



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PROMOTE THE SOCIAL ACCEPTABILITY OF PORTS

## PARTIES

The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") are the WORLWIDE NETWORK OF PORT CITIES ("AIVP") and GREEN MARINE MANAGEMENT CORPORATION ("GREEN MARINE").

### THE FRAMEWORK OF COOPERATION

AIVP and GREEN MARINE hereby agree and declare that this Memorandum of Understanding will serve as a framework to enhance cooperation between the two parties in support of Green Marine's environmental agenda and related initiatives, and this with the main goal of reducing the environmental footprint of the maritime and port industry while encouraging the industry's stakeholders to continually improve their environmental performance.

AIVP and GREEN MARINE intend to collaborate more specifically on defining a new sustainable development indicator titled «Community Relations» to outline social acceptability and good relations with a community. GREEN MARINE will rely on AIVP's expertise in the field of city-port-citizen relations and in the analysis of tools such as Port Centers (www.portcenternetwork.org), a concept that AIVP certified in 2016. This collaboration will pool knowledge and encourage the respective members to favor a global approach that integrates both environmental and societal aspects.

AIVP and GREEN MARINE also intend to collaborate to promote their respective work within each of their networks, specifically:

- AIVP and GREEN MARINE undertake to inform their respective members of the events (national and international) organized by the other entity and to promote these events by the usual means (websites, email, social networks, etc.)
- Either organization may send a representative to the public session(s) of the other's annual general meeting. No registration fee will be charged, but all travel and accommodation costs will remain the responsibility of the attending representative.
- AIVP and GREEN MARINE hereby agree to assist each other, if necessary, in the search for speakers for international events, according to the specific requirements of each organization.

The two organizations hereby agree to exchange their respective membership rights at the organizational level without cost. GREEN MARINE becomes an AIVP partner; AIVP becomes an association (Class B) member of the Green Marine Management Corporation. In addition, AIVP and GREEN MARINE will exchange information (newsletters, reports, etc.) to further their common goals.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE, MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION**

This MOU will enter into force upon signature by the Parties. The terms of this MOU will remain in effect until terminated or modified. The MOU may be modified by the written agreement of the parties, or terminated by any party upon written notice to the other parties. Should either party terminate the MOU, steps will be taken to ensure that such termination does not affect any prior obligation, project or activity already in progress.

#### CONFIDENTIALITY

Nothing in this MOU will be so construed as to require either Party to furnish any material, data or information, the furnishing of which could, in its judgment, require it to violate its policy regarding the confidentiality of such information.

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS**

It is understood that this MOU provides a framework to cooperate and pursue projects of mu¬tual interest. Any exchange of funds or other tangible resources in furthering the purposes of this MOU will require the execution of a separate written instrument in accordance with applicable law. The organizations agree that this MOU recognizes the autonomy of each organization and implies no affiliation between them.

#### **ALL RIGHTS RESERVED**

No license, title or right to the Green Marine Environmental Program or the Green Marine logo is hereby granted under this MOU without the express permission of Green Marine. No license, title or right to the AIVP logo is hereby granted under this MOU without the express permission of AIVP.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly appointed representatives of the WORLWIDE NETWORK OF PORT CITIES and of GREEN MARINE MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, respectively, have on behalf of the Parties signed the present Memorandum of Understanding, in two originals, in Quebec City (Canada), this 11th day of June 2018.

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