

**Round table of the CCNR
"Towards low-sulphur fuel
for inland waterways transport in Europe"
Strasbourg, Palais du Rhin
3 May 2007**

Updated program

Wednesday, 2 May 2007

19:00 21:00 Reception for the participants of the Round Table, hosted by Ambassador Paul Seger, President of the CCNR

Thursday, 3 May 2007

Round table, moderated by Ivo ten Broeke, Commissioner for Rhine Navigation of the Netherlands

9:00 Registration

9:30 Welcome
Ambassador Paul Seger, President of the CCNR

Introduction
Ivo ten Broeke, Commissioner for Rhine Navigation of the Netherlands

10:00 Proposal of the European Commission for the amendment of EC fuel directives regarding fuel for inland navigation
Ian Hodgson, Unit clean air and transport; GD Environment; European Commission

10:20 Requirements for the introduction of low-sulphur fuel that is compatible with the future development of European inland navigation
Rinus de Korte, President of the European Barge Union (EBU)

10:40 Questions and discussion of the preceding presentations

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Quality requirements for low-sulphur fuel; compatibility of engines, both new and currently in use, with low-sulphur fuel
Peter Scherm, Secretary General of Euromot

11:50 Costs, availability and quality aspects of low-sulphur fuel for inland navigation
Martin Suenson, Europa

12:10 Ultra low sulphur diesel, lubricity and Engine damages
P.G. van der Zanden, CBRB

12:20 Fuel in the cost structure of inland navigation
Jean-Paul Weber, Secretariat of the CCNR

12:30 Questions and discussion of the preceding presentations

12:40 Lunch break

14:00 Logistical aspects and costs for the shift to low sulphur-fuel
Erik de Vries, Union of European Petroleum Independents (UPEI)
Jürgen Johann, European Barge Union (EBU)

14:30 Statements of other industry and trade associations, of the delegations of the CCNR, of the observer countries and the intergovernmental organisations

15:00 Discussion

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 Summary: Positions of the stakeholders similarities and differences, open and resolved questions, need for further studies; proposal for a road map
Ivo ten Broeke, Commissioner for Rhine Navigation of the Netherlands
Gernot Pauli, Chief Engineer of the CCNR

16:15 Concluding remarks
Jean-Marie Woehrling, Secretary General of the CCNR

Meeting of journalists with the speakers and the Secretary General of the CCNR

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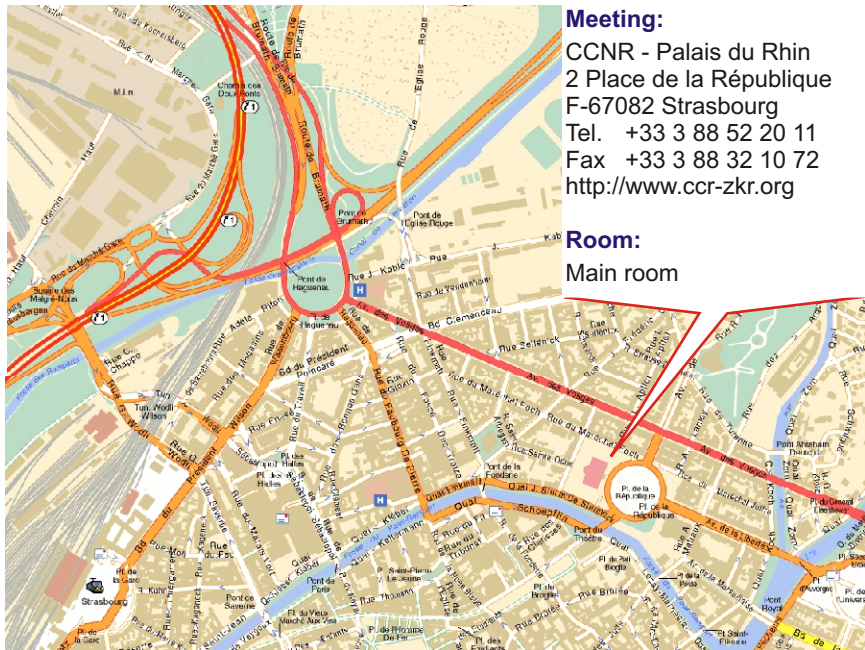
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- Yes, Number of participants: ...
- No



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The purpose of the Round Table is to determine the conditions for introducing low-sulphur fuel that are in alignment with the further development of inland waterway transport in Europe. The positions of the stakeholders will be clarified and the proposal of the European Commission (COM(2007) 18 final) will be discussed.

Leading representatives and experts of the relevant industry associations as well as the CCNR and the European Commission will present and discuss **technical aspects**, such as the compatibility of engines, both new and currently in use, with low-sulphur fuel, the **operational and logistical aspects** of shifting from one type of fuel to another, including making low-sulphur fuel available throughout Europe, and the **economic aspects**, such as costs incurred by the inland waterways transport industry.

The Round Table is intended for professionals of: inland waterway transport, engine manufacturers, the oil industry, the ship-building industry, the ports, bunker services, classification societies, research institutions, international organisations and river commissions, as well as the competent national authorities in the CCNR's Member States and Observer States.

The contributions of the participants will be **simultaneously interpreted** from Dutch, English, French and German into English and German.

The participation is free; however, **registration** for the round table and a separate registration for the reception the evening before is necessary as the number of participants is limited. A registration form is attached.

Information about the Round Table, the venue and accommodation will be available on the CCNR's internet site at www.ccr-zkr.org.

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