Work Programme 2020-2021 SSDC

for inland water transport

WHAT ?	HOW ?	SCHEDULE
Objectives	Expected results	
Digital enforcement controlling capacity.	 Social Partners will in line of their joint statement on a European legislative framework for Inland Navigation from 2016 continue the discussion on digital enforcement. The digital enforcement is a key building block next to the professional qualifications & future new manning requirements regulation of a European legislative framework for the industry. 	2020-2021
	The implementation of digital developments, such as enforcement is unavoidable. New processes should lead to an easier registration on the one hand and improved compliance with existing and still to be developed regulation on the other hand. Easier registration should reduce administrative burden.	
	 Social partners will be discussing how to further develop digitalization of: professional qualifications & certificates; registration of the individual crew members' working and resting times; personal data of the crew members; the future new manning regulation. 	
	Important subject of discussion is if and how digital control can be made accessible for controlling bodies. The central way and period of storage are under discussion.	
Harmonisation and modernisation of professional qualifications.	Social Partners will continue the follow up the harmonization and modernization of professional qualifications standards still under development within CESNI. And they want those qualifications for all functions to be added to the directive.	2020-2021
Harmonisation and modernisation of crewing requirements.	 Social Partners will: Participate in the feasibility study and development of a European manning tool and regulation, based or connected with a multi-modality platform/database Participate in the development of a unique and individual identification of crewmembers in Europe as employability and crewmembers' mobility will increase further. Participate in the development of a Fatigue Risk Management system as an extra safety feature on the way towards a more automated sector as an 	2020-2021

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	absolute safety level is essential for crewmembers, vessels, passengers, cargo, waterway and by extenso the wider populated areas bordering Europe's waterways. A "zero accident rate" is the sole a priori for all concerned.	
Uniform rules to coordinate appliance of social security legislations.	Social Partners will define a rule for determination of the applicable social security legislation on all European waterways. An exception for inland water transport based on regulation 883/2004 article 16.	2020-2021
	Based on the final report of the academic research they will discuss ways forward in ensuring a level playing field by closing possible loopholes in existing legislation & parallel systems creating social dumping practices.	
Development of measures that support fair employmer in river cruise.	Social Partners will improve working conditions on river cruise vessels, while ensuring a level playing field for the sector.	2020-2021
	They have agreed on the following steps: An inventory of the current business models and procedures in river cruise activities. An overview of the European and international rules applying to the sector and map the enforcement of these rules in EU member states and Switzerland. Develop adequate binding measures to improve working conditions.	
Development of policy guidelines in order to overcome the gender pay gap.	Social partners will research the pay structures and levels in both freight and passenger IWT transport. Social Partners will develop policy guidelines in order to bridge the gender pay gap.	2020-2021
Quality of the workplace whilst at work and at rest	Social Partners will actively participate in the CESNI discussions on the establishment of provisions on sound/noise and vibrations on board. Social Partners will discuss ways forward to ensure that future provisions apply to all sailing on European waterways.	2020-2021
Revision and review of relevant directives	The social partners will assess the directives and regulations referred to by the Commission in the fitness check and formulate recommendations where appropriate. The social partners will monitor the fitness check on inland waterway transport legislation by the Commission closely.	2020-2021
Evaluation of the Working Time Directive 2014/112	The evaluation of the Working Time Directive required by the Directive is accompanied by the social partners. A study on the national regulations applicable in the various	2020-2021
	Member States will be initiated by the social partners.	