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MEETING DOCUMENT

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Working Party on Maritime Issues - EU Maritime Security Strategy (EUMSS)
Subject:	Priorities of the Danish Presidency - Presentation

Delegations will find attached the Presidency priorities for the second semester of 2025, for the Working Party on Maritime Issues - EU Maritime Security Strategy (EUMSS) as presented during the meeting of 16 July 2025.

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Working Party on Maritime Issues (EU Maritime Security Strategy – EUMSS)

Danish Presidency 2025

16 July 2025



Presidency motto

‘A strong Europe in a changing world’

Two main priorities

- **A secure Europe**
- **A competitive and green Europe**



Presidency priorities - maritime security

The Danish Presidency will work to [p. 13]:

- Maintain EU's strong focus on maritime security
- Keep focus on the Red Sea and coasts of Africa
- Work for increased synergies between EU maritime operations



Presidency priorities - maritime domain

Integrated Maritime Policy

- Work towards Council conclusions on the European Ocean Pact aimed at improving coherence between the EU's maritime policies and initiatives [p. 10]

Internal security

- Advance the implementation of the action plan on cable security and promote cooperation across the EU and NATO to protect critical underwater infrastructure [p. 25]

Maritime transport

- Support efforts to strengthen a sustainable, innovative, and competitive maritime transport sector and industry [p. 35]



Prioritised thematic discussions in EU-MSS

Based on the **Presidency priorities**, there will be three thematic discussions

1. Maritime security in the **Arctic region**
2. Illicit **drug trafficking** in the maritime domain
3. Managing threats from **shadow fleet** and protecting EU **critical maritime infrastructure**



Other topics in EU-MSS

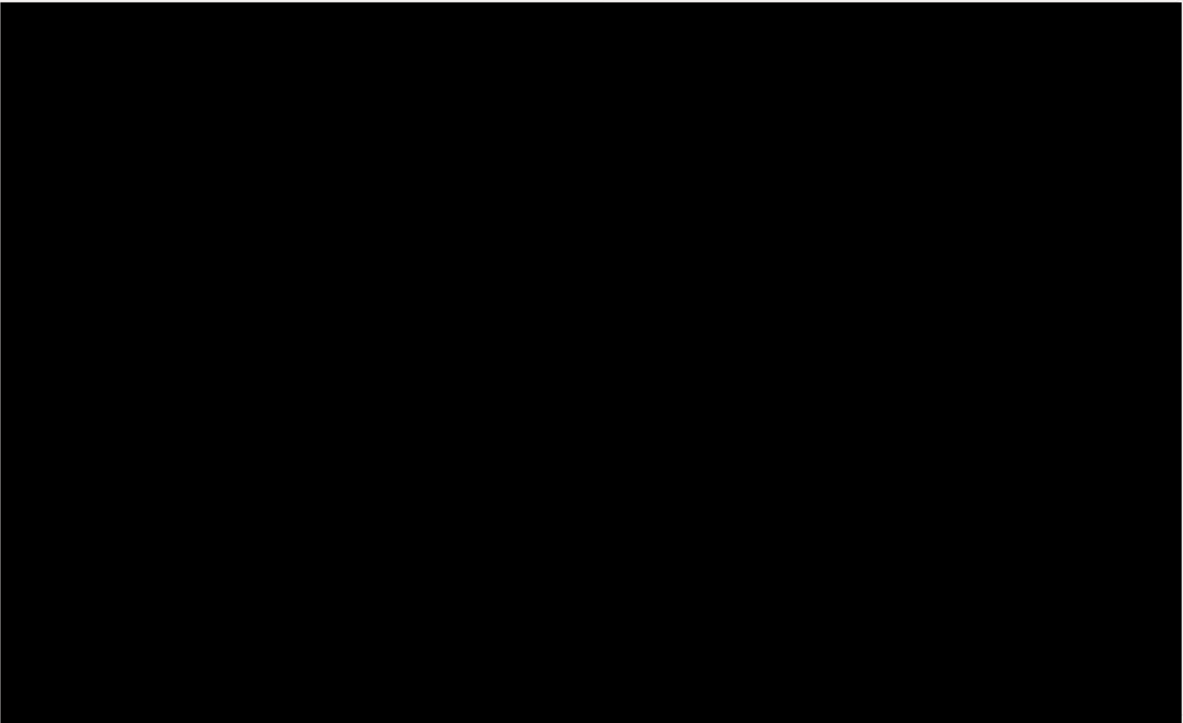
- **External collaboration** on Maritime Domain Awareness
- State of play of the Common Information Sharing Environment (**CISE**)
- Council conclusions on the European **Ocean Pact**
- Preparation of **EU-MSS implementation report**
- **Women, peace** and **security** in maritime security
- EU's strategic approach to the **Black Sea** region
- Common **capacity building** and **capability development**
- Unexploded ordnance (**UXO**)



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EU-MSS meeting calendar

Date	Tentative agenda
16 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Maritime security in the Arctic- EU Ocean Pact- EU strategic approach to the Black Sea region
24 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Illicit drug trafficking- UXO- External partnerships on MDA- Annual MARSEC exercise- EU Ocean Pact council conclusions
26 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Shadow fleet, critical maritime infrastructure- Common Information Sharing Environment- EUMSS implementation report- Women, peace and security



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