

# I.S.R.A

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## *ISRA welcomes EU Regulation on Ship Recycling*

Active lobby by ISRA

ISRA welcomes the new Regulation on Ship Recycling, issued lately by the European Union. For a long time ISRA has been strongly supportive of initiatives from the European Commission to make free movement of ships possible in order to use green recycling yards outside the

more important role for this group of ships and hopes that the owners will find their way to these yards. These ISRA members already offer a green capacity more than sufficient to handle all EU flagged ships which will come yearly on the recycling

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European Union. This Regulation will set the trend of green recycling as an interim measure towards the IMO Hong Kong Convention getting into force. The Regulation will allow a selection of sustainable yards in, and outside, the European Union appropriate to recycle EU flagged ships. ISRA is confident that its member yards, also outside the European Union, will meet the criteria and will play a

market.

ISRA have collected the opinion on the EU regulation of its members and have brought the issues to Brussels and also to the via various EU country delegations in Brussels. Such in order to make the regulation more practical. Via a press release we have informed all concerned

ISRA will be stay alert!

## *Meeting members*

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The last couple of months various members have been visited of were involved in stakeholders' discussions.

Our General Secretary visited China and paid a visit to all our Chinese members.

With all the Dutch members a visit was paid to the Dutch ministry expressing our views on the EC regulation.

During the Ship Recycling Conference in London, June, a Technical Working Group meeting was held with various (associated) members present. Also good to see that the ISRA was very well presented among the speakers, including our Director Arjen Uytendaal.

A visit to our Turkey's members is being scheduled for the coming months.

## *ISRA Certification*

### Who will be First?

When the European Committee is creating an approved list of recycling facilities, prove of evidence is required that the facility working procedures are environmentally sound and safe. An ISRA certificate will certainly help! ISRA General Meeting has agreed that all members must have the ISRA certificate and procedures how to obtain have been circulated.

At the moment there is work in progress to ensure that still in 2012 the first yard is being certified.

## *ISRA members meeting IMO and EC*

During a visit of IMO / EU representatives to China and the CNSA, many Chinese members joined the workshop and got an explanation on how the new regulation could affect the working procedures but also commercial opportunities in future. In general ISRA yards are a responsible choice for ship owners who are taking corporate social responsibility serious and also want to follow the European law.

## *ISRA members promotion on the website*

For all members a dedicated page is available on ISRA's website, please have a look at <http://www.isranetwork.com/index.php/leyal-ship-recycling>

The page of Dimitri is giving a very good example of what is possible, also for you.

Off course, this facility is also available for associated members.

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