

Milestones



Handover of the dedicated Unit Banner by the Commander in Chief German Fleet

24.04.2007	Ceremonial Commissioning of the COE CSW as a national office; handover of the dedicated Unit Banner.
25.08. – 01.09.2008	Participation in the Harbour Protection Trials 08, a testing of technical and organisational means with the purpose of protecting harbour installations and sensitive infrastructure.
03.10.2008	Ceremonial signing of the inauguration of the COE CSW as an international office in Norfolk, Virginia. Participating nations of the "very first moment" are Turkey, Greece and the Netherlands as "Sponsoring Nations", and Germany as "Host Nation".
20.10. – 23.10.2008	First "Kiel Conference" with international participation; start of a series of similar annual conferences



17.12.2008	First meeting of the Steering Committee. This committee consists of representatives of all "Sponsoring Nations" and the "Host Nation". Like a supervisory body it decides on general tasking and financing of the COE CSW and meets twice a year.
03.03.2009	Signing of the NATO-accreditation.
26.05.2009	Festive introduction ceremony of the NATO-accreditation in the Parliament of Schleswig-Holstein in Kiel.
02.07.2009	Poland joins the COE CSW as fourth "Sponsoring Nation" and is permanently represented by a staff officer.
September 2009	Participation in exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2009 in Germany.
September 2010	Participation in exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2010 in Finland.
02.05. – 05.05.2011	Maritime Security Conference in Kiel with a wide international participation and presence. Starting point of a series of similar conferences with the purpose of dealing with all aspects of maritime safety and security.
August 2011	Moving into the new staff building inside the Kiel Naval Base.
September 2011	Participation in exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2011 in Denmark.
21.11.2011	Finland joins the COE CSW as "Contributing Nation" and is permanently represented by a staff officer.
04.06. – 07.06.2012	Participation in the "Maritime Security Conference" in Halifax, Canada.
October 2012	The COE CSW becomes member of a Specialist Team working on a new NATO-Doctrine for protection of harbours and other critical infrastructure, the "Specialist Team on Harbour Protection".
14.06. – 17.05.2013	First Legal Conference on Maritime Law in London, United Kingdom.
14.06.2013	COE CSW's own website goes online: www.coecsw.org



- September 2013 Participation in the exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2013 in Sweden with main emphasis on Harbour Protection.
- **06.02.2014** Italy joins the COE CSW as fifth "Sponsoring Nation" and is permanently represented by a staff officer.
- **24.03.2014** The 5th anniversary of the NATO-Accreditation is celebrated with a birthday party.

19.04. – Second Legal Conference in Rome, Italy. The International 23.04.2014 Maritime Law becomes a core topic; further conferences in changing places are to follow.

- September 2014 Participation in the exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2014 in Finland with main emphasis on Harbour Protection.
- September 2015 Participation in the exercise NORTHERN COASTS 2015 in Denmark with main emphasis on Harbour Protection.
- **08.12.2016** Signing of a cooperation with the Combined Joint Operations from the Sea Centre of Excellence (CJOS COE) in Norfolk, Virginia, for annual meetings "Maritime Security Institutions Round Table". The first Round Table meets in Norfolk.
- **14.07.2017** Lithuania joins the COE CSW as second "Contributing Nation" and is permanently represented by a staff officer.
- **06.10.2017** Denmark joins the COE CSW as third "Contributing Nation" and is temporarily represented by a staff officer.
- **09.10.2017** The NATO-instruction ATP 94 "Harbour Protection" comes into force. It draws on significant contributions by the COE CSW.
- 16.02. -Participation of a COE CSW-delegation in the Munich Security18.02.2018Conference for the first time.
- **15.11.2018** Official ceremony on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the COE CSW as an international office, including the donation of an individual campaign banner of the state of Schleswig-Holstein by Minister of the Interior Hans-Joachim Grote