A safer and more secure maritime space: increasing capacity in delivering coastguard functions

- **Coastguard function** :
  - Many organisations depending from different administrations already involved in cooperation based on international, sub-regional, multilateral agreements
  - EU Interagency cooperation (EMSA - EFCA - FRONTEX)
  - Data sharing (including end users) not a technical issue but a governance one
  - Maritime surveillance and intelligence in support to **joint actions** and **shared missions**
- **Training :** network of training centers – a full axis of cooperation (capacity building in a partnership approach)
- **Surveillance** :
  - VTS networking for action and training
  - Integrated (multi purpose) maritime surveillance
- **A place to discuss : MED Coastguard Forum**
  - strategic issues : common vision of challenges
  - operational issues : concern sharing for joint operation
- Common procedures for training and joint operations
- Request to address problems at source (migration, illegal activities)
- **Knowledge data share** : integrate coastguard function in VKC
- **Regulation/ surveillance : possible concrete projects - SafeMed and SeaHorse**

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