



SHADE MED 1 – 2018

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operation SOPHIA

Shared Awareness and De-confliction in the Mediterranean (SHADE MED) is a forum where representatives from nations and organisations interested in or impacted by migration in the Southern Central Mediterranean can meet to discuss and share knowledge and de-conflict and coordinate their activities. It allows assessment of the evolution of trends and sharing of best practices. SHADE MED's primary aim is to provide a mechanism aimed at de-conflicting and where possible coordinating military and civilian resources, military & civilian operations and industry practices to achieve the maximum efficiency and effectiveness in managing activities related to migration in the Mediterranean.

The last SHADE MED forum was held on **23rd - 24th November 2017**, attracting **202 participants from 36 countries**, belonging to **94 organizations**. It was a successful forum to establish partnership and collaboration in a wide area.

The Chairmanship of the event is rotational and the upcoming event in June will be co-chaired with the Allied Maritime Command (MARCOM). **SHADE MED 1-2018** will be held in **Rome on 19th – 20th June 2018**. The first day of the event is focused on two Keynote panels which will be led by MARCOM and EUNAVFOR MED Operation SOPHIA, commencing with keynote addresses and followed by operational updates. In the afternoon of the first day and during the morning of the second day different **working groups** will discuss about fundamental current and forward looking themes and issues. focused on specific topics as follows:

Migration in the Central Mediterranean: The people, international organizations and the Coast Guards that rescue them - Challenges and Opportunities (WG1)

Raising awareness through the sharing of information and best practice, among all actors involved in this unique operational environment. How can we better address ethical, humanitarian and health issues to minimize human suffering in this environment?

Smugglers' Business Model (WG 2)

Understanding the drivers behind the current Smugglers' Business Model and how it might develop in the future. How can we better disrupt the Smugglers' Business Model and how can we measure our effectiveness?

Communication and Information Exchange Systems (WG 3)

The integration of Shipping Companies / Unions into the "Protocol on the voluntary exchange between ships organization in the Mediterranean Sea". Discussions about the required information, procedures and capabilities, concerning the SMART system, with a "real time presentation" of SMART with all features.

Developing best practice for capacity-building of the LCG&N (WG 4)

Examining the way in which national and multilateral initiatives could better feed the capacity-building process. Build a common view of the training needs of the Libyan Coast Guard and Navy and identify possible ways forward. Sharing successful examples of capacity-building.

Information exchange between military and commercial shipping: a review of available operational guidelines to identify evolving requirements (WG 5) Co-chaired by ICS

Assessing existing guidelines and operational procedures and discuss possible further documents useful in the Central Mediterranean Sea.

Legal challenges related to oil smuggling (WG 6)

Assessing the legal framework for enforcement of measures against illegal exports that are contrary to UNSCR 2146 (2014) and UNSCR 2362 (2017).

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