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IBIA's position on recent ADN 2025 Regulations affecting the ARA Region

IBIA's Chair, Constantinos Capetanakis's statement on behalf of IBIA – The International Bunkering Industry Association.

IBIA - The International Bunker Industry Association acknowledges the developments related to the implementation of the ADN 2025 (European Agreement on the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways). Under these regulations, cargo tanks carrying fuel under UN-3082 classification can no longer be opened for sampling and measurements, effectively prohibiting manual tank access.

As the representative voice of the global bunkering industry, IBIA understands the underlying objective of strengthening safety and sustainability in inland waterway transport. Safety is a cornerstone of our sector, and we share the authorities' commitment to high standards.

At the same time, we are mindful that the changes, as they currently stand, may create unintended consequences for the bunkering industry, with possible knock-on effects for trust and credibility on all sides of the bunkering operations in one of the world's most important bunkering hubs.

IBIA believes that constructive dialogue is the best path forward. We therefore call for closer engagement between authorities and industry stakeholders to ensure that the regulations achieve their intended safety objectives while maintaining confidence and transparency in bunkering operations.

As an international association representing all sides of the marine energy industry, IBIA stands ready to contribute expertise and facilitate discussions that can help authorities and industry work together towards effective and practical solutions.

About:

IBIA – The International Bunker Industry Association is the voice of the global bunker industry and represents all stakeholders across the industry value chain. Our membership includes ship owners/operators, bunker suppliers, traders, brokers, barging companies, storage companies, surveyors, port authorities, credit reporting companies, lawyers, P&I clubs, equipment manufacturers, shipping journalists and marine consultants. Formed in 1992, today we have members in more than 68 countries.

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