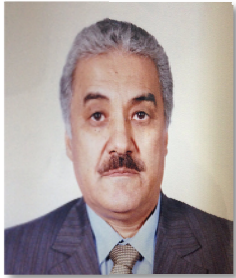


Newsletter



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 056; which will provide you; an overview on MOIG activities of the previous and current year.



Indeed, 2022 was an eventful year for MOIG in terms of activities. More than 40 participants from members, governments and agencies benefited from training course on Management of volunteers in pollution response along the coast and in the shoreline organized in cooperation with the centre for documentation, research and experimentation on accidental water pollution (Cedre). In addition, MOIG organized in cooperation with VIKOMA a webinar on points to consider in the selection of oil spill booms. MOIG also conducted in October 2022 a regional workshop on “Enhancing Oil Spill Preparedness and Response in the Adriatic and Mediterranean Regions”, held in Opatija-Croatia; in cooperation with ATRAC and JANAF.

2022 was also marked by MOIG active participation in several webinars organized by our technical partners on various topics such as: Oiled wildlife response, in-situ controlled burning, improving the integrated response to pollution accident at sea and chemical risk in port (IRA-MAR), tiered preparedness and response: surveillance, modeling and visualization, notification, and decision making exercise – Using an oil spill contingency plan to effectively carry out the initially response actions required to deal with an oil spill incident.

MOIG also participated to international events such as: The European Oil Spill Conference and Exhibition - Interspill 2022, which took place at the RAI Centre, in Amsterdam-Netherlands and the First Coordination Meeting on the Mediterranean Strategy for the Prevention of, Preparedness, and Response to Marine Pollution from Ships (2022-2031) held at REMPEC premises in Floriana-Malta.

For 2023, we will begin with renewed drive, ready to make all our efforts to further enhance preparedness and response of our members through the organization of a training course, an oil spill response exercise and a regional workshop. In this regards, I would like to underline three very important appointments taking place this year. The first one being Kerkennah Tier 1 oil spill response exercise N°2 that will be held on 14.March 2023; in Kerkennah Island -Tunisia; in cooperation with Thyna Petroleum Services (TPS). The second one being a training course on Incident Management System (IMS 300) to be conducted in May 2023 in South Hammamet-Tunisia in cooperation with Oil Spill Response Limited (OSRL). The third being a Regional Workshop to be held in November 2023; in Athens-Greece; in cooperation with Motor Oil Hellas and New Naval. The precise dates, venues and agendas of the training course IMS 300 and the Regional Workshop of Greece will be provided in due time.

I would like to conclude my word by announcing that MOIG will celebrate this year its thirty-one year anniversary of service to Mediterranean oil and gas sector.

Since our beginnings in 1992, we worked hard to ensure that our commitments are being honored to our members. This anniversary will be a special occasion for us to look back with pride and appreciation. I wish to take this opportunity to thank all our members and technical partners for their continuous support, trust and confidence in MOIG throughout the years. We could not have done it without you! Stay safe and healthy. I will be very happy to see you again in the forthcoming MOIG events.



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