



**THE EUROPEAN
DREDGING ASSOCIATION**

The enabling role of the dredging industry in the Global Gateway

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About EuDA

EuDA represents the interests of European dredging companies and acts as the official interface of the European dredging industry towards European institutions and international organisations.



1993

is the year EuDA was founded



16 European dredging organisations

are represented by EuDA



World leaders

top 4 world dredging companies are members of EuDA



21 European countries

have EuDA members presence



750 vessels

combined fleet of EuDA's members



8.6 billion EUR

is the 2021 turnover of EuDA members



25000 direct employees

EuDA members employ 25000 people in Europe



>48300 indirect employees

supply and service companies of EuDA members employ more than 50000 people in Europe



1.

European Dredging

A problem-solving and solution-oriented sector

Dredging is
civil engineering where land meets water
horizontally or vertically.

Paris Sansoglou

Dredging is a problem-solving and solution-oriented sector !

Enablers of Waterborne Transport & Maritime Activities

Port expansion

“Reclaim land on the sea”

“Offshore Oil & Gas”

“Energy, Safety & Multipurpose Islands”



“Maintenance dredging”

Navigational Depth

Port access

“Access channel deepening”

*“Aggregate Mining”
Deep-sea mining*

“Leisure infrastructures”

Dredging facilitates and protects coastal activities worldwide

Environment & Climate Change - Enablers & Protectors

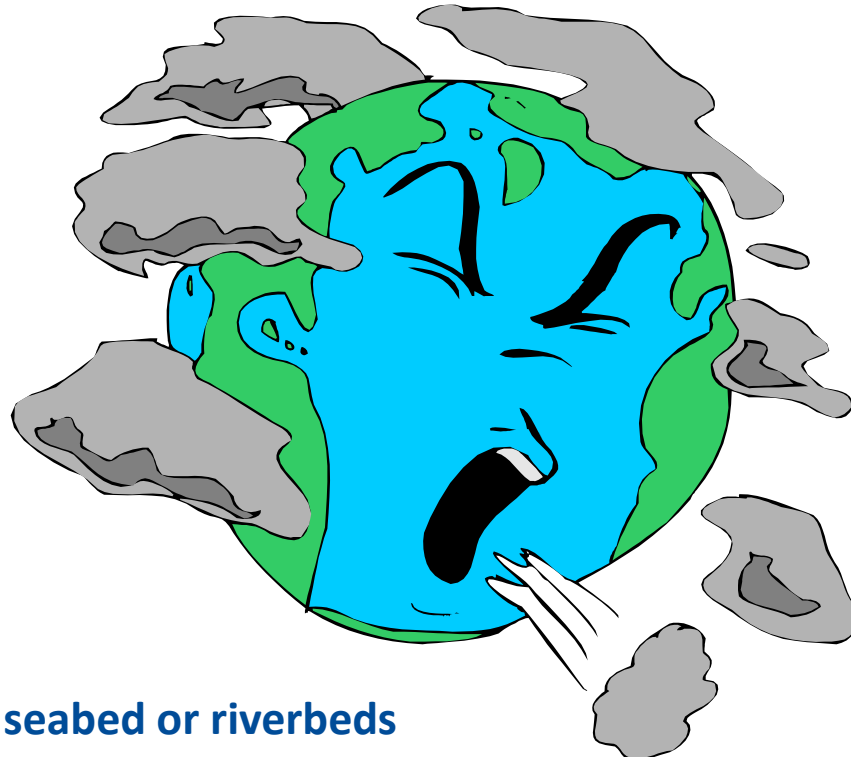
*“Marine Habitats Restoration”
Blue Carbon*

“Offshore Wind Farms”

“Environmental dredging”

Remediation

Contaminated sediments on seabed or riverbeds



*“Climate Change Adaptation”
defences against sea level rise*

“Coastal, storm and flood protection”

*“Building with Nature”
Nature-based Solutions*

2.

Global Gateway

Enabling international waterborne trade

“The Global Gateway strategy is a template for how Europe can build more resilient connections with the world.”

Ursula von der Leyen, President of the European
Commission

Global Gateway

- Dredging is a problem-solving and solution-oriented sector.
- European dredging know-how & expertise are necessary for the maritime aspects of EU Global Gateway.
- Dredging is key to waterborne global trade.
- Dredgers support an ambitious EU Global Gateway vision.

Thank you!

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