

EuDA Annual General Meeting

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The European Dredging Industry

A Maritime Success Story

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Agenda

• What is Dredging?

Facts & Figures

• What do European Dredgers want?



Dredging means transporting

Dredging is the maritime transportation of natural materials from one part of the water environment to another by specialised dredging vessels.

Dredging vessels transport

- Sand
- o Rock
- Gravel
- o Silt





Without dredging no harbours, no ports, no access channels.

Ultimately it means no economic development and no global trade.

Land reclamation for commerce, residences and for recreation





Energy enterprises including oil & gas exploration & delivery







Offshore wind farms



Environmental Remediation - Coastal Protection

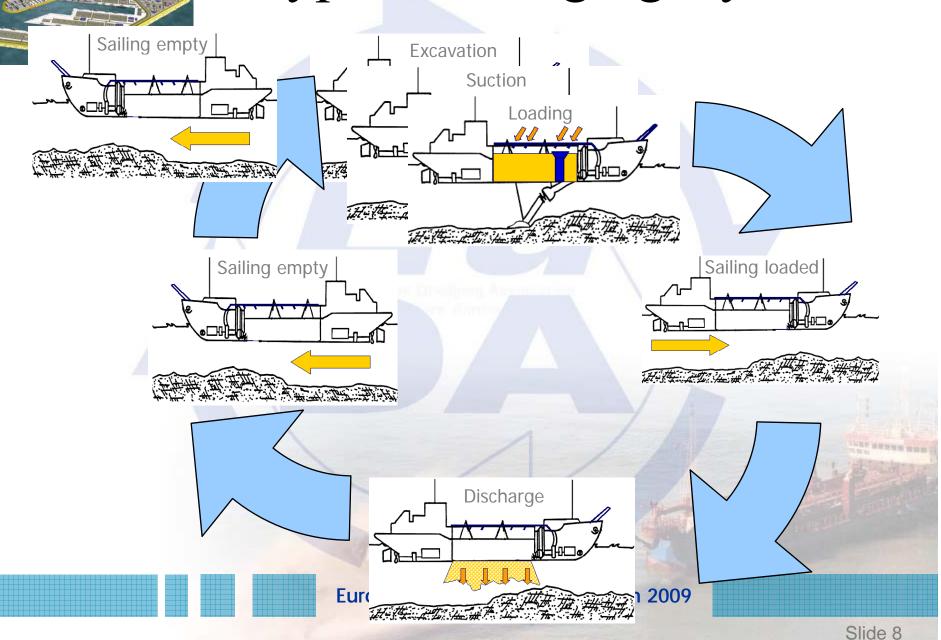






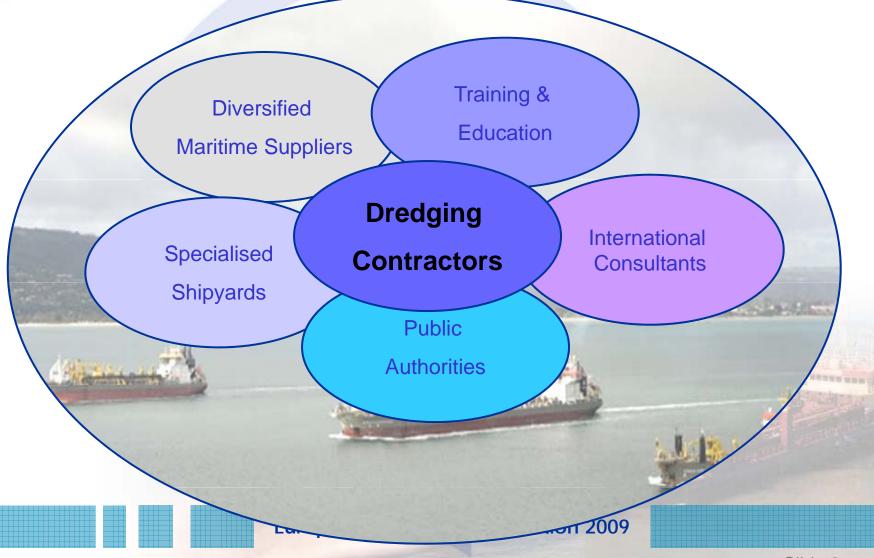


A Typical Dredging Cycle



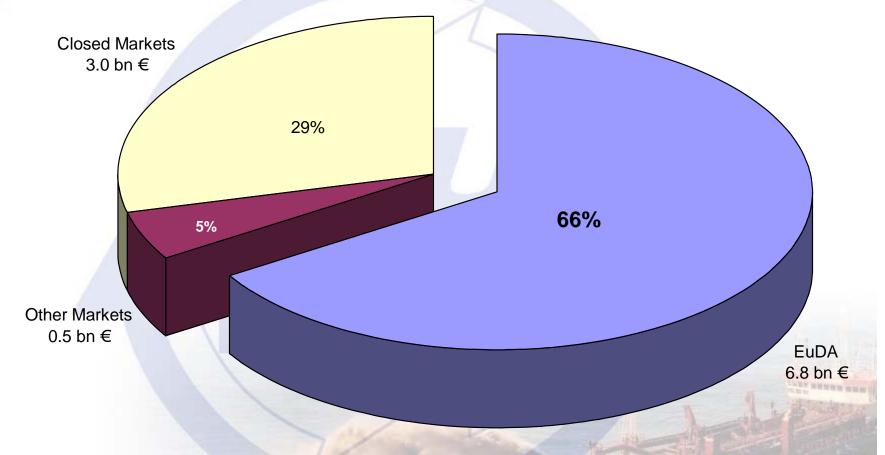


Dredging is essential to the European Maritime Cluster

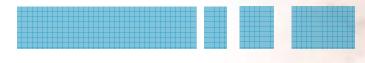




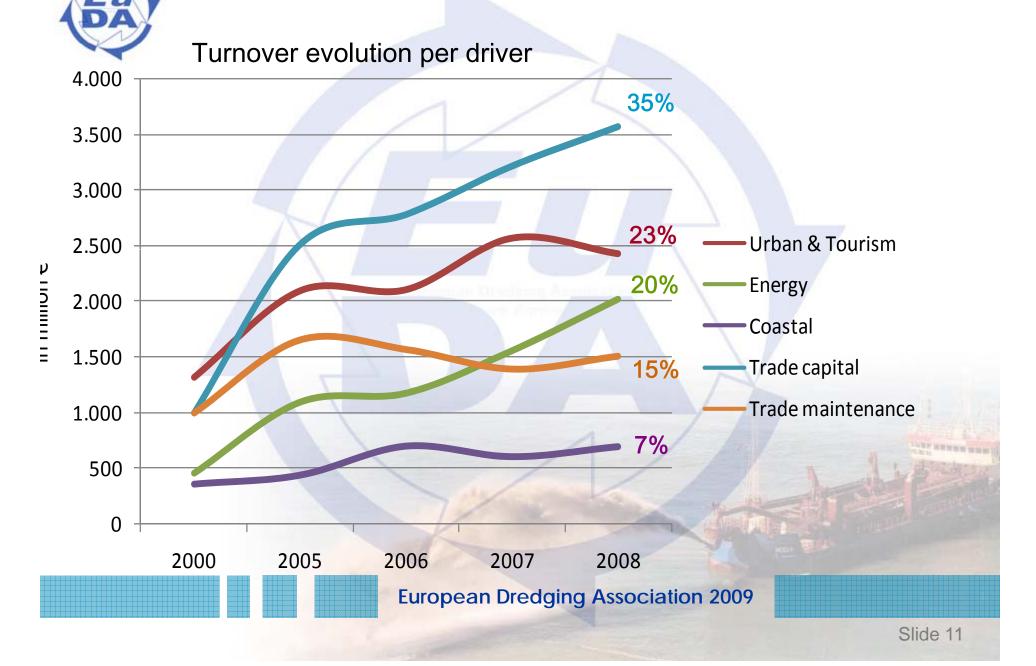
2008 World Dredging Turnover: 10.3 billion €



Despite the global downturn, EuDA companies have grown by 15% in 2008.



Dredging has grown faster than its drivers





European Dredging Companies are at the forefront

- 40% of the Global Cutter Suction Dredgers Fleet (most powerful and technologically advanced)
- 46% of the Global Trailing Suction Hopper Dredgers Fleet (largest and most technologically advanced) of which 98% IMO registered
- 1/3 of dredging vessels are European flagged executing 2/3 of world's dredging projects of which 70% outside Europe bringing however 90% return back to Europe

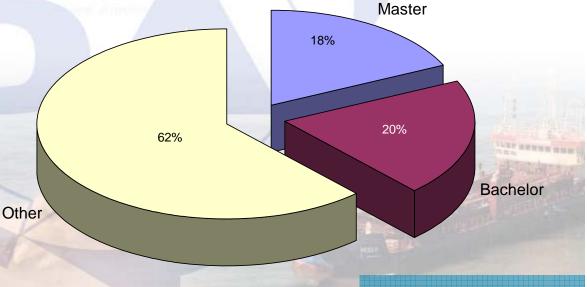


European Dredging Companies invest in people and equipment

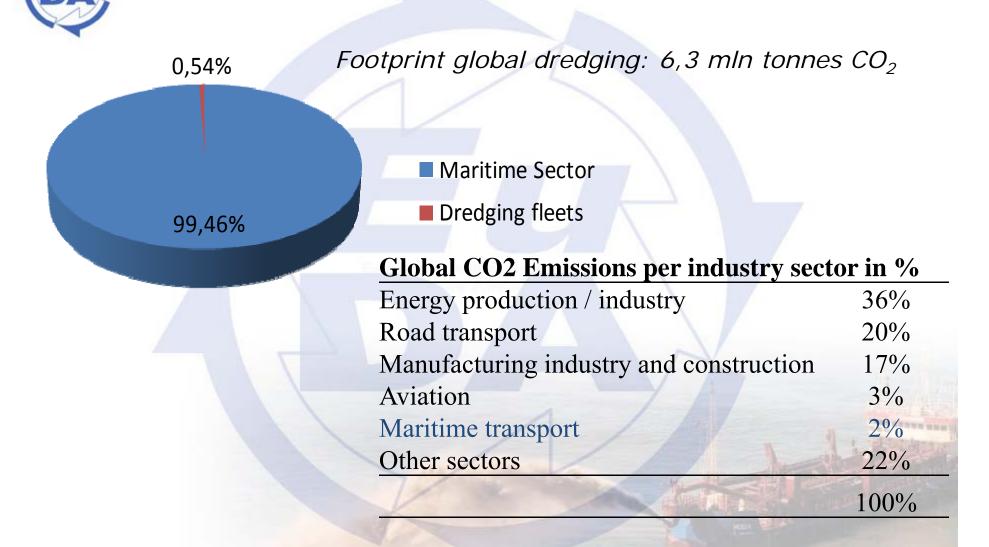
- 5 billion € investments from 2008 to 2011
- 2.5% of total turnover invested in R&D

• 25,000 direct employment and 48,300 indirect





Dredgers' CO₂ footprint in 2008





European Dredging Companies need

- Same international norms and standards for all (environmental, safety and labour)
- Fair and consistent fiscal policies
- Fair, consistent and socially responsible Labour regulations
- Open and accessible World markets
- Fair access to funding for international infrastructure projects



Thank you!

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