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The agenda of the 14th edition of RemTech Expo is enriched by new and focal themes related to the maritime space planning, protection of the coastal area, port waters and sediments. The experts talked about that at the meeting of the Technical Scientific Committee of COAST.

On February 3rd, at the headquarter of the Emilia Romagna Region in Bologna, the Technical Scientific Committee of Coast met with the coordination of Dr. **Andrea Zamariolo** supported by Avv. **Francesca Benedetti** (Ministry of the Environment consultant) and Dr. **Tiziana Murgia** (Assoporti). The meeting was animated by some of the leading experts and representatives of the Institutions, Regions, Port System Authorities, Marinas, Control Bodies, Associations, Universities, Research Centers and of course Companies operating in the marine, coastal and port contexts.

The most important innovations introduced this year into the program, concern maritime space planning, coastal erosion, climate changes, port waters, dredging, sediment management, circular economy but also the first reports of the Experts Observatory on the D.M. 173/2016, the new Directives and European Funding.

From 23rd to 25th of September Smart Ports will be at the centre of RemTech Expo agenda in Ferrara as well starting from March 13th in Ancona, at the prestigious Loggia dei Mercanti, on the occasion of the event **Smart Ports, Sustainable Development Goals and Climate Change**, organized in collaboration with Snpa-Ispira, Arpam and Assoporti and with the prestigious patronage of the Italian Ministry of Environment.

Stefano Corsini, President of the North Tyrrhenian Sea Port Authority, declares that particular focal are the issues related to *"the performance of Ministerial Decree n. 173/2016, the urban planning procedures, the authorization timing and the innovations related to the new fuels for boats"*. For **Mario Mega**, President of Stretto di Messina Port Authority *"Environmental and infrastructure topics are crucial to the growth of ports. A regulatory review may be necessary to facilitate sustainable development"*. **Gabriele Ponzoni**, National Council and European Federation of Geologists, argues that *"the coastal system, articulated in ports and infrastructures and coastlines is a challenge that involves public and private actors as well as the scientific world in its ability to plan and understand new natural phenomena due to climate changes. However, the challenge is also economic in terms of higher employment and lower impact"*.

Confirmed during the meeting also the prestigious **Smart Port, Green Technology** and the **Blue Growth Awards** assigned last year respectively to the Central Tyrrhenian Sea and the Northern Tyrrhenian Sea Port Authorities and to the companies Decomar and DHI.

The day closes with full satisfaction and with the launch of actions aimed to consolidate and expand the panel of technical, strategic and regulatory opportunities for all stakeholders involved.

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