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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## New website for the CDNI, at www.cdni-iwt.org!

**Strasbourg, 16 Oct. 2014** – Five years after the entry into force of the Convention on the Collection, Deposit and Reception of Waste produced during Navigation on the Rhine and Inland Waterways (CDNI), the Secretariat and the Contracting Parties are pleased to present the new Internet site of the CDNI.

This latest version of the site, which is dedicated to the presentation and implementation of the international Convention, regulating the collection, deposit and reception of waste produced during navigation on the Rhine and inland waterways, is available in four languages (German, French, Dutch, and English).

Corresponding to current expectations among Internet users and crew members, the CDNI Internet site now offers:

- a totally reworked responsive design for easy use on a PC, smartphone or tablet;
- more intuitive ergonomics;
- an **interactive map** showing:
  - the geographical scope of the Convention, and
  - all the reception points for oily and greasy waste currently in service near your location;
- a diary of upcoming meetings and events connected with the CDNI, updated regularly, and downloadable.

Relevant content in connection with the CDNI will be updated on the site regularly, and all the documents needed for the proper application of the Convention are available to download.

We hope you find will find the new site (<u>www.cdni-iwt.org</u>) interesting and worthwhile. Once you have taken a look at it, we would be interested to receive your impressions and comments (<u>secretariat@cdni-iwt.org</u>).

## About the CDNI (www.cdni-iwt.org)

The Convention on the Collection, Deposit and Reception of Waste produced during Navigation on the Rhine and Inland Waterways of 9 September 1996 (CDNI) entered into force on 1 November 2009. It has six member countries (Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Switzerland), and its aim is to protect the environment in general and water in particular. To achieve this, the CDNI has introduced rules aimed at promoting a reduction in the production of waste, channelling waste towards a network of dedicated collection points along navigable waterways, ensuring international funding for its initiatives on the basis of the 'polluter pays' principle, and checking that bans on discharging waste of this type into surface water are being complied with.

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