

Wider international cooperation on maritime digitalization and e-navigation

The Danish Maritime Authority widens the international work on digitalization and e-navigation and enters into a cooperation agreement with the Republic of Korea (ROK), Sweden, Australia and the People's Republic of China (PRC). This was reported by DMA from Seoul on 4 June.

Up until this date Denmark has had cooperation agreements (MoU) on e-navigation with the ROK and Sweden, but in order to strengthen the focus on digitalization in the maritime sector, the cooperation is now widened to include Australia and the PRC.

On the morning of 4 June Andreas Nordseth, Director General of the Danish Maritime Authority, participated in opening the conference: e-Navigation Underway 2018 Asia Pacific in Seoul, ROK where the new cooperation agreement was later signed.

Nordseth commented: *‘Cooperation and global solutions is the way forward if digitalization is to ensure development, growth and increased safety. From the Danish side, we are pleased with the widened cooperation. We share a common interest in promoting the digital agenda, including global e-navigation solutions.’*

The Danish Maritime Authority has for the past couple of years entered into several cooperation agreements or MoU with other leading maritime nations to promote Danish views and positions of strength on maritime policy.

Such cooperation agreements benefit both the Danish Maritime Authority's ability to act as an authority, while Danish shipping can benefit from bilateral contact existing at a governmental level.