Day of the Seafarer 2025.

On 25 June, the global maritime community come together to celebrate the Day of the Seafarer.

CESMA representative capt. Damir Lakos from ZHUPK, Croatia had meeting with Mr. Srdan Subotic head of office MEP Tonino Picula. MEP Tonino Picula is vicechair of intergroup on Seas, Rivers, Islands and Coastal Areas (SEARICA).



CESMA resolutions were presented and discussed during the meeting. Main topic was Crew member visas Resolution No.2: "The Assembly, considering the difficulties in providing crew visas to non-EU Seafarers joining and leaving their vessels when in the EU, and in order to observe and recognise the Maritime Labour Convention (2006) (MLC), urges EU State Authorities to recognise seafarers' entitlements for repatriation under seafarers' employment agreements. Consideration should be given to the creation of a visa in the similar manner to that of the combination C1/D visa being issued by the US State Department, Crewmember Visa".

The follow-up meeting will be arranged for September/October 2025.