

Motorways of the Sea: The conditions for success

An evidence based discussion on the example of Atlantis

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13.00-14.00 Welcome Snack

This conference aims to discuss how to create the condition for success to the Motorways of the Sea. It is organised with the support of the Atlantis EU funded project. Atlantis aims to set up a new Motorway of the Sea lines, in the Atlantic Area, between the ports of Brest, Leixoes and Liverpool. The study phase, co-funded by the Connecting Europe Facility program, ends in April. Besides the infrastructure work studies, the project analysed innovative business and funding strategies to cover the start up risks.

On the basis of this discussions, the members of the Intergroup will discuss the measures they foresee to encourage the development of the MoS.

The conference will start at 14.00 after the welcome snack.

Welcome Addresses

Mr. **Alain CADEC**, MEP, Vice-Chair of the Intergroup

Session 1 – Setting the Scene

Moderator: Mrs **Gesine MEISSNER**, MEP, Chair of the Intergroup

Lessons learned from launching a MOS line in the Atlantic Area (Liverpool, Leixoes and Brest):

Mr. **Meriadec LE MOUILLOUR**, Director General of the Chamber of Commerce Métropolitaine Bretagne Ouest

Mr. **Luis MARINHO DIAS**, Port of Leixoes – LSW - *Logistic Single Window – an innovative way to do business*

Mr. **Brian SIMPSON**, Motorways of the Sea – *The Detailed Implementation Plan, highlight on the Atlantic specificities*

Mr. **Pierre MENET**, Caisse des Dépôts - *improved and innovative tools to finance MOS*

Mrs. **Eirini TSAKONA**, ECSA – European Community Shipowners' Associations - *Perspectives and experiences of European shipping companies*

Question & Answer with the participants

INTERGROUP SEAS, RIVERS, ISLANDS AND COASTAL AREAS



Session 2 - Round table: The "MOS way": which measures, from the short to longer term, to transfer the road traffic to the sea?

Moderator: Mr. **Patrick ANVROIN**, Director for Accessibility, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions

Discussion with:

Mrs. **Deirdre CLUNE**, MEP, Member of the Intergroup

Mrs. **Claudia MONTEIRO DE AGUIAR**, MEP, Member of the Intergroup

Mr. **Pierre KARLESKIND**, Vice-President for Maritime Affairs and Ports, Brittany Region

Mr. **Brian SIMPSON**, Motorway of the Seas

Question & Answer with the participants

Conclusive remarks

Mrs. **Gesine MEISSNER**

Participants are kindly requested to register as soon as possible [here](#) in order to guaranty and organize the access to the EP

*The day of the conference, Participants are kindly requested to present themselves at **12.30** onwards, in order to avoid delays – Registration to the entrance of the European Parliament at **the Info Point**.*