Blue Belt and Reporting Formalities Directive
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Context

- 2009 SafeSeaNet fully operational (Directive 2002/59/EC)

- 2010 Directive 2010/65/EU establishing National Single Windows for ships

- 2011 Establishment of the eMS group

- 2013 Commission Communication on Blue Belt

- 2015 Entry into force of the National Single Windows

Directive 2010/65/EU

Reporting formalities shall be transmitted electronically

Information is submitted on a pre-arrival and pre-departure basis

National Single Windows (NSW) shall be developed to capture information required by different authorities (Maritime, Ports, Customs, Security, Waste, Health, Border Control)

Shipping industry shall submit individual data elements only once

NSW shall be interoperable with other national systems in order to share relevant information

Information is available in the SafeSeaNet system for exchange with other Member States

List of reporting formalities

A. resulting from EU legal acts

- Notification for ships arriving in and departing from EU ports - Article 4 of 2002/59/EC
- Border checks on persons - Article 7 of Reg. No 562/2006
- Notification of dangerous goods carried on board - Article 13 of 2002/59/EC
- Notification of waste and residues - Article 6 of 2000/59/EC
- Notification of security information - Article 6 of Reg. 725/2004 (Appendix – SOLAS security form used until adopt. of harmonised for on international level)
- Entry summary declaration - Article 36a Reg. No 2913/92

B. FAL forms resulting from international legal instruments

- FAL form 1: General Declaration
- FAL form 2: Cargo Declaration
- FAL form 3: Ship's Stores Declaration
- FAL form 4: Crew's Effects Declaration
- FAL form 5: Crew List
- FAL form 6: Passenger List
- FAL form 7: Dangerous Goods
- Maritime Declaration of Health

C. National legal requirement can be also added

eMS expert group

The members of this group, maximum two per MS coordinate the implementation work within the MSs.

Additionally, the group consists of observers from the main stakeholder associations.

1st meeting: 1st April 2011

13th meeting: 28th October 2014

eMS and Sub-group meetings

eMS Group (13 meetings)

- Single Window sub-group (1 meeting)

- General Maritime sub-group (3 meetings)

- MARSEC sub-group (3 meetings)

- Waste sub-group (3 meetings)

- Health sub-group (2 meetings)

- Border sub-group (2 meetings)

- Customs sub-group (4 meetings)

- Data Mapping and Functionalities sub-group (4 meetings)

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Functional Specifications: phase 1				
Deliverable	**Coordinated by**	**Associated**	**Initial Deadline**	**Updated Deadline**
The Single Window and data flow definition	MOVE	SW sub-group	June 2012	Completed
Business rules – General maritime	EMSA	GM sub-group	June 2012	Completed
Business rules – Security	EMSA	MARSEC	November 2011	Completed
Business rules – Waste	EMSA	Waste sub-group	March 2012	Completed
Business rules – Customs eManifest	MOVE/TAXUD EMSA	Customs sub-Group eMS/ECG	June 2012 December 2013	Completed *February 2015*
Business rules – Border Control	MOVE/HOME EMSA	Border sub-group	October 2012	Completed
Business rules – Health	MOVE/SANCO EMSA	Health sub-group	October 2012	Completed
Harmonisation of business rules	MOVE/EMSA	eMS		Completed
Mapping the data set (except cargo related data)	MOVE/EMSA	Data Mapping and Functionalities sub-group	December 2012	Completed
Milestone: Functional Specifications	MOVE.D1	eMS	December 2012	July 2014

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Technical specifications: phase 2				
Deliverable	**Coordinated by**	**Associated**	**Initial Deadline**	**Updated Deadline**
Technical specifications for interface Single Window – SSN	SSN group	HLSG	June 2013	Completed
Guidelines for the interface between the Shipping industry and the national Single Window	EMSA/MOVE	eMS	June 2013	October 2014 – January 2015
Mandatory functionalities of the Single Windows including the data quality	MOVE/EMSA	eMS	September 2013	October 2014
Messaging Reference Guide (AnNa and NSW Prototype as best practices)	EMSA/MOVE		September 2013	NSW prototype: completed July 2014
Milestone: Implementation Guidelines	**MOVE.D1/EMSA**	**eMS**	**December 2013**	**October 2014**

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Technical implementation: phase 3

Deliverable	Coordinated by	Associated	Initial Deadline	Updated Deadline
Commissioning tests plan – training environment	MOVE.D1,EMSA, TAXUD, HOME,SANCO	eMS/SSN group	December 2013	SSN: October 2014 NSW: (MSs)
Technical implementation – SafeSeaNet related	SSN NCAs for national component / EMSA (for central component)		2014	March 2015
Technical implementation – NSW	MS NSW responsible Authority		2014	March 2015
Technical implementation – NSW/ National systems interface	MS NSW responsible Authority	Other National authorities.	2014	March 2015

Testing phase: phase 4

Deliverable	Coordinated by	Associated	Initial Deadline	Updated Deadline
Commissioning tests at national level	MS responsible Authority	Other national authorities	March 2015	March 2015
Commissioning tests of the National-Central SSN interfaces	EMSA	MS responsible Authority	March 2015	From January to June 2015

Report on data mapping

Clarifications from COM and other eMS sub-groups

Individual names and definitions (Annex 1)

- 20 groups of data elements
- Parts A and B formalities

Mapping of data elements (Annex 2)

- At arrival and at departure
- Data elements supported by all NSW
- Data elements exchanged via SSN

Technical definitions of data elements (Annex 3)

Mapping with message standards (Annex 4)

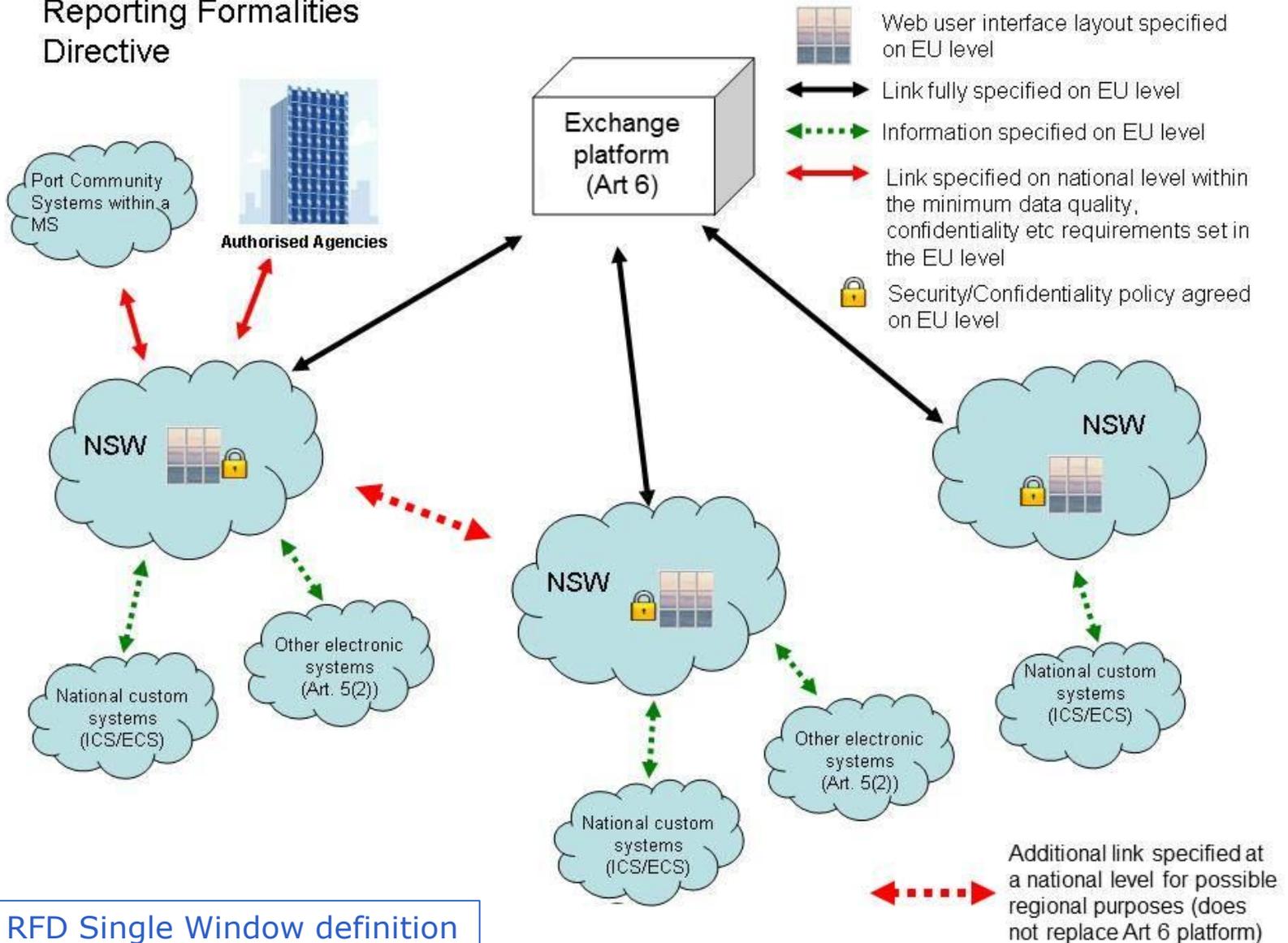*Additional data elements for information (Annex 5)*

- which can be considered by MS under part C

NSW Guidelines

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Purpose of the document
- 3. Definitions
- 4. Scope of these guidelines
- 5. Legal basis and the Single Window definition
- 6. Data provision – Front office NSW
- 7. Data processing – Front/Mid office
- 8. Data Exchange (National) – Mid Office
- 9. Data exchange (EU) - Back office
- 10. General system requirements
- 11. Change management

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Reporting Formalities Directive

Web user interface layout specified on EU level

Link fully specified on EU level

Information specified on EU level

Link specified on national level within the minimum data quality, confidentiality etc requirements set in the EU level

Security/Confidentiality policy agreed on EU level

Exchange platform (Art 6)

Port Community Systems within a MS

Authorised Agencies

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National custom systems (ICS/ECS)

Other electronic systems (Art. 5(2))

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Additional link specified at a national level for possible regional purposes (does not replace Art 6 platform)

Source: RFD Single Window definition

Report on the implementation of the RFD
COM (2014)320 of 25th June 2014

All Member States have done considerable work transposing the Directive

The difficulty of collecting required data in a harmonised way is not solely financial or technical but organisational.

Several Member States have also expressed concerns on meeting the June 2015 deadline

The report urged Member States to step up the efforts for this major simplification and harmonisation task

Blue Belt pilot project

Council 2 December 2010

- Supported the idea of the Commission to initiate the "Blue Belt" pilot project based on the existing SafeSeaNet technology, in cooperation with EMSA and the Member States

Objective:

- Provide Customs authorities with vessel voyage information with an added degree of certainty regarding the ship whereabouts
- 253 participating vessels ("blue ships")

Stakeholders:

- DG MOVE, DG TAXUD, ECSA, WSC, Electronic Custom Group, SSN HLSG

Blue Belt pilot project

The pilot project has demonstrated that

- It is possible to deliver accurate and timely information about vessel voyages to customs
- This information is useful and can support customs procedures
  - Report were used in the risk assessment process
  - facilitated some aspects of customs procedures
  - provided assurances about the correctness of the vessel's declared routing

The pilot project did not lead to simplifications in customs procedures, as the current legal framework has remained unchanged

System is still operating and delivering the service

- To 8 MS
- 250 vessels

Blue Belt measures

❑ **Regular Shipping Services enhancements** :

- ▪ Consultation period MS customs authorities shortened from currently 45 days to 15 days
- ▪ Smoothened procedure for adding new ports/Member States to the RSS

❑ **Blue Belt including visits to 3rd country ports**

- ▪ Customs supervision no longer needed upon re-entry of goods with proven EU status (**eManifest**) between EU ports + 3rd country ports (ex. Shanghai –> Civitavecchia –> Tangier –> Antwerp)

- ▪ The National Single Window can be used for the collection of the eManifest and its submission to customs and other relevant authorities

SafeSeaNet

SafeSeaNet is the Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system, established by Directive 2002/59/EC for:

- ❑ maritime safety
- ❑ port and maritime security
- ❑ marine environment protection
- ❑ search and rescue
- ❑ improving the response of authorities to incidents and accidents
- ❑ the efficiency of maritime traffic and maritime transport

SSN initiated in October 2004 and operational since 2009

New Annex 3 on SafeSeaNet adopted on 28th October 2014
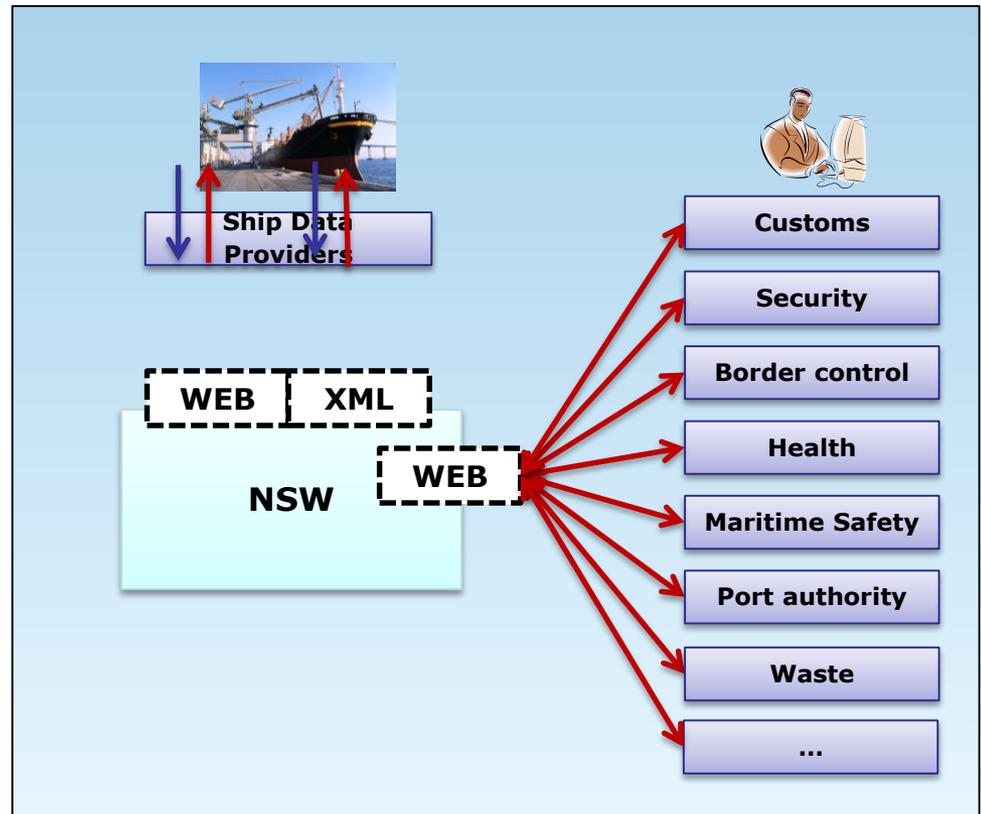
NSW prototype developed by EMSA

Part A and B formalities
- ***Except ENS, FAL 2***

Ship data providers submit information about reporting formalities (XML and WEB)

Authorities consult the information submitted by ship data providers (WEB)

Decisions by authorities are communicated back to ship data providers (XML and WEB)

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