

# Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness

## National Matters Denmark

### New Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness

On August 29, 2024, a Royal resolution established the Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness. This new ministry is tasked with preventing, responding to, and recovering from incidents that threaten society's fundamental functions.

The ministry's responsibilities include overseeing the National Emergency Management Agency as well as the fields of cybersecurity, digital information security, crisis management coordination, and supply chain security.

Within the maritime domain, the ministry will be responsible for ship routes including aids to navigation and external navigation systems, marine environmental emergencies, and coastal rescue services.

As a result of this reorganization, the Safety of Navigation, National Waters division has been transferred from the Danish Maritime Authority to the Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness.

Denmark remains committed to its work within IALA, and there will be close cooperation between the new ministry and the Danish Maritime Authority regarding e.g. IALA and IMO matters.

### New Danish Councilor

Mr. Jan Thorn has been appointed the new Danish IALA Councilor. Jan Thorn is Director of Safety of Navigation, National Waters under the Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness and has worked within field of Aids to Navigation since 2009.

### Ongoing development and project efforts.

The Ministry of Resilience and Preparedness is actively involved in the ongoing development of S-100, VDES, and R-mode within the IALA framework.

Initial efforts include developing the NIORD MSI system to disseminate information in S-100 formats, upgrading the AtoN Register to a GIS-based platform, trials of VDES at AIS base stations, and testing R-mode at a DGNSS station.

Before 2026, we plan to further modernize the AtoN Register to fully comply with S-201 standards. Additionally, through the EU-Project MaDaMe, the NIORD/MSI system will be upgraded to convert MSI to S-124 and S-125 formats, and the first two AIS stations will be upgraded to VDES. Furthermore, our buoy tender, POUL LØWENØRN, and ferry will be equipped to receive S-100 datasets.

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A crucial future goal is to integrate data between the NIORD (MSI system) and the AtoN Register to eliminate duplication of data projection and data inconsistencies.

#### Capacity Building Project in Albania

In collaboration with the Albania Hydrographic Service (AHS) and IALA World Wide Academy (WWA), the the Safety of Navigation, National Waters division has participated in a capacity building project in Albania.

Based on a Technical Needs Assessment Report prepared by WWA followed up by a visit by Danish experts to Albania and a subsequent return visit from the Albania Hydrographic Service to Denmark, it has been possible to identify a number initiatives regarding AtoN Management and publication of Maritime Safety Information (MSI) - including the possibility of implementing the Danish NIORD MSI system.