

Wadden Sea Board

**WSB 19
24 March 2017
Wilhelmshaven**



Agenda Item: 5.5
Subject: DenGerNeth Mar. Adm. Grp. 2nd meeting
Document No. WSB 19/5.5/1
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Submitted by: DENGERNETH Administration Group

Proposal: The meeting is invited to consider the document.

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Venue:

Værnsfælles Forsvarskommando (Defence Command Denmark)
Danneskiold-Samsøes Allé 1
DK-1434 Copenhagen
Denmark

Time: 09:00 – 15:00

Chair: Carsten Jensen, Danish Maritime Authority (DMA)

Participants:

- Netherlands (NL):

Sjon Huisman	RWS ZD, Head of delegation
Michiel Visser	RWS ZD
Jan-Maarten Bakker	RWS N-N

- Germany (DE):

Hartmut Hilmer	GDWS, Head of delegation
Christina Schneider	GDWS

- Denmark (DK):

Carsten Jensen	DMA, Head of delegation (Minutes)
Torben Iversen	Naval Staff (Host)
Matthias Buch	Naval Staff

Agenda item 1): Welcome and last MoM

The Chair welcomed the participants and referred also to the pleasant initial first meeting in Hamburg. It was also noted, that the first MoM had been approved by correspondence.

The Chair noted a few action items from the last MoM-1:

- a) Last meeting, agenda item 3 – An amendment to the ToR. The Chair referred to the suggested editorial change of adding the relevant administrations after the names of contact. The issue was agreed upon. The Chair would amend the ToR as ver. 1.2 and forward it to the group and the CWSS.

- b) Last meeting, agenda item 4 - Exchange of information btw. VTS-Center's. The matter was referred to the work of the Five Operational Plans.

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- c) Last meeting, agenda item 4 - Response on shallow waters, workshop 21 – 22 June 2017. See this meeting's agenda item 5.

Issues of stakeholders were discussed in general and it was noted that there were considerably differences between Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands, and especially the last mentioned had to consider a national topic of stakeholder groups with interest for the Wadden Sea. An average approach to stakeholders in the DenGerNeth group was difficult to reach due to this context.

Agenda item 2): Information from CWSS (latest WSB meeting)

The CWSS had sent the relevant outcome from the last WSB meeting to the DenGerNeth Administration Group in e-mail on 18 November 2016:

The Waden Sea Board:

1. invites the DenGerNeth Maritime Administration Group to the next board meeting (WSB19) to present themselves and to commonly elaborate upon the agreement concerning the relevant specific paragraphs of the Tønder-declaration. **Response _____:**

The group send a reply. The DenGerNeth MARAD will be represented.

2. requests the DenGerNeth Maritime Administration Group to provide an overview of the implementation of the relevant provisions of the Tønder Declaration (§ 55-57 incl. annex 5). The overview should also include a timeframe and should be submitted in time for the 19th meeting of the Wadden Sea Board (1st quarter of 2017, exact date tbd). **Response _____:**

3. invites the DenGerNeth maritime administration group to deliberate on the issue of awareness and education, including how to involve and make use of its relevant professional network. **Response _____:**

4. asks the DenGerNeth group to consider how involvement of stakeholders can take place (which stakeholders/organizations, frequency, agenda, etc.) and to provide an overview to the 19th meeting of the Wadden Sea Board. **Response _____:**

We hope you will be available to meet with the WSB at its next meeting, the date and venue of which have yet to be determined, but which will take place in the 1st quarter of 2017 and look forward to welcoming you there. **Response _____:**

The outcome was disused and DK/DMA noted especial that it would not be possible to justify the invitation to the next Board meeting due to resources. It was discussed, that some might participate in the Board meeting on behalf of the DenGerNeth group. DE would prepare a suggestion for a draft text in reply to the WSB and send it to the group for consideration, before sending to the CWSS.

Agenda item 3): Tønder Declaration, item 55 – 57, table 1

The content was primary seen as a statement with a need of only minor comments; see draft ver. 1 of table 1.

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Agenda item 4): Five Operational Plans, table 2

The principal topic of the meeting was to work through the Five Operational Plans paragraph by paragraph referring to the draft version of table 2. Text contributions were suggested and discussed, and additional text proposals would be forwarded after the meeting. The Chair would then incorporate the contributions into the document as a version 2 for further elaboration at the next meeting.

It was further agreed to include a one page introductory paper as a cover for the response of the operational plans, with the aim of being able to present a formal reply to the ministerial conference in 2018. The final and complete drafted outcome should also be used to achieve a national mandate, before sending to the CWSS. DE would prepare a draft for the introductory paper.

Agenda item 5): Any other business

From MoM-1, agenda item 4, bullet II Response workshop 21 – 22 June 2017: *“at the next meeting discuss and decide on, whether a sequence of workshops could be the optimum forum for the pollution control authorities of exchanging experiences and practices with respect to pollution response in shallow waters. Denmark will investigate the possibilities to host an initial workshop. For planning purposes, 21st and 22nd June 2017 was suggested, as the workshop could take place in the same region as DENGERNETH exercise”*. The DK/Naval Staff informed that a sequence of workshops were under consideration for the second half of 2017. For this reason, the before mentioned workshop on 21 and 22 June 2017 had been postponed. The shallow water workshops are to be brought under »DenGerNeth« within the BONN AGREEMENT, thus leaving it outside the DenGerNeth MARAD group.

Agenda item 6): Next meeting

It was decided to continue the work of the Five Operational Plans before long to be able to send a statement to the next meeting of the Wadden Sea Board in March 2017 and further complete the work no later than the in due time of the autumn Board meeting in 2017, and considering the Ministerial Conference in February 2018.

In this regard it was decided to have the next DenGerNeth MARAD meeting on 25 January 2017 in Leeuwarden in the Netherlands (later agreed to **24 January**). The upcoming Chair would in due time send further information of the meeting venue and an invitation.