

LET'S GO! MARITIME INCIDENT RESPONSE GROUPS









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What is MIRG?

- Fire & Rescue Services with the capability to provide a rapid emergency response to vessels at sea.
- Started in the UK in 2006.
- MIRG EU established 2012 teams in NL, BE, FR, UK
- Other FRS capabilities across the world.











The Concept

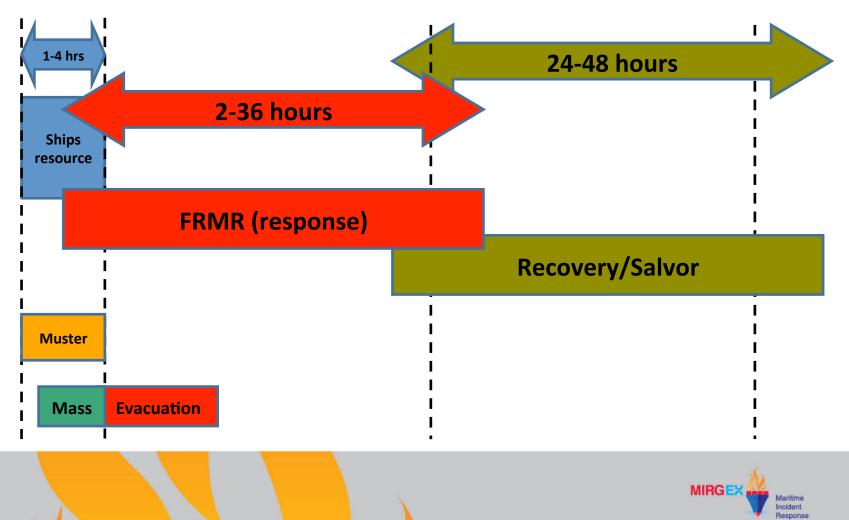


- Not a replacement for salvage companies.
- Contain fire.
- Provide a safe haven for passengers & crew.
- Avoid mass evacuation at sea.
- Work alongside ship's crew.
- Additional capabilities.



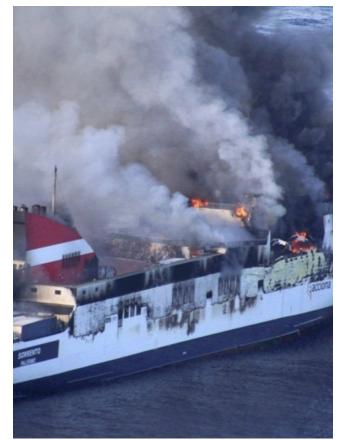


The Gap



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The Risk



- Busiest shipping lanes in the world.
- Increasing passenger numbers.
- Complex structures.
- Recent Incidents:
 - Carribean Fantasy 2016
 - MV Sorrento 2015
 - MS Norman Atlantic 2014



Why MIRG EX?

- Build on the success of MIRG EU.
- Develop Multidisciplinary approach incorporating land response.
- Test the practicality of MIRG teams within the European Commission Civil Protection Mechanism.
- Explore value as an EU wide capability.
- Test Hazmat & entrapment capabilities.





The Scenario



- Fire on board MS Oscar Wilde, car deck.
- Fire fighting assistance to contain.
 - 100+ passengers on board.
 - Missing person.
 - Hazardous materials leak.
 - Bring vessel alongside.
 - Casualty triage & treatment.
 - Land based emergency procedures.



