

DOCKSTHEFUTURE



NETWORK OF EXCELLENCE

Towards the Port of Tomorrow

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- The Network: goals and core topics
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The DocksTheFuture Network of Excellence is a tool **supporting ports to develop innovative projects to achieve their sustainable targets, based on the opportunities deriving from funding programmes** such as the ones promoted by the Green Deal.

- ❑ It shall promote ideas for the Port of the Future, inspired by other ongoing initiatives and proposals and have a **leading and proactive role in the process of overcoming the industry challenges** of today and tomorrow, also in order to implement cofunded projects and support policy changes;
- ❑ It shall speed up the distribution of practical innovative ideas, hasten the spread of best practices, promoting **new technologies to innovate the business** and the whole port industry;
- ❑ It **shall enrich the dialogue with and among other organisations** such as the European Technology Platforms, international associations and maritime clusters – without any kind of competition character.

The setup of the Network is based on **ports** participation while **other maritime and logistics actors** will be invited to join and contribute to the activities based on their willingness to cooperate.



The core topics the Network focus on essential parts of the **EU Green Deal** founding elements clearly relates to port industry:

- Supplying clean, affordable and secure energy to any port related transport means
- Mobilising the community and the industry for a clean and circular economy
- Building and renovating port infrastructures in an energy and resource efficient way
- Supporting smart digital seamless solutions for the entire port community
- Accelerating the shift to sustainable & smart mobility to achieve a 90% reduction in transport emissions by 2050

City-Port relation

Multimodal transport

Innovative financing tools

Alternative fuels

Cyber security

Circular economy

Innovation & digitalisation

Energy efficiency



Memberships (ongoing update)



In July 2020, DockstheFuture launched the Network of Excellence to the Maritime e Port Community: since then we have received continuous requests for memberships and we have start to work together to pursue common goals taking advantage of new business opportunities. Among the activities already launched:

- Recruitment of additional NOE friends representing the ***Network of Excellence Extended Community***
- Monthly ***"Think Factory"*** specific insights which the aim to inform on opportunities linked to EU funding, reflecting on them and discussing on possible new projects and initiatives
- Exclusive event dedicated to NoE within ***Connecting Eu Insights***, a week-long event composed by virtual meetings designed to gain an accurate and deep understanding of pivotal topics for the development of the maritime industry and its green transition

In addition, in these months we are working on the 2021 plan activities concerning:

- Launch of new services
- Participation and contribution to biyearly DockstheFuture events 2021
- Liaison with international experts and partners

