

Day 1 – 22.09.2026 | Mein Schiff 2 – Cruise Terminal Steinwerder

08:30 – 09:00	Check in start – Registration at a designated counter in the cruise terminal		
08:45	Coffee reception	The conference room on board the Mein Schiff 2 is the “Schaubühne”	
9:30	Welcome	Welcome and Opening Remarks by the Organizers Welcome Address by the Captain of Mein Schiff 2	
9:45	Presentations <i>Moderated by Kathrin Lau</i>	N.N.	Opening lecture
10:00		N.N. tbc <i>Office of Design & Engineering Standards United States Coast Guard</i>	Vessel Incidental Discharge Act (VIDA)
10:30		Wei Chen <i>EN Decision Ltd</i>	Technologies are regulation-driven
11:00		Ed White <i>Former Manager Alaska Commercial Passenger Vessel Environmental Compliance program</i>	Implementation of environmental standards for shipping in Alaska
11:30		Lucienne Damm <i>Head of Sustainability TUI Cruises</i>	Environmental initiatives on board of cruise ships
12:00	Lunch		
12:45	Guided Tours	Tour 1: Behind-the-Scenes Tour to Waste Handling Area and Engine Control Room Tour 2: Tour through Public Area and Bridge <i>Participation for the guided tours is limited. Advance registration required.</i>	
13:45	Presentation	Benny Carlson <i>Marinfloc AB, Sweden</i>	Bilge water – Why the regulations need to be updated
14:15	Coffee break		
14:30	Presentations	Erik Köster <i>Ankron Water Services GmbH, Germany</i>	Ballast Water Management: Regulations, Expectations, and the Reality at Sea
15:00		Efi Tsolaki <i>ERMA FIRST SA, Greece</i>	Ballast Water – Port State Control Insights
15:30	Closing	Closing remarks	
15:45	End of Day 1		

Day 2 – 23.09.2026 | Handwerkskammer Hamburg (Chamber of Crafts Hamburg)

08:15	Check in start		
	Coffee reception	The conference room is the Grand Hall, Room 304, 3rd Floor	
9:30	Welcome	Welcome Address	
9:05	Presentations <i>Moderated by Kathrin Lau</i>	Markus Joswig <i>Development and Assessment Institute in Waste Water Technology at RWTH Aachen University (PIA e.V.), Germany</i>	Performance of existing sewage treatment plants on ships: The gap between certification conditions and performance under real conditions
10:00		Shay Burnett (she/her) <i>Environmental Maritime Policy Consultant Ocean Conservancy, Baltimore, MD</i>	A Path Forward for a Mandatory Testing Scheme for Existing Sewage Treatment Plants for Consideration at PPR 14
10:30		Nina Klebach <i>Testing Institute for Waste Water Technology (PIA GmbH), Germany</i>	Shaping the Future of Onboard Wastewater Management through Standardization – Overview on the Work of the DIN Committee on Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal on Ships
11:00	Coffee break		
11:30	Presentations	Holger Steinbock <i>Ship Safety Division of the BG Verkehr, Germany</i>	Overview on activities within the HELCOM Baltic Sea Action Plan
12:00		Univ.-Prof. Dr.-Ing. Stephan Köster <i>Institute of Sanitary Engineering and Waste Management Leibniz University Hannover, Germany</i>	Energy Impacts of Integrated Anaerobic Treatment of High- Strength Waste Streams on Cruise Ships
12:30	Lunch		
13:30	Presentations	Benjamin Jeuthe <i>HAMANN AG, Germany</i>	Small ships, big challenges: The realities of sewage systems on a small scale
14:00		Amarnath Kizhakepat <i>RWO GmbH, Germany</i>	Insights on the installation and operation of sewage treatment systems
14:30	Panel discussion	Moderated by Kathrin Lau <i>Editor-in-Chief, Schiff&Hafen and Ship&Offshore</i>	
15:30	Closing	Closing remarks	
15:45	Coffee – End of Day 2		