Conference program "Inland Navigation for the 21st century"

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11:00-12:00 Registration, snack

12:00-12:30 Opening - Lubomír Fojtů, Director of the Waterways Directorate of the Czech Republic

- Opening speech Dan Ťok Minister of Transport of the Czech Republic
- Keynote speech Mathieu Grosch Coordinator of the OEM TEN-T Corridor
- Keynote speech Paul Goris President of the European Barge Union
- Keynote speech Martin Kolovratník Transport Committee Chairman of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

12:30-14:30 1st panel "Good navigation status on the TEN-T network – the way to a better assertion of the water-borne transport":

- Good navigation status on the OEM-Corridor
- Requirements of the ship owners and IWT users for the modern waterways
- 100 years of the development of the Czech waterways and the vision for the 21st century
- IWT prospects for the continental transports
- Water-born transport as the way to the world markets

Panel is moderated by:

 Martin Kolovratník - Transport Committee Chairman of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

Participants (in alphabetical order):

- Silvia Csöböková Ministry of Transport and Construction of the Slovak Republic
- Lubomír Fojtů Waterways Directorate of the Czech Republic
- Kai Kempmann Central Commission for the Navigation on Rhine
- Heiko Loroff Sächsische Binnenhäfen Oberelbe GmbH
- Tomáš Jan Podivínský Ambassador of the Czech Republic to the Federal Republic of Germany
- Bronislav Převrátil Chart Ferox, a.s.
- Pavel Santarius TRANS TRITIA Inland Waterway Action Plan
- Przemysław Żukowski Ministry of Maritime Economy and Inland Navigation of the Republic of Poland

14:30-15:00 Coffee break

15:00-17:00 2nd panel "Innovations in the IWT – meeting the logistics requirements"

- Support of the fleet modernisation
- Alternative fuel conceptions
- River Information Services
- Smart navigation and autonomous sailing
- Modern fleet for small waterways
- CityLogistics as innovative logistic concept

Panel is moderated by:

• Stanislav Berkovec - Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic

Participants (in alphabetical order):

- Johan Boonen Watertruck+
- Laurent Vanden Broeck Port of Brussels
- Zdeněk Dufek Brno University of Technology
- Michael Fastenbauer via donau Österreichische Wasserstraßen-Gesellschaft mbH
- Paul Goris European Barge Union
- Martin Sandler in-innovative navigation GmbH (LAESSI Project)
- Evžen Vydra Ministry of Transport of the Czech Republic
- 17:00-17:30 Discussion, conference conclusions & summary
- 18:00-22:00 Networking Dinner, exhibition of the history and future of inland waterways

During the conference there will be a possibility to visit a unique 60 years paddle-tow boat, still in operation to support freight vessels and convoys in low water periods on Elbe, and an exhibition about 1000 years of waterways in the Czech Republic and its future in the 21st century. Paddle-tow boat and exhibition visits: 11:00 - 12:00, 17:30 - 20:00

Thank you for your participation

