



MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT  
ITALIAN COAST GUARD

# SAFETY AND MANAGEMENT OF MIGRANTS IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

EUROPA E AFRICA REGIONAL MARINE FORUM  
ROME 19 JUNE 2018

# AGENDA



ORGANIZATION & RULES

SAR LEGAL FRAMEWORK

MIGRANT FLOW SCENARIO

BORDER SURVEILLANCE

POSSIBLY WAYS AHEAD



# NATIONAL FRAMEWORK



**CIVIL USE OF THE SEA**

**MINISTRY OF  
INTERIOR**

**MINISTRY OF  
ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT**

**CIVIL  
PROTECTION  
DEPARTMENT**



**JUDICIAL  
AUTHORITY**

**MINISTRY OF  
LABOUR**



**MINISTRY OF  
DEFENCE**

**MILITARY TASKS**

**MINISTRY OF  
CULTURAL  
HERITAGE AND  
ACTIVITIES AND  
TOURISM**



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## ***SOLAS Convention - Articles***

### **Article IV – Case of force majeure:**

*Ship and persons non subject to the provision of the Convention;*

### **Article V – Carriage of persons in emergencies:**

*Carriage of a larger number of persons for evacuating purpose*



## ***SOLAS Convention – Ch. IX on ISM***

### **Article 8 para 3:**

*The SMS should provide for measure ensuring that the Company's organization correspond at any time to hazards, accidents and **emergency situation** involving its ships.*

### **Recovery procedures based on:**

*MSC.1/Circ. 1447 Guidelines for the development of plans and procedures for recovery of persons from the water;  
MSC.1/Circ. 1182 Guide to recovery techniques.*



## *National Rules*

### **Presidential Decree 8 November 1991 No. 435 Title I (General provisions)**

- Article 13 Certification of a ship for certain employs
  1. Any ship may be certified for one or more of the following employs:
    - (c) special employs (such as scientific or research).....**salvage**.....



## *National Rules*

### **Presidential Decree 8 November 1991 No. 435** **Title IV (Tugs and SAR Ships)**

- *Article 177: Fire protection and LSAs;*
- *Article 178 Hull and engine characteristics.*



## ***CLASS Rules***

### **Class Notation « RESCUE »**

- *Tug and Supply Vessel;*
- *Rescue zone;*
- *Recovery system;*
- *Additional cabins and berths (at least 30%) and seats for all others;*
- *Sanitary facilities (showers and toilet) 1 / 6;*
- *Food and provision 300% of the total number to be accomodated;*
- *Medical facilities.*





## *Italian flagged ships*

**VOS HESTIA:** Authorization granted by ITCG on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016;

**VOS PRUDENCE** Authorization granted by ITCG on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2016.

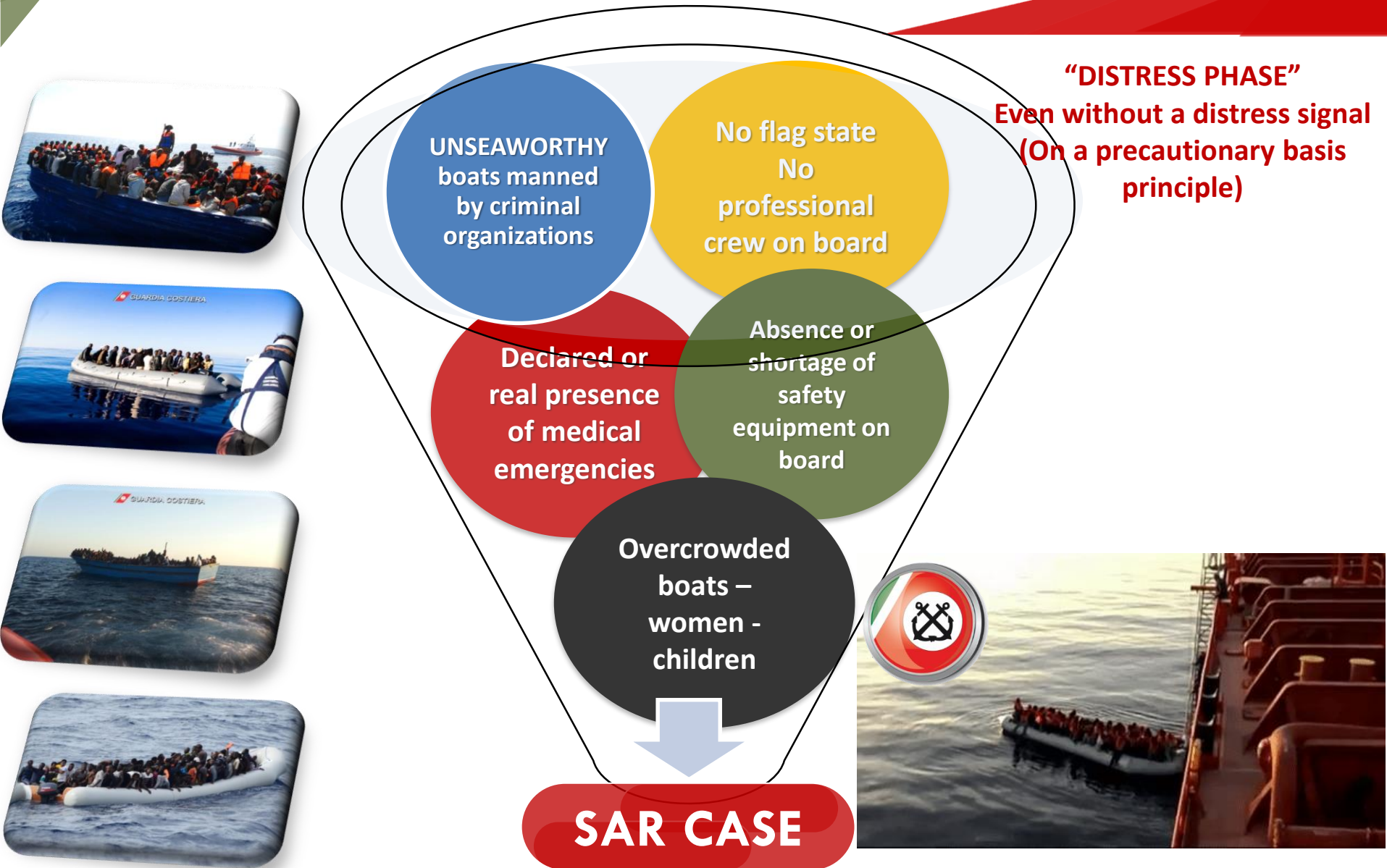


# SAR AND BORDER SURVEILLANCE AT SEA

## *International and EU laws*

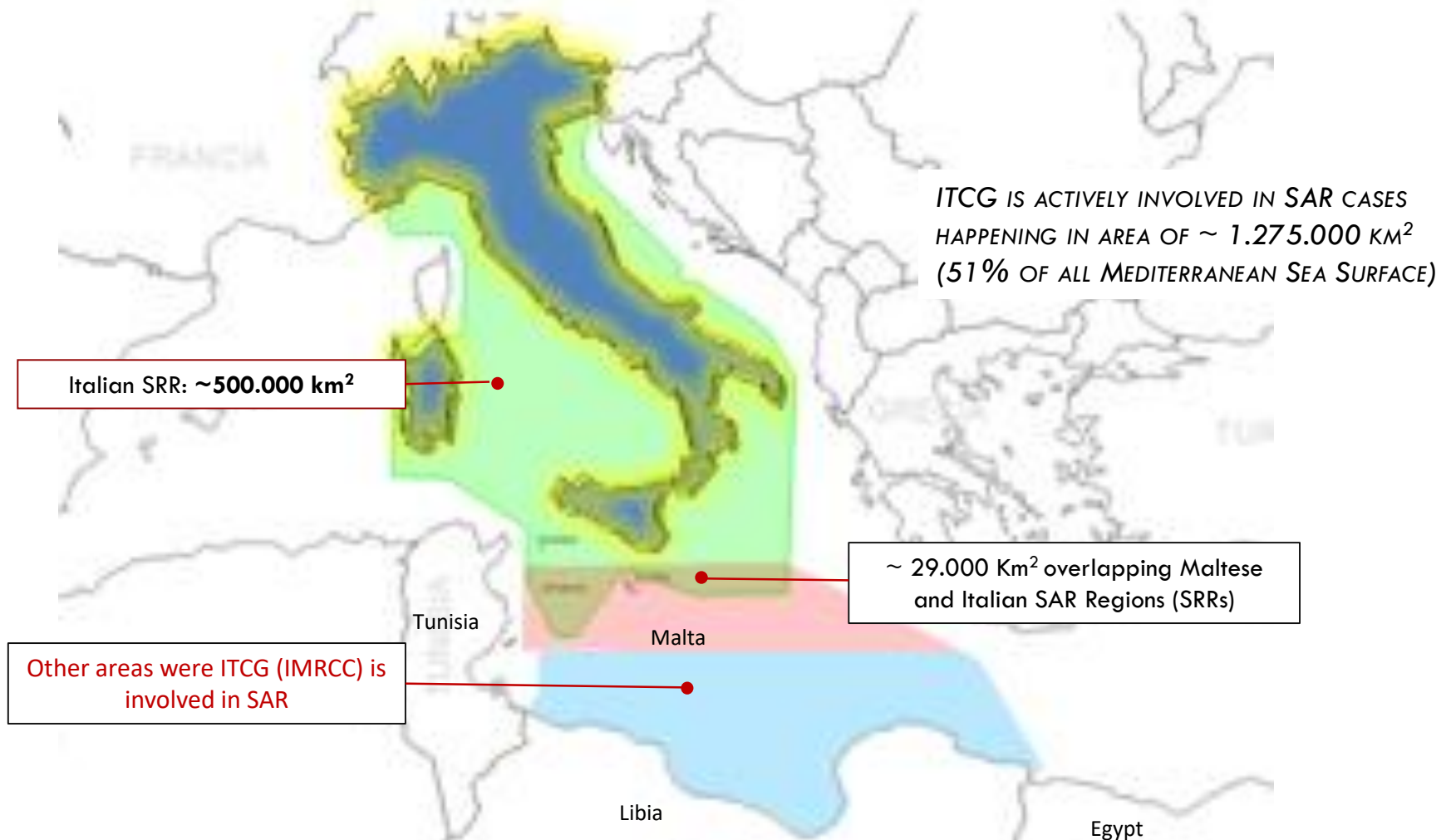


# SEARCH AND RESCUE: ASSESSMENT OF THE CASE



# MIGRATION LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Italy in the center of the Mediterranean sea

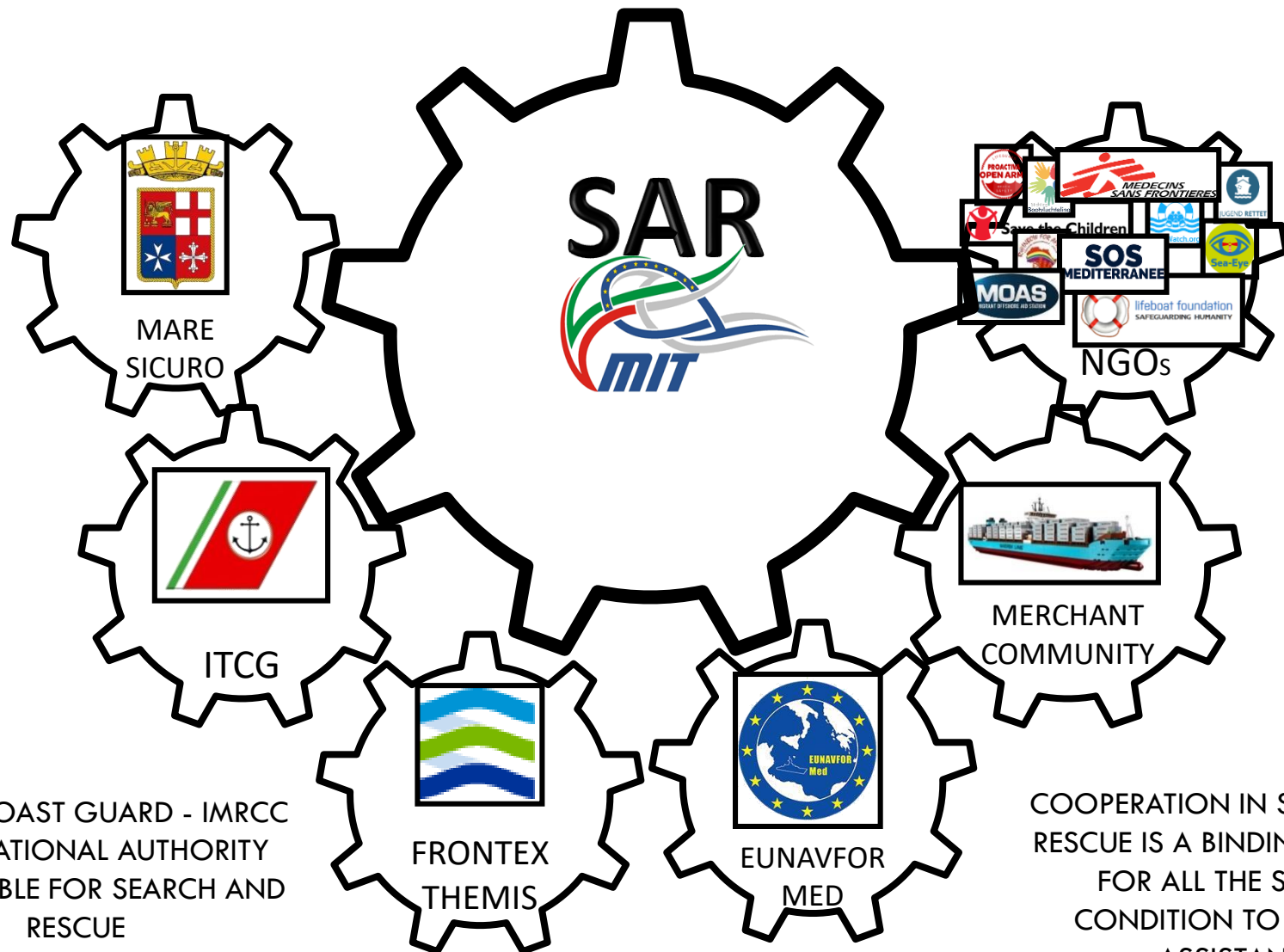


The first SAR authority (RCC) that becomes aware of an actual or potential emergency, it becomes responsible for the case and should take all the necessary action to co-ordinate the response, until the appropriate RCC has assumed responsibility (IAMSAR Vol.II).





# SAR COORDINATION RESPONSABILITY



ITALIAN COAST GUARD - IMRCC  
IS THE NATIONAL AUTHORITY  
RESPONSIBLE FOR SEARCH AND  
RESCUE

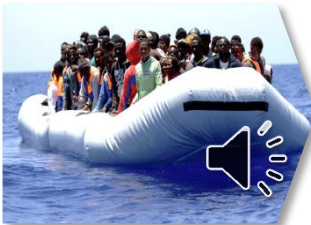
COOPERATION IN SEARCH AND  
RESCUE IS A BINDING PRIORITY  
FOR ALL THE SHIPS IN  
CONDITION TO PROVIDE  
ASSISTANCE



# SAR COORDINATION STEPS

«SAR COORDINATION IS A COMPLEX, DYNAMIC AND ACTIVE OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY»

**STEP 1:**  
FIRST DISTRESS CALL  
RECEIVER



**STEP 2:**  
INFORMATION  
VERIFICATION PROCESS



**STEP 3:**  
BEST RESCUE ASSET  
IDENTIFICATION PROCESS



**STEP 4:**  
COORDINATION &  
CONTROL SAR OPS



**STEP 5:**  
PLACE OF SAFETY  
COORDINATION ACTIVITY



**STEP 6:**  
HARBOR DISEMBARKATION  
COORDINATION



Active identification/  
coordination loop

Information dissemination process

**IMRCC  
ROME**

IS THE **1<sup>ST</sup>** INFORMATION PROVIDER

HAS THE **MOST COMPLETE** SAR MARITIME PICTURE

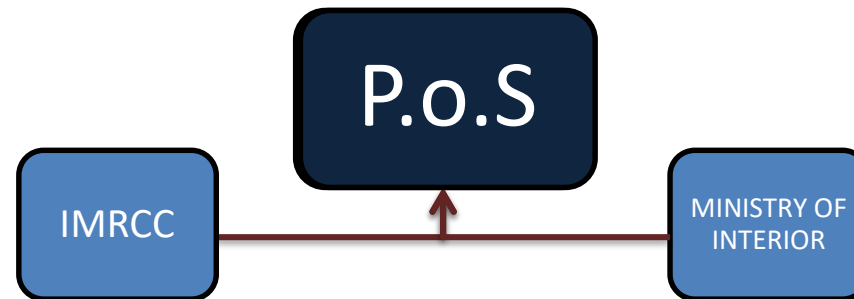
CAN **"OPENLY"** CONTACT ALL COUNTRIES/INSTITUTIONS/ASSETS OR PERSONS INVOLVED



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# PLACE OF SAFETY

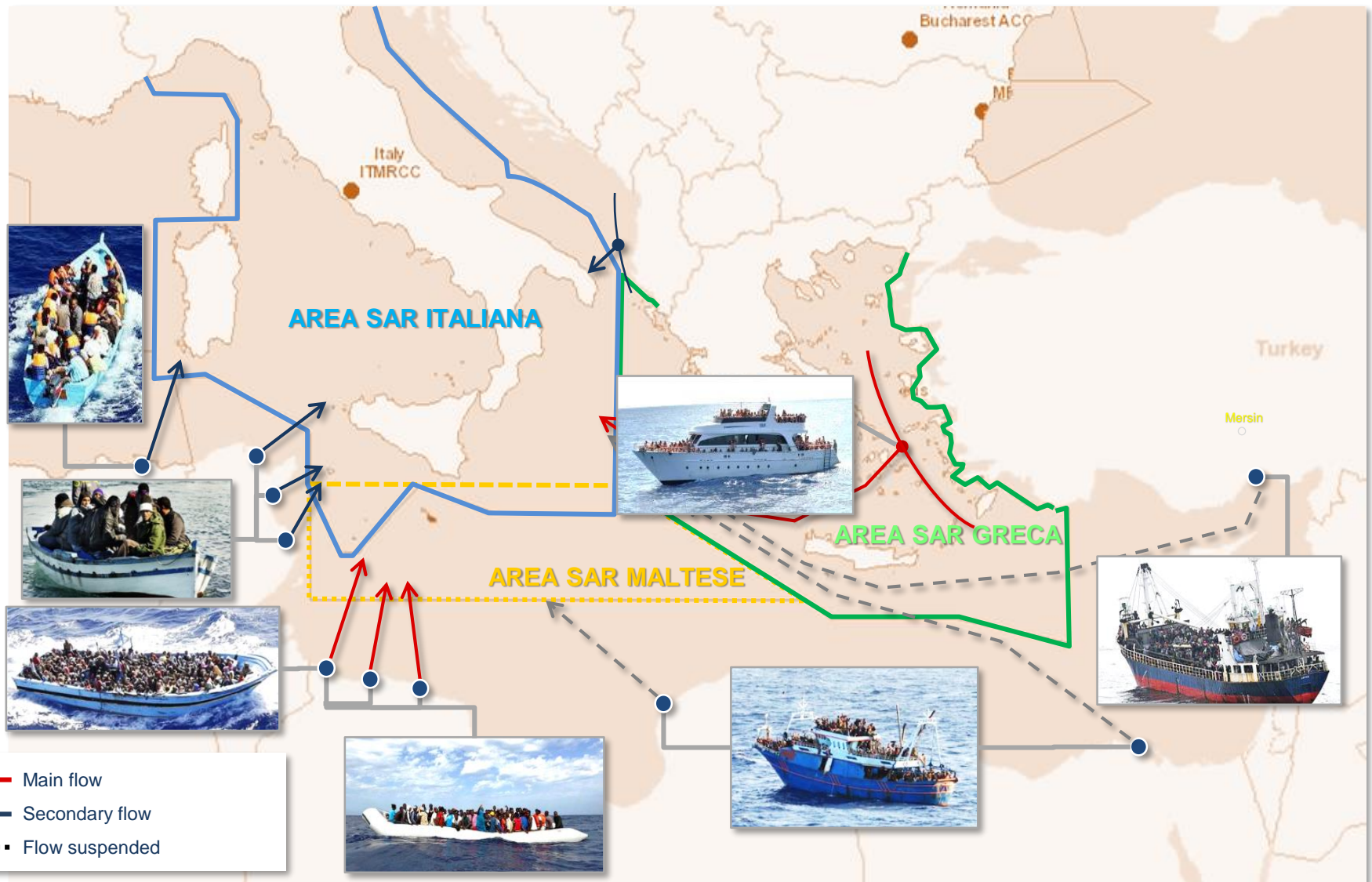
S.A.R. operations end only after disembarkation in a Place of Safety (P.O.S.).



A suitable P.O.S. in Italy is identified by IMRCC in coordination with Ministry of Interior

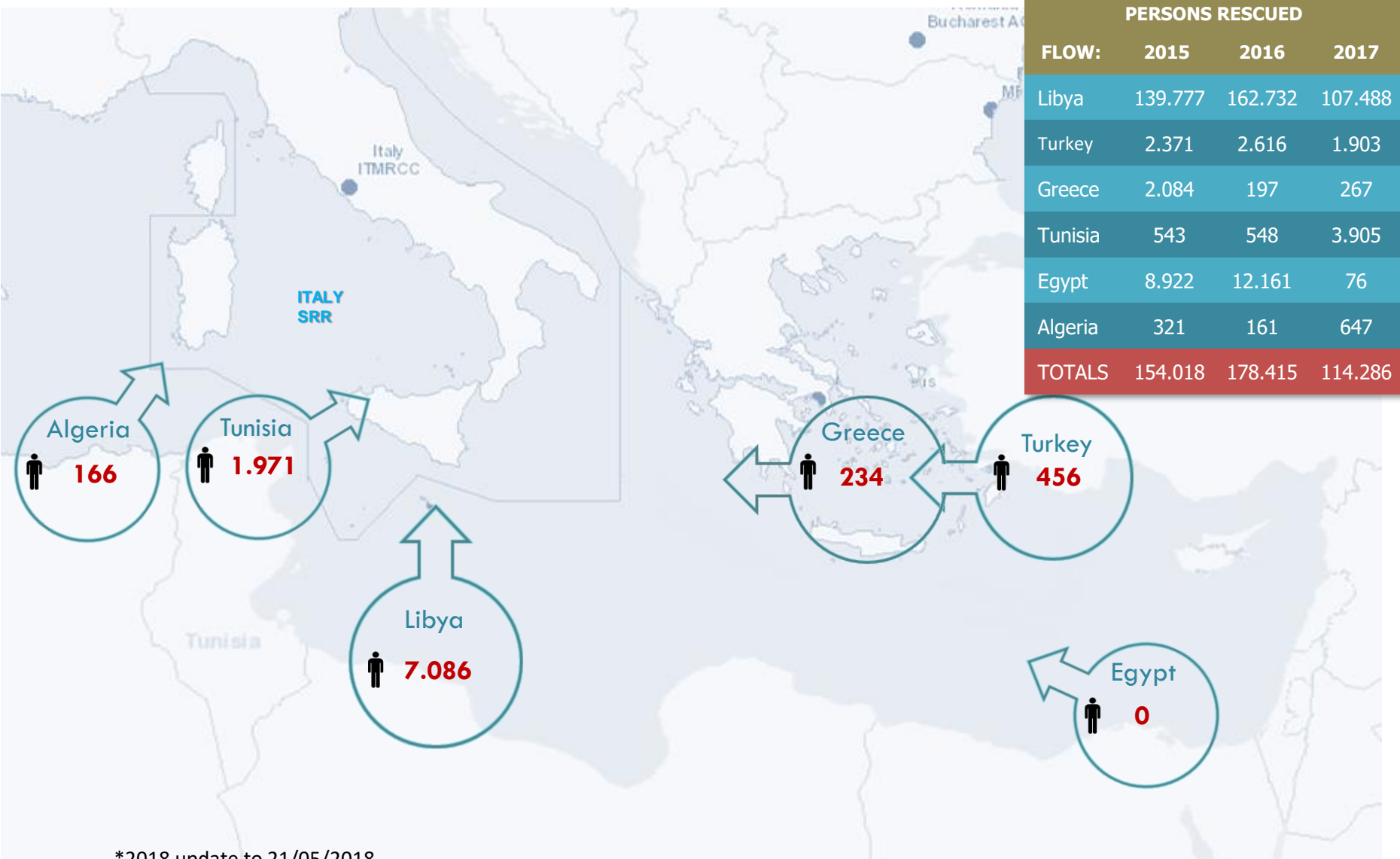


# ROUTE ANALYSIS





# MIGRATION FLOW OVERVIEW 2018\*

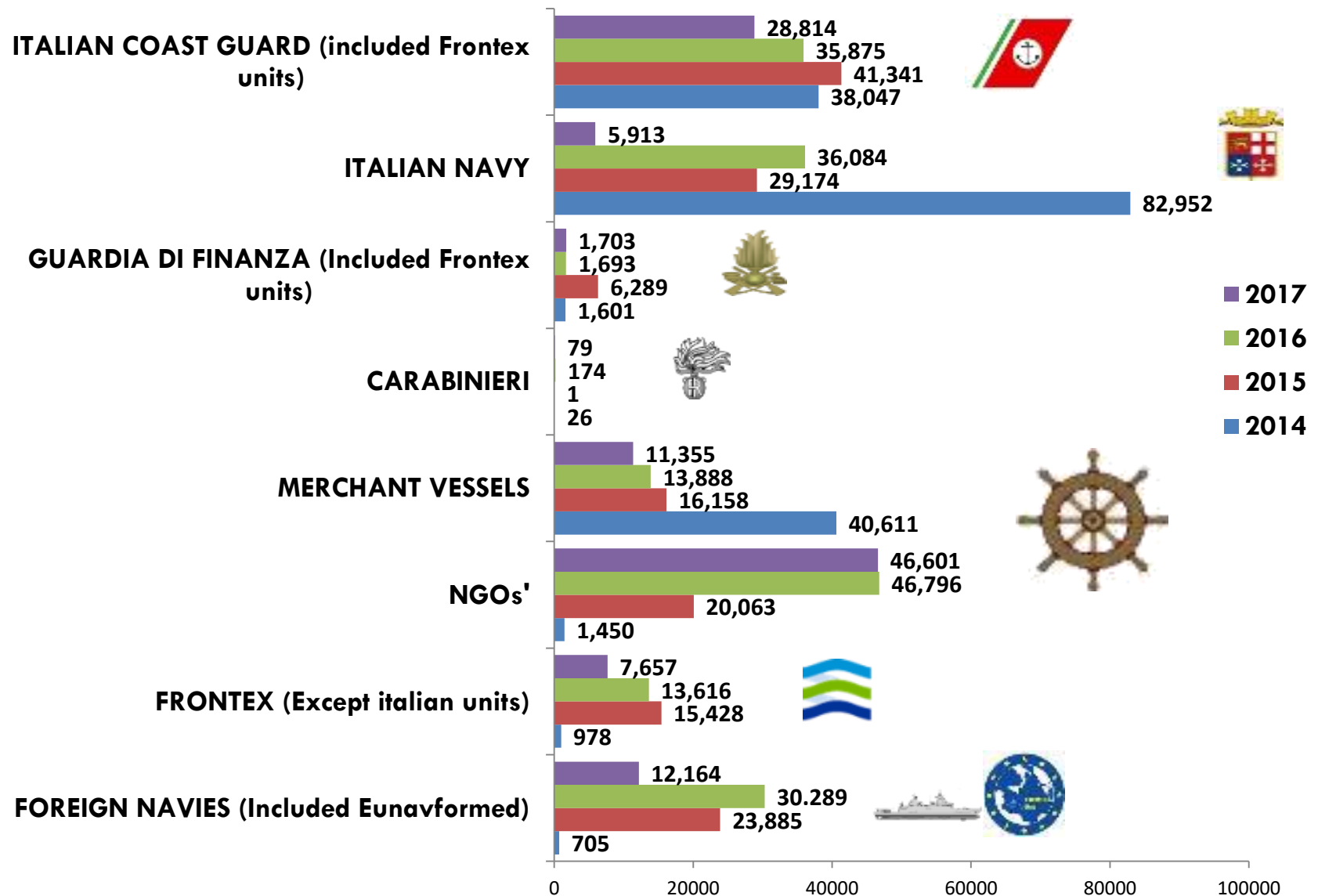


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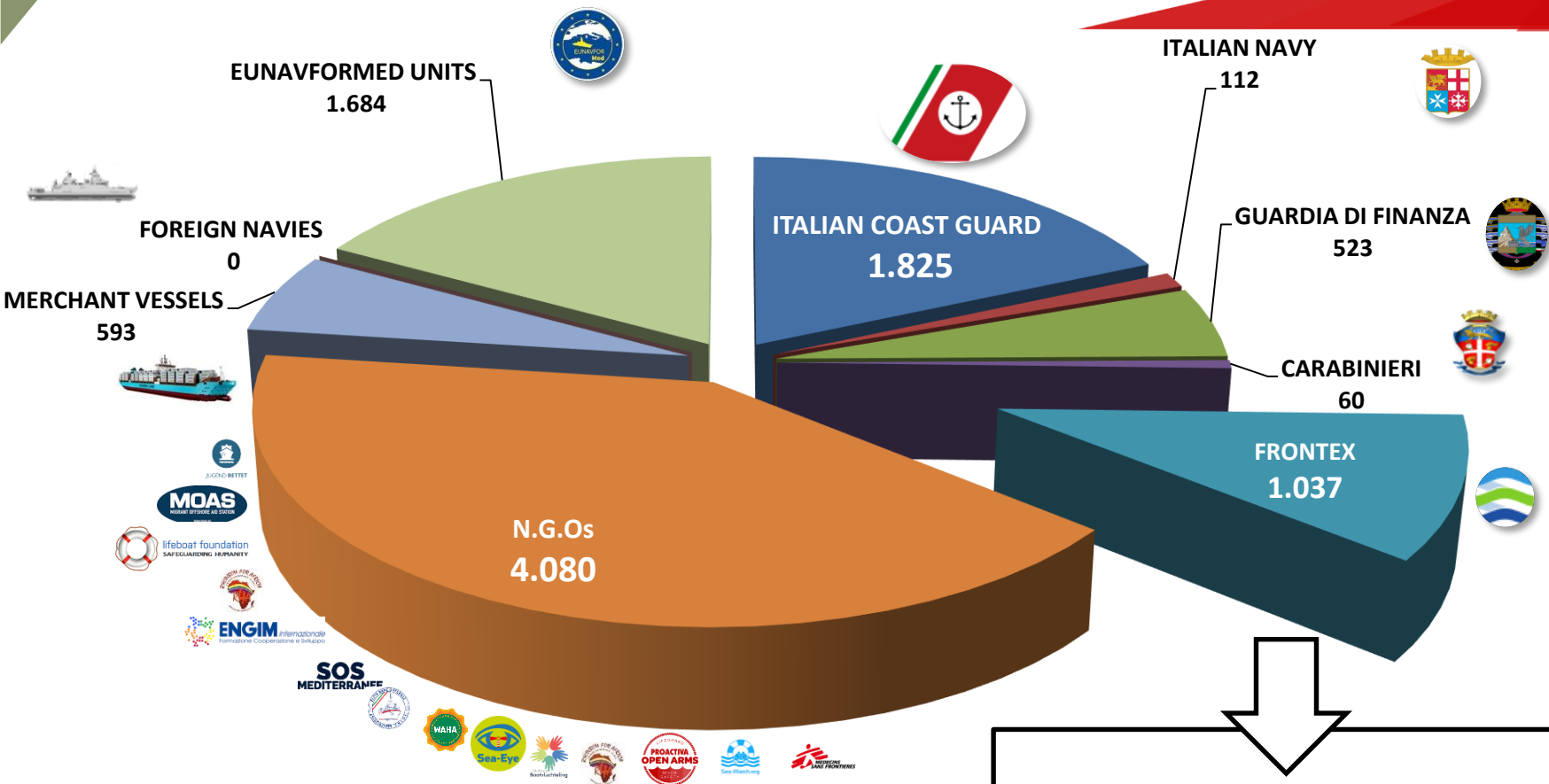


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# S.A.R. STATISTICS 2014 - 2017



# S.A.R. STATISTICS 2018\*



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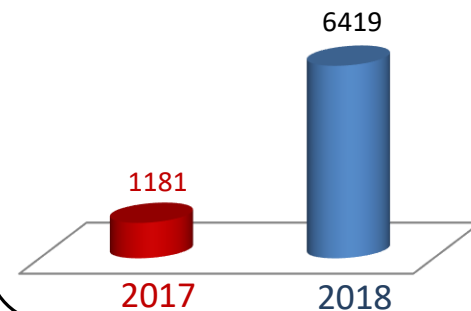
# LIBYAN SEARCH AND RESCUE REGION

## SIGNATORY

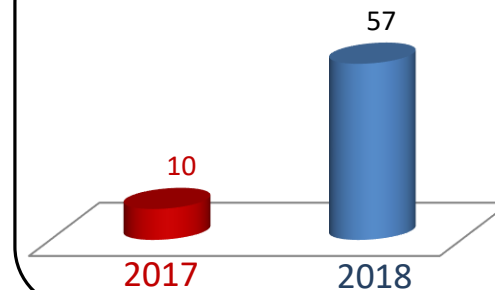


## Operations by Lybian Navy Coast Guard REFERENCE PERIOD 1 JAN-15 MAY

### PERSONS RESCUED



### VESSELS



Source: Lybian Navy Coast Guard



# ITCG BORDER SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITY

## NATIONAL FRAMEWORK

JUDICIAL ANTI-MAFIA & ANTI-TERRORISM SPECIAL DEPARTMENT

POLICE ANTI-CRIME CENTRAL DEPARTMENT

TERRITORIAL JUDICIAL AUTHORITY

SIRACUSA PROSECUTOR INVESTIGATION SUPPORT TEAM (G.I.C.I.C.)

JUDICIAL AUTHORITY



«NOT ONLY S.A.R.»

## INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

INTERPOL



EUROPOL



FRONTEX – NCC ROMA



EUROPEAN UNION REGIONAL TASK FORCE



FRONTEX – ICC ROMA



STRATEGIC LEVEL

OPERATIONAL LEVEL



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# OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

## ON SEA



APPROACHING THE TARGET

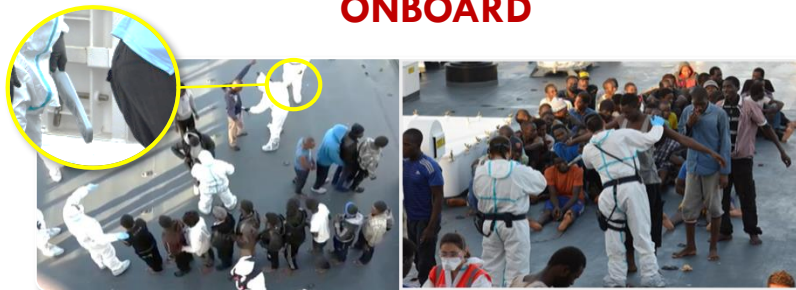


BOARDING OPERATORS

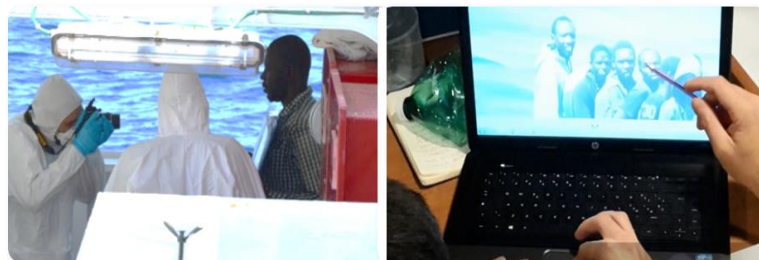


COACHING TARGET AND RECOVERY MIGRANTS

## ONBOARD



PERSONAL INSPECTION CONTROL



MUG-SHOT, JUDICIAL INTERVIEW  
AND IMAGERY CROSS-MATCHING



TECHNICAL ANALYSIS



# SAR OPs

## *investigation*

### ANALYSIS

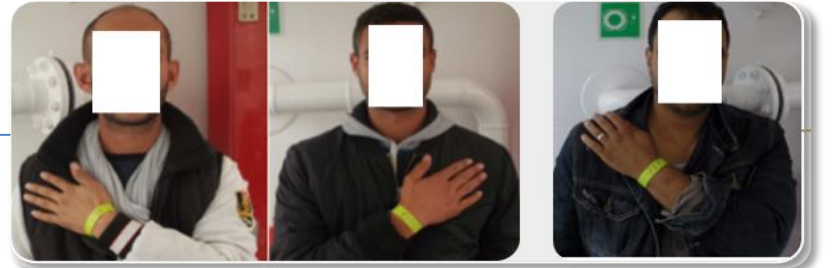


### ANALYSIS

#### PERSONAL EFFECTS AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES



### SUSPICIOUS IDENTIFICATION



### ACTIVITY DEVELOPMENT

#### JUDICIAL POLICE

### SHARING INFORMATION BY MEANS EXPECTED FORMATS



# ITCG COUNTER MIGRANT SMUGGLING ACTIVITY

## SPECIAL INVESTIGATION UNIT – COMPLEX ACTIVITY

2015 – Operation «**Code M**»:

**Target:** Eritrean smuggling criminal gang operating in Rome, Ravenna and Sicily.

**Criminal Network:**



**Results:**

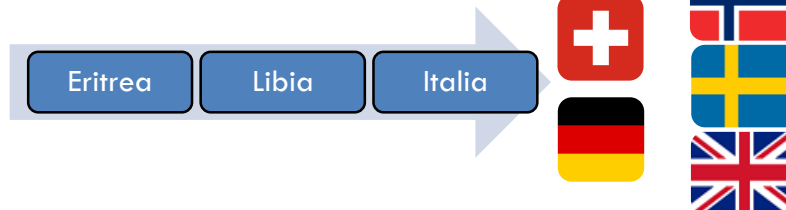
5 people condemned overall at more than 26 years of imprisonment (sentence Rome Prosecutor June 2015);



2016 – Operation «**AGAISH**»:

**Target:** Transnational Eritrean smuggling criminal gang operating in Rome, Switzerland, Germany, Norway, Sweden, U.K.

**Criminal Network:**



**Results:**

16 people arrested;





# ITCG COUNTER MIGRANT SMUGGLING ACTIVITY (YEAR 2017)

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ITALIAN COAST GUARD NAVAL ASSETS:  
suspected smugglers detected on board of ITCG SHIPS and arrested, also in cooperation with other police forces after disembarkment.

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ITALIAN COAST GUARD TERRITORIAL COMMANDS:  
Judicial measures adopted following investigations of the ITCG territorial commands, also in cooperation with other police forces after disembarkment.

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SPECIAL ITCG UNIT (NSI) ACTIVITY:  
Judicial measures adopted.



# POSSIBLY WAYS AHEAD

*Solution is NOT at sea  
It is ON LAND!*

**Some steps for a comprehensive approach to curb the flow :**

- International and EU cooperation in SAR ops and managing of the persons recovered (**burden sharing**)
- Political and social STABILIZATION IN LIBYA
- Reasonable LEGAL WAYS for migrants
- COOPERATION WITH TRANSIT COUNTRIES
- DISRUPT THE trans-African CRIMINAL NETWORK (trafficking on human beings, prostitution, organ smuggling, black work and other illegal activities in Africa and EU)
- TACKLE “PUSH FACTORS” IN COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN (**NEED TO FIND SOLUTIONS NOW FOR TOMORROW!**)

Major transit Countries:

- Western Africa flow → Niger (Agadez)
- Eastern African flow → Sudan (Khartoum)

