

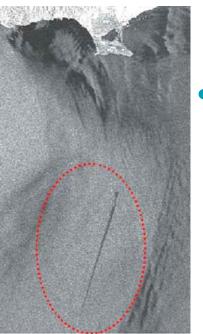


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EMSA pollution response today





 A network of 18 stand-by oil spill response vessels with an average recovered oil storage capacity of 3,400 m³ which can be mobilised simultaneously and ready to sail within 24 hrs

European Commission

 An average of 2000 satellite images per year monitoring some 1,000 million km² of seas and oceans through the so-called "CleanSeaNet" service and resulting in around 200 illegal discharges per year confirmed (Dir 2005/35 on ship-source pollution and penalties for infringements)





A network of response vessels covering all critical areas





New tasks for EMSA

- Deepwater Horizon in April 2010 – largest ever well blowout and off-shore spill
- Raised awareness of the risks of off-shore drilling
 - EU legislator decided in 2013 to extend EMSA's pollution response capacity (revised founding Regulation) to cover spills from oil and gas installations

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Scope of EMSA anti-pollution measures

- Operational assistance (vessels and satellite images): additional means to MS and <u>on request</u> by affected MS
- Information work: collection, analysis and dissemination of information and best practice through projects
- Cooperation and coordination work: with pollution response experts from MS, EFTA, candidate countries, Regional Agreements and IMO



Action Plan for response to marine pollution from oil and gas installations and Action Plan for Oil pollution Preparedness and Response

 <u>http://www.emsa.europa.eu/oil-recovery-</u> vessels/opr-documents/action-plans.html





