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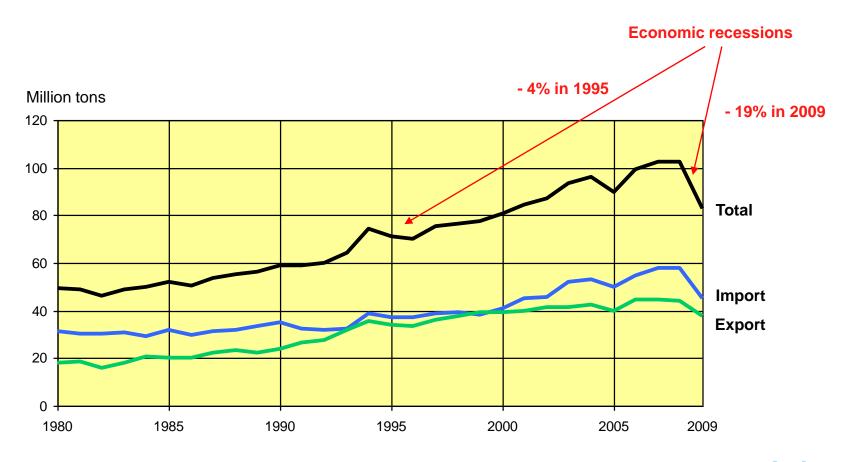
## **Background information on the Finnish Maritime**

- Seaborne transports in Finland
- Finnish ports
- Finnish economy
- Organizational reform in 2010 concerning all modes of transport





## International transports by sea 1980 - 2009





## **Background information on the Finnish Maritime**

#### Information on Finnish ports

- Over 50 operating ports
- 23 winter ports that are kept open with the assistance of the icebreakers
- Ports are mainly owned by the local public institutions
- Port operators are private companies providing e.g. stevedoring operations
- 40.000 port calls annually
- Most of the traffic is international 95 %
- Domestic traffic consists of Inland Water
   Way and Coastal traffic 5 %

#### Information on Finnish economy

- The Finnish economy is a small, open economy
- Exports count nearly 45 % of GDP
- Economy is heavily dependent on seaborne transports
- 90 % of Exports are carried by sea
- 75 % of Imports are carried by sea
- Changes in the economy are reflected fast into the Finnish Maritime



# Organizational reform concerning all modes of transport

- 2 new organizations were established in 2010
  - Finnish Transport Agency (Maritime, Road, Railway)
  - Finnish Transport Safety Agency (Maritime, Road, Railway, Aviation)
- The reason for the reform was to implement the EU regulations that required to separate the operative and safety functions
- The objective of common agency is to coordinate all modes of transport and to allocate resources more efficiently



## Introducing the PortNet – Maritime Information system

The idea was to create a comprehensive national Single Window Application for all authority notices required at ship departures and arrivals to/from all Finnish ports

- Background information
- Organisations involved with the PortNet
- Access to the PortNet
- Special features of the PortNet





## Introducing the PortNet

#### **Background information**

- The national legislation allowed authorities to exchange information under certain conditions and to create a common system
- First version of PortNet was build in 1994 for reporting dangerous goods
- In 2000 the web based system was created
- Today the number of registered user has increased to 1.500 and daily users around 1.000

### **Organisations involved**

- Finnish Transport Agency administers the use of PortNet
- The PortNet was created in a community that consisted of Maritime Administration, Customs and 20 biggest ports
- PortNet is used by Authorities and different maritime companies involved in seaborne transports



## Introducing the PortNet

#### **Access to Portnet**

- Access to the Portnet is restricted
- PortNet users have different profiles depending on their status
- Timetable information is public but cargo information is restricted to authorities, the concerned ship agents and the port in question

### **Special features of the PortNet**

- Data can be input using the
  - Web interface
  - XML file transfer
- The large companies are transforming the data electronically where as the smaller operators use the web interface



- Official Maritime Statistics
- Annual Statistics
- Monthly Statistics
- Eurostat datasets





#### Overview on maritime statistics

- Official Maritime Statistics are produced from the PortNet by the FTA
- About 200 ship agents input all the information to the PortNet concerning Finnish port calls, including cargo and passenger data
- Maritime statistics are compiled in many different ways according to the user needs
  - Standard Statistics
  - Custom Statistics
  - Data Services
- The PortNet has improved the quality and efficiency of the statistical processes



#### **Annual and Monthly Statistics**

- Statistics are divided into 2 categories
  - International Transports 95 %
  - Domestic Transports (IWW + Coastal) 5 %
- Annual Statistics
  - International Transports
  - Domestic Transports
  - Canal Transports
- Monthly Statistics
  - International Transports
  - Canal Transports

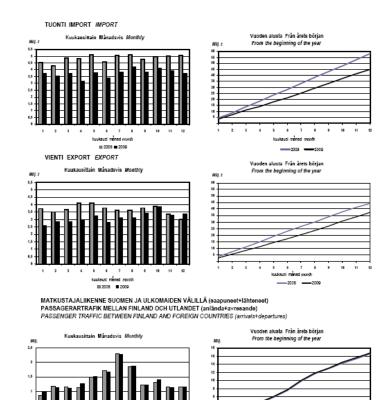
#### **Eurostat datasets**

- Statistics are divided into 2 categories
  - Sea transports
  - IWW transports
- The required datasets are produced directly from the PortNet
- The changes in the EU directives are possible to implement by reprogramming the algorithm that produces the datasets from the PortNet



### **Monthly Statistics on International Shipping**

- 16 commodity groups covering all Finnish ports
- The delay is only about 4 weeks
- Published in the internet according to a timetable
- Monthly Statistics (preliminary data) includes:
  - Imports and Exports by type of goods
  - Imports and Exports by port
  - Vehicle and container transports by port
  - Transit traffic by port and by type of goods
  - Passenger traffic by port and by country
  - Vessel traffic by port
- Monthly Statistics is the most demanded product because over 80 % of foreign trade is seaborne



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## **Future challenges**

- The creation of a maritime statistics databank
- The harmonization of the statistics with the Eurostat definitions
- The co-operation with the Customs
- The political decentralization process in the Public Sector
- The Single Voice of Maritime





### **Conclusions**

- PortNet is a prime example of both a single window application as well as authority co-operation
- Portnet enables to produce a wide variety of maritime statistics rapidly
- PortNet has common features with the Eurostat eMaritime-project





## Thank you for your attention!

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