

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Organizing Committee it is our pleasure to invite you to the international conference ***Technology transfer in the maritime sector – towards the future***, which is held in **Szczecin, Poland, on 4-5 October 2012**. The conference is organized by the [Centre for Maritime Technology Transfer of the Maritime University of Szczecin](#) (CMTT MUS) under the auspices of the Minister of Transport, Construction and Maritime Economy, the President of the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland, the Marshal of the West Pomeranian Region of Poland and MUS Rector. The event aims at strengthening collaboration between the R&D sector and business.

### **Why should you attend it?**

- To get in direct contact with maritime sector key players,
- To get an overview of the maritime sector achievements between 2007-2012 at the European level and challenges facing it in future and connected with global changes,
- To expand your personal contact network,
- To learn more about the maritime policy and the role of technology transfer in the European Union by 2020,
- To be presented with TT success stories – examples of technologies which once an idea became a product to commercialise (selected marine technologies will be demonstrated on the motor vessel *Odra Queen*),
- To enjoy your stay in Szczecin - a port city and a tourist destination in the north-western corner of Poland.

The Conference involves key stakeholders in the technology transfer process: R&D Organizations, patent offices, technology transfer offices, SMEs and innovators as well as European Commission.

### **Targeted audience:**

- researchers,
- entrepreneurs,
- innovators,
- technology transfer consultants,
- representatives of governmental institutions and policy making organizations of the maritime sector.

### **Invited speakers:**

- European Patent Office
- European Commission, DG MARE

- Patent Office of the Republic of Poland
- innovative companies
- inventors and researchers

**Practical information:**

- participation – free of charge
- conference language – English
- registration deadline – **21 September 2012**
- to register and find detailed information go at [www.ttconference.am.szczecin.pl](http://www.ttconference.am.szczecin.pl)