

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

We are all aware that 2021 was a difficult year for the International organizations; due to COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions imposed on organizing events and movement of people. Despite this situation, MOIG

recognized and addressed the challenges posed by the pandemic and completed several key activities.



Indeed, 2021 was a pivotal year for MOIG in terms of training activities. Approximately 100 participants from members, governments and agencies benefited from training sessions on RETOS, Oil Spill Waste Management, Response to Marine Oil Spills-IMO OPRC Level 2 and Tiered Preparedness for Wildlife Response in the Mediterranean region supported by our technical partners. I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to ANPE, Cedre, REMPEC, ATRAC and OSRL for providing technical assistance to MOIG. In addition, the launch of our new website demonstrates our commitment on innovation and improvements to stay connected with our members, whether to give them access online to the Oil Spill Response Equipments Database; recently developed and integrated in the website; which allows them to share and view in real time their resources.

2021 was also marked by MOIG active participation in several webinars organized by our members and technical partners on various topics such as: Marine booms, skimmers, absorbents, liquid storage solutions for spill response, dispersant effectiveness monitoring-Surface and subsea, no such thing as a bad exercise, 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of REMPEC focal points, West MOPoCo, properties of low sulphur fuel oils, MV Wakashio Incident-Parts 3-4, how to activate OSRL and preparing for extreme cold weather response; which have been published in details in our newsletters.

For 2022, we will begin with renewed drive, ready to make all our efforts to further enhance preparedness of our members through the organization of a training course, regional workshop and oil spill drill. In this regards, I would like to underline three very important appointments taking place this year. The first one being the webinar on “Points to consider in the selection of oil spill booms” to be held on 09 February 2022; in cooperation with VIKOMA. The second one being the training course on “The role of volunteers in pollution response along the coast and on the shoreline” that will take place on 10-11 May 2022; in Hammamet-Tunisia; in cooperation with Cedre. The third one is the regional workshop on “Enhancing Oil Spill Preparedness and Response in the Adriatic and Mediterranean Regions”, to be held from 25 to 27 October 2022, in Opatija-Croatia in cooperation with ATRAC and JANAF.

I want to conclude my word by announcing that MOIG will celebrate this year its thirtieth anniversary of service to Mediterranean oil and gas sector. During these three decades, we have seen many changes occur in our industry, but we stayed true to our goal of building solid and long-term relationships with our members and technical partners. Since our beginnings in 1992, we committed to ensure that the value delivered to members is maximized. Day after day, we strive to exceed members expectations in order to fulfil the promises we have made.



I wish also 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.

Mahmoud Abdussalm Kamour - MOIG Chairman

## WEBINAR ON POINTS TO CONSIDER IN THE SELECTION OF OIL SPILL BOOMS



The Mediterranean Oil Industry Group (MOIG) and VIKOMA are very pleased to invite members and technical partners to the webinar on Points to consider in the selection of oil spill booms that will take place on Wednesday; 09 February 2022 at 10:00 am (CET).

The webinar will last for approximately one hour and will be presented by Paul Rayner, Sales Manager at VIKOMA and Houcine Mejri, MOIG Director.

The main objectives of the webinar will be to share knowledge on what to consider in the selection of oil spill booms and to promote an interactive Q&A sessions between participants.

The webinar working language will be English. For registration, please complete the registration form in the link below: [Webinar Registration Form](#). We are looking forward to your active participation to this important event.

## MEETINGS MOIG-NOC-ANPE

22-24 December 2021, A delegation from the National Oil Corporation Libya (NOC); corporate member: composed of MM. Khaled Bukhatwa, HSE Manager, Salem Eljawashi, HSE Advisor and Mohamed Maamer Adbeib; Head of Environment Division; were the MOIG guests.



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Two meetings were held between the MOIG Director and NOC delegation; in which were presented the MOIG forthcoming activities planned for 2022 and the Memorandum of Understanding in Respect of Mutual Assistance in the Control of Marine Pollution Events Tier 2.

The MOIG Director also delivered a demonstration of the oil spill response equipment database recently displayed on MOIG website under the Member Area. On the other hand, MOIG facilitated a meeting to NOC delegation with M. Samir Khedhira; General Controller Expert and REMPEC Focal Point; from the National Agency of Environment Protection (ANPE); who delivered a presentation of the Tunisian National Oil Spill Contingency Plan. He also presented the ARPEL Oil Spill Response Planning and Readiness Assessment Manual and its application. In addition, he performed a demonstration; on how to use the Readiness Evaluation Tool for Oil Spills (RETOS); according to Industry-Facilities Level A.



We were very delighted with the outcome of these meetings; MOIG, NOC and ANPE have undertaken fruitful discussions and agreed to further enhance cooperation and information exchange as well as to work together towards common objectives related to oil spill prevention, preparedness and response in the Mediterranean region.