



# Copenhagen Agreement

## Overview of the 2019 Activities


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## Operational 2019

- No bigger spills or accidents,
- No operational assistance provided within the agreement
- Collision between tanker and norwegian fregat. Interesting when the government hold both the responsibility for the damage and for damagecontrol.
- Trawler sunked at Svalbard. Difficult conditions when operating i artic, both weather and inferstructure.
- Grounding of Makassar Highway on the eastcoast of Sweeden with subsequent oilspill.
- Two operational exercises 2019
  - CA- East in Sweeden in March
  - CA-West Lysekil, Sweeden 24-25 September
  - Alarm exercises twice a year within the Agreement

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## CA EAST 2019

General:  
Exercise held September 4. – 6. 2019 close to Härnösand.

Participating ships:  
KBV 201 (SW)  
KBV 308 (SW)  
KBV 408 (SW)  
KBV 413 (SW)  
LUNGÖ and EJDERN (target vessel)  
TURSAS (FI)  
Observers from Swedish Coast Guard.

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## CA East 2019

- Cooperation and procedure
- Bay of Bothnia in Sweden
- Ships from Sweden and Finland
- Together with oilpollution exercise, there were incidents where hullinspektion, Search and Rescue and decompression sickness were exercised.

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## CA EAST 2019

### Findings and feed back from participants:

- The cooperation language is English. There were Swedish speaking personnel on Finnish vessels which helped a lot.
- Good to get experiences regarding equipment and practice within neighbouring countries vessels
- Participation of LUNGÖ and EJDERN highly appreciated due to their willingness to cooperate and professional attitude to the task
- There were no staff ashore (JRCC or Coast Guard) which the OSC were missing. It could be a minor staff, to cooperate with the OSC.

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## CA WEST 2019

### General:

Exercise held September 23. – 25. 2019 close to Lysekil

### Participating ships:

KBV 001 (SW)  
 KBV 032 (SW)  
 KBV 303 (SW)  
 KBV 502 (SW)  
 SCANDIA (target vessel)  
 Kv BERGEN (NO)  
 Kv RYVINGEN (NO)  
 GUNNAR THORSON (DK)

Observers from Royal Danish Navy, Maritime Assistance Service, Swedish Coast Guard and admin.

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## CA WEST 2019

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- chain of events with main focus on cooperation and practical training and handling of equipment
- actual boarding of a larger vessel (SCANDIA) and work in mixed strike teams
- Transfer and lightering of recovered oil between response vessels from different countries was also trained
- traditional seamen tournament took place with Norway as winner

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## CA WEST 2019

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### **Positive findings and feed back from participants:**

- Good discipline regarding communication. Appointed radio channels used and common exercise language (English) in order to avoid misunderstanding.
- The exercise was executed to a high standard.
- Good to exchange technical experiences regarding equipment and practice to connect hoses and other equipment onboard neighbouring countries vessels
- Participation of SCANDIA highly appreciated due to their willingness to cooperate and professional attitude to the task
- Social activities is appreciated and a good way to get to know each other even better.

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## CA WEST 2019

### What can be improved:

- Lightering between ships from different countries is not possible, due to incompatible connections.
- Time of the year, September, is quite risky due to possible bad weather conditions.
- Try to engage participating vessels and keep up pace of the exercise

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## 2019

- Update of the Manual "Plan for co-operation" goes on
- Updating of new homepage
- New part on crisis communication in the manual
- ALSO KEEPING UP WITH:
  - updates in parties organization, preparedness and competent authorities for response actions
  - information and share of means and methods of response, results of monitoring activities
  - information on technological research and development.

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## Priorities 2019

- Exercise planning and evaluation under review and collection of lessons identified from exercises and real incidents to be used in planning process
- CA West and East to be conducted in Sweden in September, week 38 and 39, places and dates to be decided
- Ad hoc group Claims Management (including other legal aspects)
  - Deep dive in to CA geographical specific issues. Reporting and recommendations to the annual Plenary meeting of the agreement for further decisions/implementation
- SSN / CESIS - following ongoing work for notification/alert and request for assistance
- New CA website, Iceland to lead the update work
- 50 year anniversary in 2021 (DK)

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## Thank you!

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Chair 2019-2020: Finland

secretary -2021: Denmark



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