



Finnish Sailing and Boating Federation
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To:

Kotka Maritime Research Centre
Research Director Annukka Lehtikainen

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Subject: Collaboration statement for the project plan SRC WATERWAYS

We have familiarized with your plans concerning the project WATERWAYS. We hereby confirm that Finnish Sailing and Boating Federation is willing to support the project.

The objectives and the work plan of WATERWAYS is important, because early and strategic preparedness for various environmental and security threats is of paramount importance for the recreational and harbor activities of our member clubs and their over 60,000 individual members.

A unified, research-based legislation and policy that supports the well-being and safety of the environment and people, which the research aims to establish, is equally important for organized recreational boaters, as well as for sustainable maritime spatial planning based on extensive knowledge and understanding.

We are more than willing to support the project and contribute to its success, for example, by providing insights from recreational boaters or harbor operators if their perspectives are sought in the research.

For the scope of the WATERWAYS project proposal, the designated contact points in our organisation is Tuomas Finne, Manager, Club services and Recreational Boating. (tuomas.finne@spv.fi, +358 50 3883 775)

It is understood that this letter constitutes a statement of our intention with respect to the described project and that the realisation of the project will be subject to the grant of the funding contemplated in the proposal, as well as the agreement by the project consortium members on all terms and conditions of the agreement relating to their participation in the project.

Sincerely,

Jan Thorström
Executive Director

Authorised representative of Finnish Sailing and Boating Federation