

COAST GUARD HQ – PLANS & OPS. DPT

Main mechanism of SAR  
cooperation in maritime domain

*Modus operandi and  
Interagency Cooperation*



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- *Who we are*
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**—** Hierarchical dependence  
**—** Functional dependence  
**—** Concourse/Cooperation



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EU COAST GUARD FUNCTIONS



acting as supporting Authority for operational cooperation within other

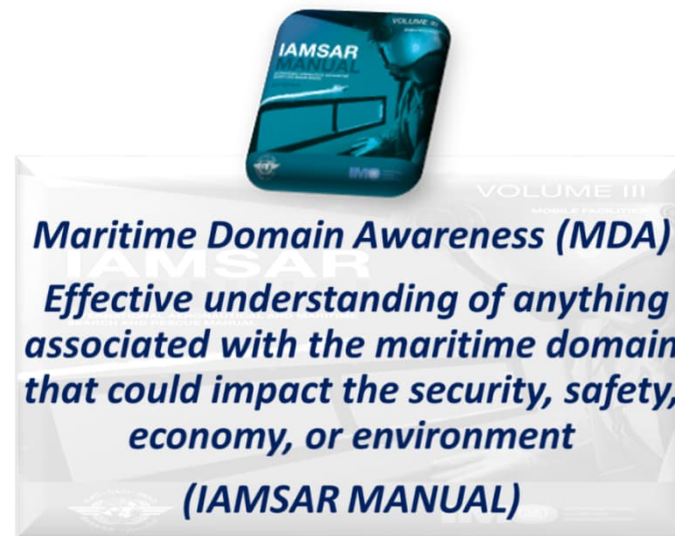
- MARITIME CUSTOMS ACTIVITIES
- MARITIME BORDER CONTROL

COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION (EU) 2021/1222 OF 20 JULY 2021 ESTABLISHING A “PRACTICAL HANDBOOK” ON EUROPEAN COOPERATION ON COAST GUARD FUNCTIONS

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ITCG MODUS OPERANDI





RISK ASSESSMENT

TRAINING

PERFORMANCE MONITORING

EXPERTIZE

Interagency cooperation at national level



AERONAUTICA MILITARE

Guardia di Finanza



National Technical Agreement



Edizione 2015



COMANDO GENERALE DEL CORPO DELLE CAPITANERIE DI PORTO

MARICOGECAP OP/002

OPERAZIONE 'MARE SICURO'



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 GUARDIA COSTIERA





## Naval assets

### Italian Coast Guard:

M/V CP 881 (OSC);  
M/V CP 277;  
M/V CP 846;  
M/V CP 551;  
GC B131;  
GC B174;  
GC B43;

### Fire Fighting brigade:

MV VF 1114;  
MV VF RAFF 07;

### Guardia di Finanza:

GDF G222

### Tugs:

R/RE GLADIATOR;  
R/RE BREMEN;  
R/RE STAR;  
R/RE SURI

## Aerial assets

- Italian Coast Guard ATR-42 MANTA 10-01;
- Guardia di Finanza helicopter AW169 VOLPE 513;
- Fire Fighting brigade helicopter AW 139 DRAGO 149;



## REAL SAR CASE

### SHIP RESCUED WAS SHIP«AUDACE»

Length: 28 mt.

T.S.L.: 24,37

Flag: italian

Nr. persons O/B: 85 of  
different nationalities



### **Lesson learned:**

- ✗ *Incoherence of the number of people (passengers, minors, crew) registered on the systems and the effective presence on board*
- ✗ *Failure of some cooperating rescue craft to switch on AIS signal*
- ✓ *Presence on the scene of rescue swimmers operators*
- ✓ *Use of tugs as logistical platforms for rescue operations*



- ✓ **Boost (first!) cooperation between national Agencies**
- ✓ **Information sharing among entities, to reduce responsiveness and improve effectiveness in SAR operation**
- ✓ **Understanding of existing international mechanism of cooperation (Legislation, Memorandum of Understanding, Technical Agreement, etc)**
- ✓ **Organization of periodical exercises between national/international Agencies, improving cross-sectoral/interagency cooperation**

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