

RINA tops Paris MOU performance list

Genova, 29 June 2010 - International classification society RINA has been recognised by the Paris MOU as the best performing Recognised Organisation in 2009. At its 43rd meeting the Paris MOU Committee approved the 2009 Port State Control inspection results for ships and adopted new performance lists for Flag States and Recognized Organizations. These lists take effect from 1 July 2010 and show RINA as having the best performance in the high quality section of the list of classification societies.

Ugo Salerno, CEO, RINA, says, "It is good that the results of the rigorous inspection regime of the Paris MOU countries confirms what we already know – that the owners who choose RINA class work hard to maintain the highest standards. We work hard to support those owners, not because we want to top any lists, but because we want our classed fleet to maintain a consistent high level of quality. That will become even more into focus when the Paris MOU begins to implement its Thetis project in 2011, under which all ships will be inspected and then those which meet certain standards will be free of inspection for a set period. High quality owners such as those who underpin this year's MOU performance will benefit by seeing a reduced inspection workload in European ports."

The MOU target lists and information on the new Thetis regime can be found at www.parismou.org

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