

Dear capt. Hubert Ardillon
CESMA General Secretary

Please be advised that ZHUPK held its AGA in Split on March 8, 2024. During this assembly, the one-year presidency of ZHUPK was assumed by the Captain's Association from Split, and Captain Sanjin Dumanić from the Captain's Association Split was elected as president.

The agenda of the AGA also addressed the situation concerning the Captain's Association "Kraljica Mora" from Rijeka, which has decided to terminate its membership in ZHUPK. It was unanimously decided that the Association "Kraljica Mora" from Rijeka would be dissociated from ZHUPK's membership as of March 8, 2024.

Regarding the separate membership of the Rijeka association in CASMA, the same position was taken at the AGA as at the ZHUPK Presidency meeting held in Zadar on January 12, 2024. ZHUPK is an association that gathers the majority of sea captains in the Republic of Croatia and represents the Union of Croatian Ship Master Associations. However, the "Kraljica mora" - Rijeka Association is no longer a member of ZHUPK, and there is no legal or practical justification for their special (independent) status in CESMA.

Please consider, "Kraljica mora" Rijeka Association is only one out of 7 associations and in number not significant, only 77 out of 485 members.

We believe that the elected representative of ZHUPK can effectively represent and advocate for the sea captains of the Republic of Croatia. It is not appropriate, nor do we desire, for the Association that is in the minority, 'Kraljicamora' – Rijeka, and which voluntarily left ZHUPK, to have a voice in decisions regarding the improvement and progress of CESMA's work.

Best regards,

President of the ZHUPK
Capt. Sanjin Dumanić

GSecretary ZHUPK
Capt. Slobodan Vrdoljak