
- Gianluca Luraschi (CISE Project Manager)
- Anna Bizzozero (Administrative Officer for CISE)
- Lola Carmona Zafra (Financial, Budget and Procurement Officer for CISE)
- Nuria Decker (Financial, Budget and Procurement Officer for CISE)
- Daniele Colasimone (Configuration and Deployment Officer for CISE)

5.2   Agenda

Thursday, 03 October 2019	
Time	**Agenda Item**
09:00 – 09:30	**Registration and coffee**
09:30 – 09:40	**Welcome and logistics**
09:40 – 10:00	**Opening session**
10:00 – 10:30	**Transition phase activities** (status report)
10:30 – 11:00	**Preparation of draft Cooperation Agreement** (status report) (to be signed amongst the CSG members to support the exchange of information)
11:00 – 11:20	*Coffee break*
11:20 – 11:50	**Responsibility to share** (introduction)
11:50 – 12:20	**Best practices workshop** (proposal)
12:20 – 13:00	**Collaborative platform** (presentation of the new tool)
13:00 – 14:15	*Lunch break*
14:15 – 14:45	**Technical and Operational support** (status report by EMSA and JRC)
14:45 – 16:00	**Status of the implementation of national nodes/adaptors and plans for the Transition Phase** • MS/Agencies that did not present last time, and updates from others if relevant
16:00 – 16:20	*Coffee break*
16:20 – 16:40	**Standardisation** (status report)
16:40 – 17:00	**Summary and conclusions**

Remarks
- Open discussion will be moderated at the end of each session.