Greening the European research vessel fleet

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1. Environmental Management

- LCA (Ship Equipment Operations)
- RVEMPlan
- RVEMSystem (compatible with ISO14001)

2. Design guidelines for regional research vessels

- Description of current performance
- Available techniques
- Guidelines



Current Performance

Operators generally follow international conventions

Older MARPOL annexes (I, IV & V) efforts to green operations and vessels

Disposal of oil, sewage and garbage accustomed to practice costs involved have become standard or costs have evolved to acceptable levels

Recent conventions simple compliance

In time rules become simpler, older ships are being decommissioned. Community adapts, maybe slowly, but surely to an environmentally more friendly activity

Greening occurs equally for smaller and larger vessels (<>400GRT)

'Margin for growth'

All operators consider the environment important enough to consolidate an environmental policy into a management systems that are even often certified, the overall tendency seems to adopt what is legally asked for

Some operators indicate absence of compliance with international regulations



Green/Clean Ship

Fashionable term

The green ship does not exist

Continuous development of technologies/legal demands narrows the definition

Greener/Cleaner ship

Environmental awareness:

crew & shore staff training environmental management system certification

Clear definition of the greener ship concept & auditing



Green Ship Technology Book (<u>European Marine Equipment Council 2010</u>) http://www.emec.eu/green/

Reduction of air emissions
Ship waste disposal
Bilge water treatment
Black water treatment
Grey water treatment
Ballast water treatment
Anti-fouling systems

Integration of existing technologies: 15-20% improvement

Further development of technologies : 30% more eco-friendly ships



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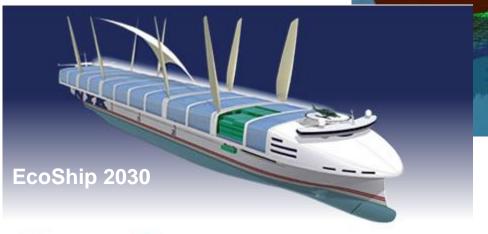


Momentum RoRo

Germanischer Lloyd



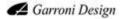
0-emmissions container feeder











Best-Plus Aframax









MARPOL I Oil

Dispose off at shore

High speed centrifuges

Biodegradable fuels & oils

Green ship initiative NOAA-GLERL since 2006

Water lubed stern tube

MARPOL IV Sewage (no discharge anticipated)

Dispose off at shore

Sewage treatment system

Membrane bioreactors

Vacuum toilets

MARPOL V Garbage (recent MEPC62 results)

Dispose off at shore

Waste compressors

Incinerators (heat recovery)



MARPOL VI Air Pollution

Slow steaming

Low sulphur fuels

Cold Ironing

Improved hull, propeller & rudder design

Engine performance monitoring

Waste heat recovery

LNG as fuel

Exhaust cleaning – NOx, Soot & SOx

Hybrid power generation fuel cells, solar, wind

Air Iubrication

Anti-Fouling Systems

Biocide free systems (Natural biocides under development)

Surface treated coatings

Non-stick coatings

Photoactive paints

Active anti-biofouling

(Slime producing coatings)



Balast Water Convention

Balast water treatment systems
Balast water free hull design

Harmfull substances

Assured through EMP/EMS

Underwater Radiated Noise

All electric propulsion; cleaner exhausts & lower fuel consumption Silent Class notations (DNV, BV)

Conduct of Marine Science

Adopted by IRSO & ERVO Assured through EMP&EMS

Administrative tools

Green Class notations (DNV, GL), Green Passport (ABS) ISM ISO9001, ISO 14001 Blaue Engel (ship & operations)



Energy Efficiency Design Index - EEDI

Ship Energy Efficiency Mgmt Plan - SEEMP

Ship Energy Efficieny Operational Index - EEOI





























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11,000 nm RANGE @ 13 KTS.
30 SCIENTISTS- 30 DAYS
TOP SPEED UNDER POWER 23 KTS.
TOP SPEED UNDER SAIL 25 KTS.

ENDURANCE AT 10 KTS. 65 DAYS+

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LOA: 100m, LPP: 84.8m, Beam: 20.0m, Draught: 7.6m