



CISE's operationalization launch through A Long Endurance and Real live Test

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The Project in Brief

The Project "CISE's operationalization launch through A Long Endurance and Real live Test" - CISE-ALERT intends to launch the Common information sharing environment (CISE) as an operational tool to increase the interoperability and cooperation of the EU actors involved in maritime surveillance missions by reinforcing the sharing of information.

The project will test past, ongoing, and short-term activities and developments on CISE with one ambition: to push-up CISE from the current transitional phase to its operational state.

CISE-ALERT Consortium consists of 11 partners from France, Italy, Bulgaria, Portugal, Greece, Slovenia and 2 associated partners from Finland and the Netherlands, representing different sectors: customs, navies, maritime safety, coastguards authorities, data providers, hydrographic offices.

The project was launched on the 1st of November 2022 and is co-funded by the European Union through the European Maritime, Fisheries and Aquaculture Fund (EMFAF).

CISE-ALERT Kick-off Meeting

On the **16th and 17th of November 2022** the **Kick-off meeting of the CISE-ALERT project** took place in Paris, France.

Thirteen project partners from France, Italy, Bulgaria, Portugal, Greece, Slovenia, Finland and the Netherlands gathered for the opening event of the project, to talk about the upcoming work and overall expectations from its implementation.

During the two-day Kick-off meeting, hosted by the **Project Coordinator – French Secretariat**

General for the sea (Secrétariat général de la mer) - SGMer, the CISE-ALERT consortium discussed in details the objectives, structure and organization of the work packages and also the partners' interest and expectations from the project: planned technical developments, data to be exchanged.

The partners mapped and coordinated the immediate tasks and long-term goals of the project, aiming at shifting CISE from the current transitional phase to an operational network.



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PROJECT EVENTS



Bilateral meetings

During the first six months of the project, 12 bilateral meetings were held between the project coordinator and the partners of the CISE-ALERT project. The purpose of the meetings was to provide a good understanding of the partners' level of involvement in CISE, their legacy systems and their needs and constraints. Subject of discussion during the individual visits were the use-cases which every partner would like to test, as well as the possible synergies that can be created among the members of the consortium and other stakeholder groups.

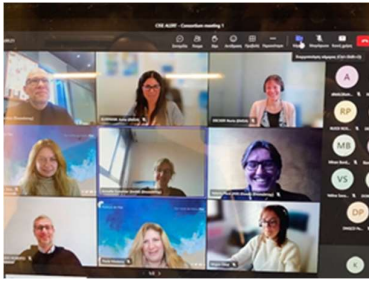


1st Steering Committee Meeting

The first CISE-ALERT Steering Committee Meeting was held on the 18th of January 2023 at the European Maritime Safety Agency's premises in Lisbon, Portugal and virtually. The objective of this meeting was to present the progress of the project.

Special participants in the meeting were **the European Maritime Safety Agency and the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission**. The project partners were introduced to the key elements of the CISE information security and to the support that EMSA can provide to the consortium during the project implementation.





1st Consortium Meeting

The First CISE-ALERT Consortium Meeting was held on the 15th of February 2023, virtually. This meeting was an opportunity to bring together all parties of the CISE-ALERT Consortium, who, together with the project coordinator – SGMer, discussed in details the progress of the project.

It was reported that the identification of the use cases and services, which will be developed and implemented within CISE-ALERT, has already started. Next, the project partners will analyze and identify the necessary and appropriate tools and indicators that will be used for measuring the efficiency of the services during the trial.

The first Consortium Meeting also served as a good opportunity for EMSA to share information with the consortium regarding the support that the Agency could provide to CISE-ALERT and also to introduce the Wiki CISE.

European Maritime Day

24-25 May 2023, Brest, France

SAVE THE DATE!

The European Maritime Day (EMD) is the annual two-day event during which Europe's maritime community meet to network, discuss and outline joint actions on maritime affairs and sustainable blue economy. This year it will take place **on the 24th and 25th of May in Brest, France.**

The event is being organised by the European Commission, the city of Brest, the Region of Brittany, the department of Finistère and the General Secretariat for the Sea.

One of the key topics on the conference is the **maritime security/surveillance**. The CISE-ALERT project took the opportunity and submitted an application for active participation in the event. As a result, the CISE-ALERT and EMSA were selected by the European Commission to jointly organize a workshop named: How the Common Information Sharing Environment can strengthen the EU's maritime security.



The CISE workshop will take place on the 24th of May 2023 and will focus on the role of CISE as the EU's maritime security awareness mechanism enhancing interoperability and cooperation among EU actors, carrying out maritime surveillance activities. Within this context, the discussions will be dedicated to the updated EU Maritime Security Strategy and how CISE will contribute to its implementation.

The CISE-ALERT project, which main objective is to shift CISE towards becoming an operational network through testing and validating the use of CISE by maritime authorities, will be also presented during the workshop. **The registration for attending the EMD conference is open until 19th of May 2023 on the event's website: www.maritime-day.ec.europa.eu.**

You are kindly invited to join us in Brest!

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