

Newsletter



A WORD FROM THE CHAIRMAN



I would like to start first this address by wishing you and your families a prosperous and healthy new year and welcome you to MOIG Newsletter Issue 068; which will provide you; an overview on MOIG activities of the previous an current year.

I would like also to express my sincere thanks to members in appointing me as a new MOIG chairman during the last Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting held on 15 November 2024 in Istanbul-Turkey.

I also wish to extend my congratulations to the representatives of the members NOC, ETAP, TANKMED and TPS, who have shown real interest and commitment to be part of the new Management Committee.

We are fully aware of the responsibility that was placed on us and the challenges we are facing in the steering of the group but we are already delighted to fulfill them with great enthusiasm and total dedication.

A special gratitude and appreciation should be also go to the former Management Committee and particularly the previous chairman, Mahmoud KAMOUR, whose personnel efforts were crucial to strengthen MOIG and ensure to achieve its mission in both efficient and sustainable manner.

2024 year was an eventful year for MOIG in terms of activities. We have been an active participant to webinars organized by OSRL and Cedre, technical partners. Almost 40 participants from members and ministries benefited from training course on IMO Level 3-Oil Spill Response; organized from 22 to 25 April 2024 in South Hammamet-Tunisia; in cooperation with the Centre for documentation, research and experimentation on accidental water pollution (Cedre). In addition, we organized a regional workshop titled Oil Spill Preparedness and Response: Commitment and Synergy; held from 12 to 14 November 2024 in Istanbul-Turkey; in cooperation with MEKE Marine and the Turkish National Marine Safety Center (UDEB). This workshop gathered more than 60 delegates from ministries, Oil&Gas industry, manufacturers, responders, agencies, international organisations and universities and was a good opportunity to discuss and debate many issues of common interest on oil spill preparedness and response. I would like also to express my sincere thanks to Cedre, MEKE Marine and UDEB for their kind cooperation and the technical and logistical support provided; contributing to the success of these events.

For 2025, we will start with renewed drive ready to make all our efforts to reach our objectives and those of our members to further enhance oil spill preparedness and response in the region. In this regards, I would like to underline tow very important appointments taking place this year. The first one being the training course IMO Level 2-Response to Oil Marine Pollution and the Oil Spill Response Exercise scheduled to be held from 19 to 22 May 2025; in Bizerte-Tunisia; in cooperation with Cedre and the Tunisian Society of Refining Industries (STIR). The second one will be the training course on Incident Management System 300 that will be held from 04 to 06 November 2025; in Hammamet-Tunisia; in cooperation with the Adriatic Training in Research Center for Response to Accidental Marine Pollution (ATRAC). This training course constitutes a continuation of the previous activities that we have initiated over the past few years.

I would like to conclude my word by announcing that MOIG will celebrate this year its thirty-third anniversary of service to Mediterranean Oil and Gas Sector. MOIG was initiated in 1992, we have accomplished much over that span and we are more excited about the next 33 years and what the future may hold. I would like to take this opportunity to extend my thanks all our members and technical partners for their continuous support, trust and confidence in MOIG. We could not have done it without you!

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