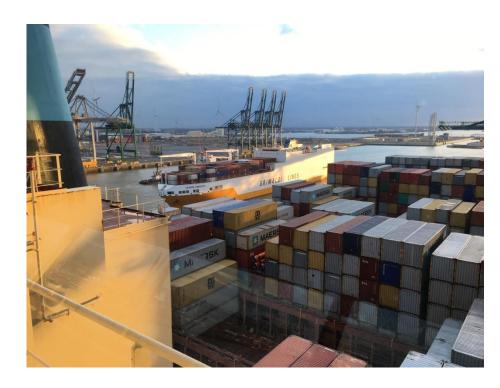


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1. Dutch Pilots River Schelde

- 160 Dutch Pilots
 - 125 sea-river pilots (from sea to Antwerp locks, quays and all (Dutch) ports and terminals along the river)
 - 35 sea-canal pilots (from sea to Terneuzen-Ghent canal and all it's ports and quays).
- Yearly 32.500 vessels (Scheldevaarders) to Antwerp/Ghent (under Scheldt treaty)
 - Dutch Pilots: 27,5% (ca. 9.000 vessels)
- Yearly 10.500 Wetschepen to Vlissingen and Terneuzen (Dutch law)



1. Dutch Pilots on River Schelde



2. SNMS & SNMS-Lite history

SNMS= Schelde Navigator Marginal Ships (from 2003)

- Software Qastor, Full Docking Licence
- o Fall 2003-2005, prototype with Marimatech Antenna's
- o Fall 2005-2011, working to specs 5x **ADX** units (development from 2004)
- From fall 2011- now, 8x ADX-XR (some minor upgrades to wifi range)
- From fall 2015-now 1x ADX-XM (DUKC, full motion research unit!)
- From 2016-now, 4x ADX-DUO (2017 updated to long WIFI range, Docking Lite)

SNMS-Lite= 'Lite software version' used with AIS Pilot Plug connector (from 2001)

- Software Qastor, Lite licence
- 2003-AIS Pilot Plug Connector (since 2015, 3rd version, type ADNav ADQ2 with ROT sensor)
- 2006-VTS image (radar-AIS image from VTS)

The evolution of the 'tools' are user driven by the pilots in close cooperation with QPS and AD Navigation







Prototype testing in Terneuzen, 2003



3. Original design not for Antwerp!

• Fall 2003: First units designed for lock approach in Terneuzen with Panamax Bulk carriers and Cape size Bulk carriers and Tankers in Flushing.

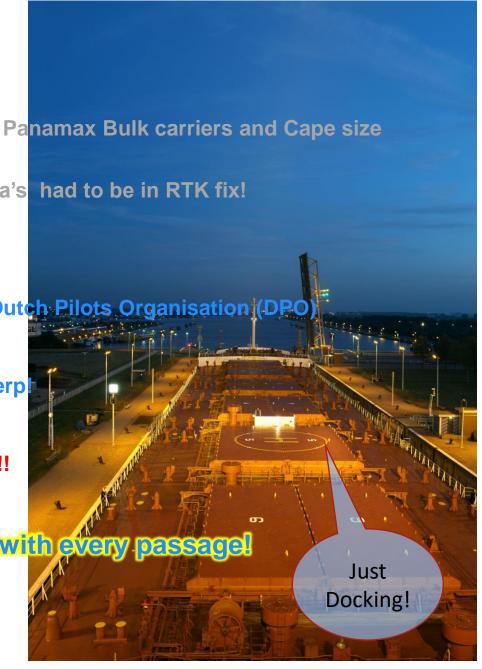
Units were unstable and not performing to their specs! Two antenna's had to be in RTK fix!

Fall 2005 the first ADX units performing to spec were delivered to Dutch Pilots Organisation (DPC)

Fall 2006 we started testing/using the first generation ADX in Antwerp!

From 2006 Traffic of large ships on the river increased enormously!!

From 2009 the first ULCC's arrived in Antwerp. ADX obligatory with every passage!





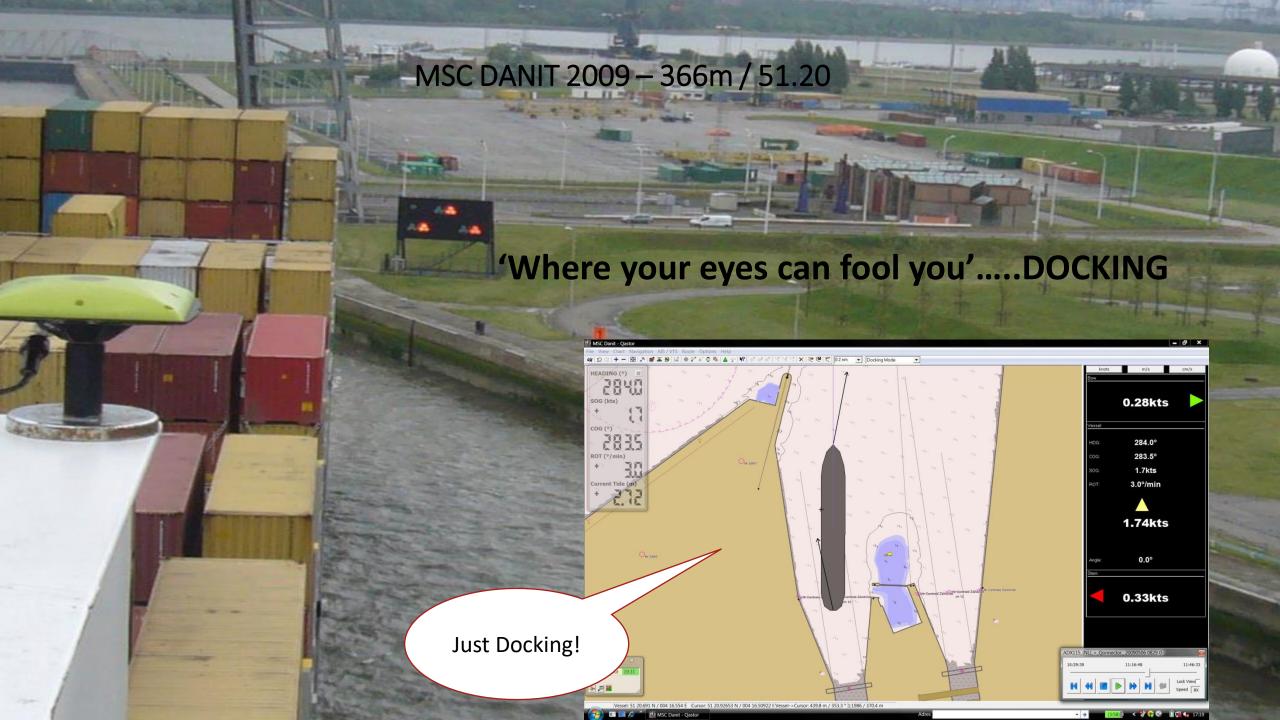
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'Not only Docking is a demanding job, navigating a ULCC on the river (and meeting them) is a different ball game now..."









4. ISPO-Certified Region River Scheldt since 2014

Scheldemonden ISPO Handbook:

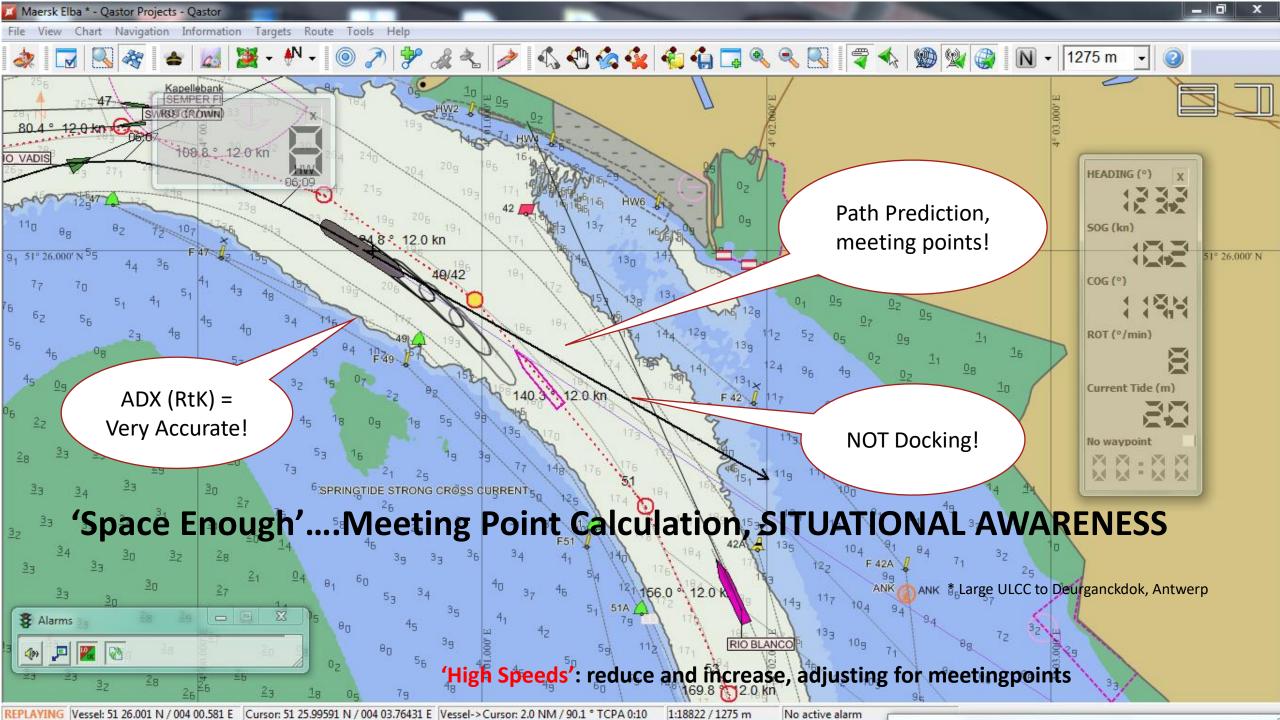
Chapter 4 Aid to Navigation, based on experience with soft- and hardware used by pilots since 2001/2003

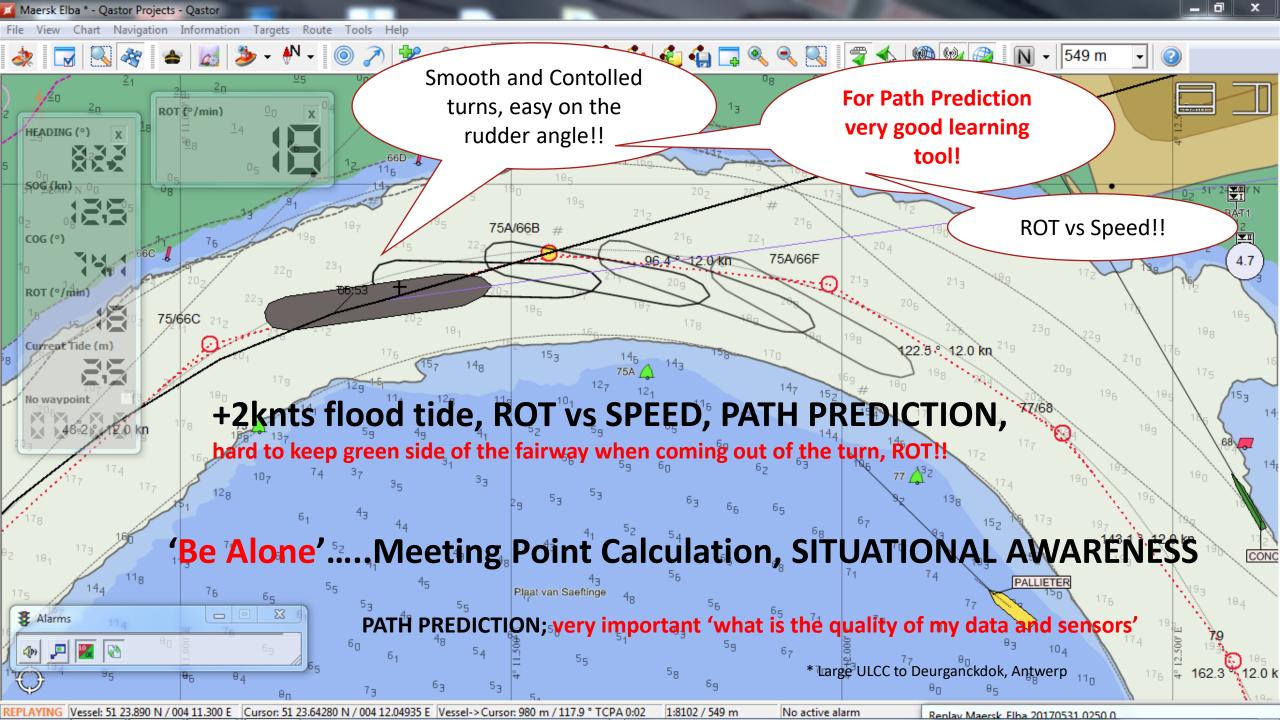
- 4.1 Pilot always has 'checked and good working tools'
- 4.1 References: ISPO handbook 7.5 PPU, ISM chapter7, 2.14 and chapter 3, 3.3, internal paper on use of Qastor-Lite
- 4.1 Process: aid to build, check and add to situational awareness of the pilot, manual.
- 4.2 SNMS-Lite: ENC availability and updating
- 4.2 SNMS-Lite: Hard- and Software support, reporting and feedback on system malfunction (pilot vs ICT)
- 4.2 SNMS: ENC availability and updating
- 4.2 SNMS: System maintenance

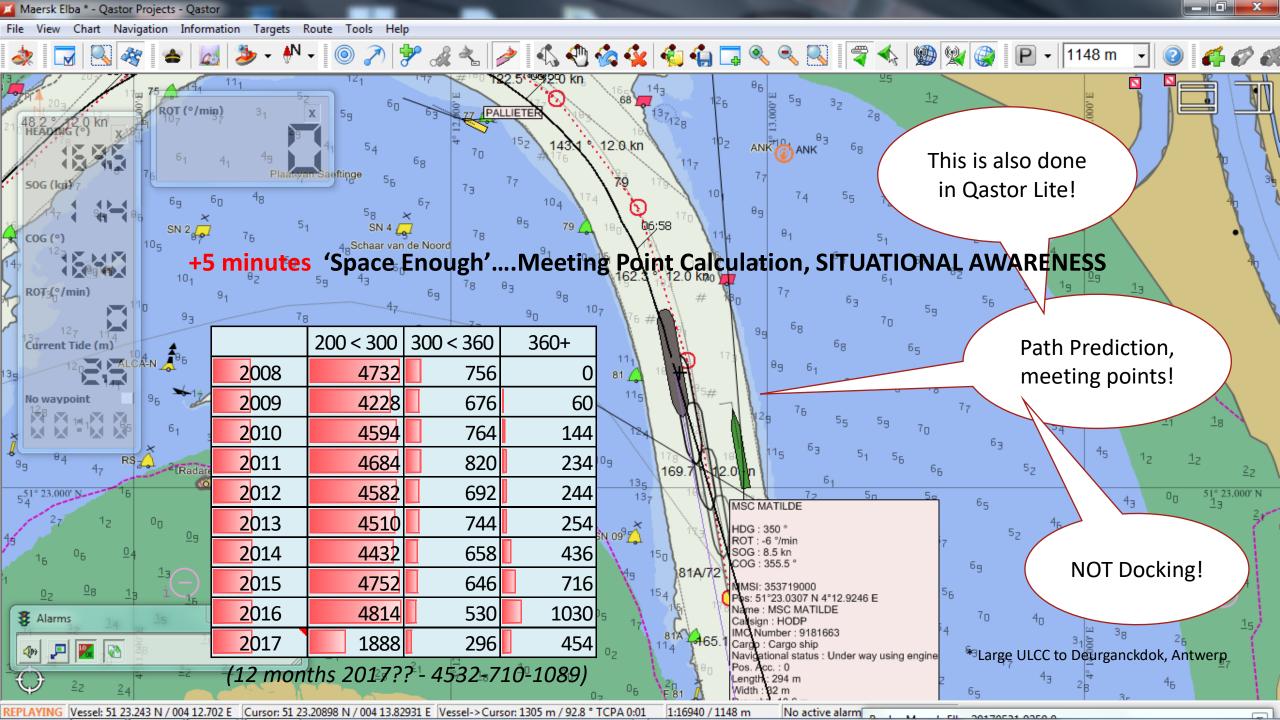
Regional ENC's are very good! Support and cooperation is near perfect!

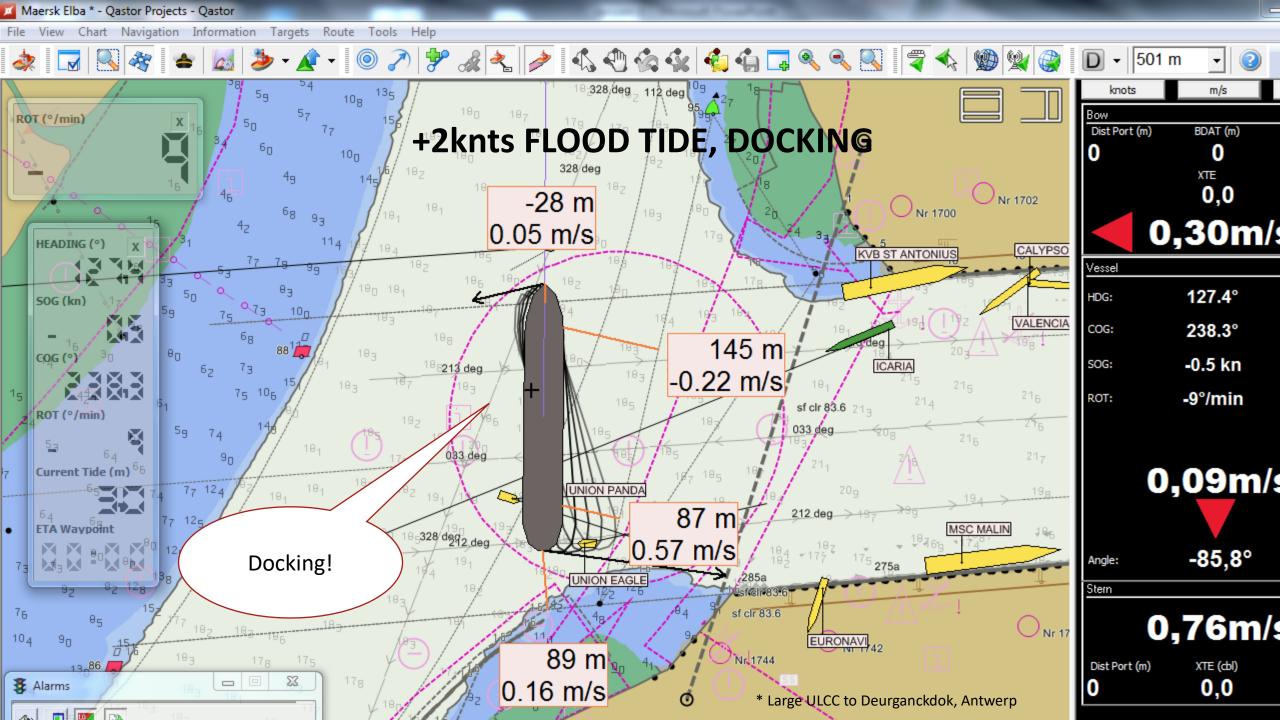
Updating can be a little better!

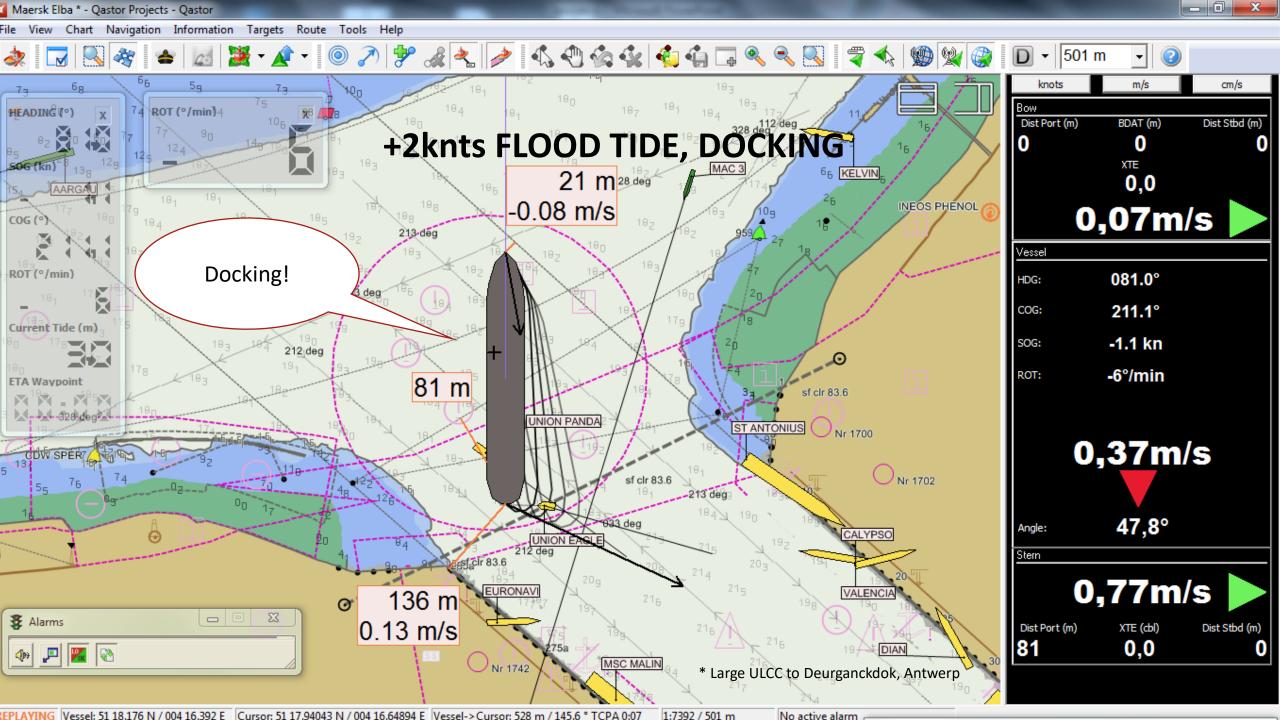
4.2 SNMS: Hard- and Software support, reporting and feedback on system malfunction (pilot vs ICT)



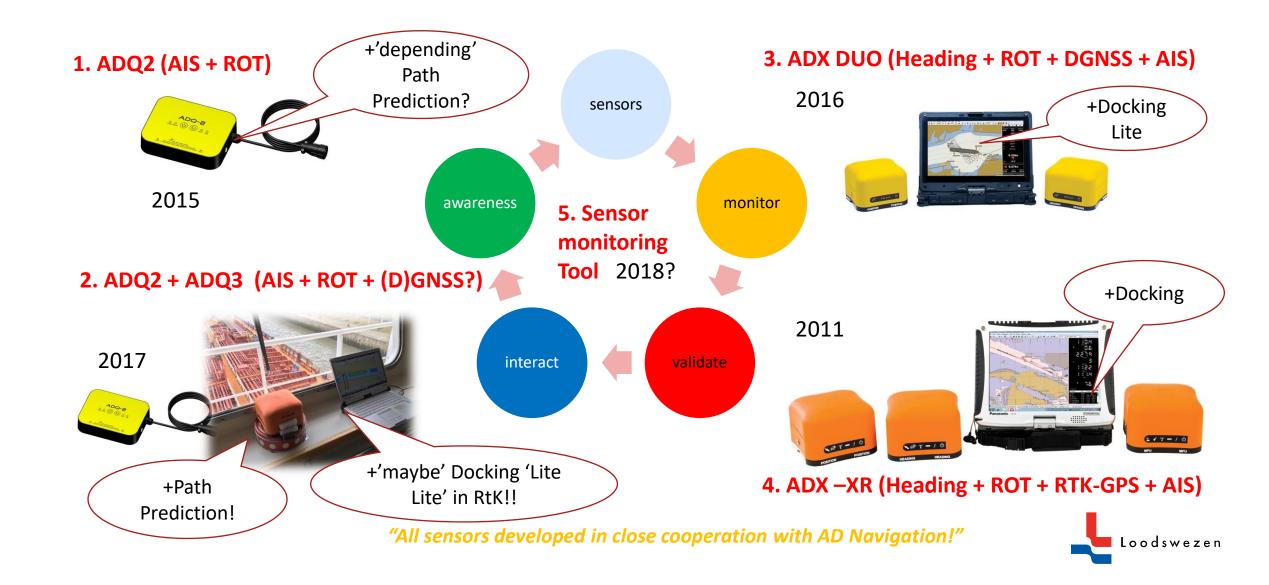








5. New Sensors..... ('and Sensor Monitoring to be developed!')



6. Guidelines and Additional Information to the ISPO 7, Pilot Operations 7.5, Portable Pilot Unit (PPU)

7.5 Portable Pilot Unit (PPU)

Training on the Job

7.5.a The pilot organisation should establish and maintain procedures for the safe usage of PPU systems during the pilotage passage. These procedures should take into consideration - but should not be restricted to – the following:

- Maritime pilot training, qualification and complementary certification scheme;
- Operation and utilisation
- Harmonisation and integration of VTS/VTM port base system
- Alarms, failures and effects
- Maintenance and repairs
- System test and acceptance protocols
- Updating software

Awareness! Sensor

Monitoring!!

Optimize Design!

System Monitoring!



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7.5.b The PPU should at all times be considered as a computer based specific system for the maritime pilot and an aid for the maritime pilot when carrying out his work at the pilotage passage.

7.5.c Where it is determined that a PPU should be used during a pilotage passage, a training program should be established to ensure that maritime pilots are trained, qualified and/or certified in its use.

This training program should also include a contingency plan dealing with equipment failure and replacement of PPU

systems.

Design clever equipment /monitoring and connect to the user! Know and separate user failure from equipement failure!

The particular PPU systems adopted and in use by a pilot organization should be as uniform as possible in order to

improve standardisation of equipment, training and procedures in a consistent way.



Training on the Job!

Design together with manufacturer!!!

Use specific range of sensors and one piece of software

Awareness!

Guidelines and Additional Information to the ISPO 7, Pilot Operations 7.5 Portable Pilot Unit (PPU)

7.5.d In spite of the absence of specific regulatory requirements, industry standard and/or guidelines the pilot organization should check the quality assurance system of the manufacturer and/or data supplier of the maritime pilot computer based specific systems in use. This check by the pilot organization does not take away the responsibility of the manufacturer or data supplier. Checking the PPU system in use should take the following in consideration:



Special attention must be given to the establishment of the necessary procedures in order to take care of checks for maintenance, repairs, testing, up-dating of hard- and software and/or data. The pilot organisation should establish a planned maintenance system for periodic and scheduled maintenance checks with logs of usage and faults/failures.



7. So what's my point? Were is the improvement?

ADX-XR & Qastor (+infrastructure) works great for Docking, 'no discussion here'!

<u>ISPO</u>

Instruction / Training ('classroom') OK

Functionality & Portability OK

Availability OK

Maintainability OK

IMPROVEMENT

User Awareness improvement

'Learning on the Job' improvement

User errors improvement

Hardware remote support /control improvement

Reporting improvement

risk: 'training by ourselves afterwards'?

risk: keep evolving! evolve: monitor technologies!

risk: 'units charged and working'?

risk: 'no hidden errors'? Is the 'user failure' known?

add: 'not just alarm', tell the user 'what's wrong'...

add: gradual evolution using different sensors

fact: EXPERIENCE has to be rather thorough now!

evolve: analyse and support 'on the job'

fact: if the user doesn't report, we don't know!

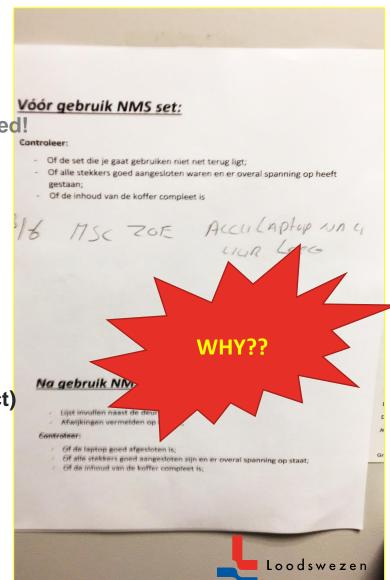
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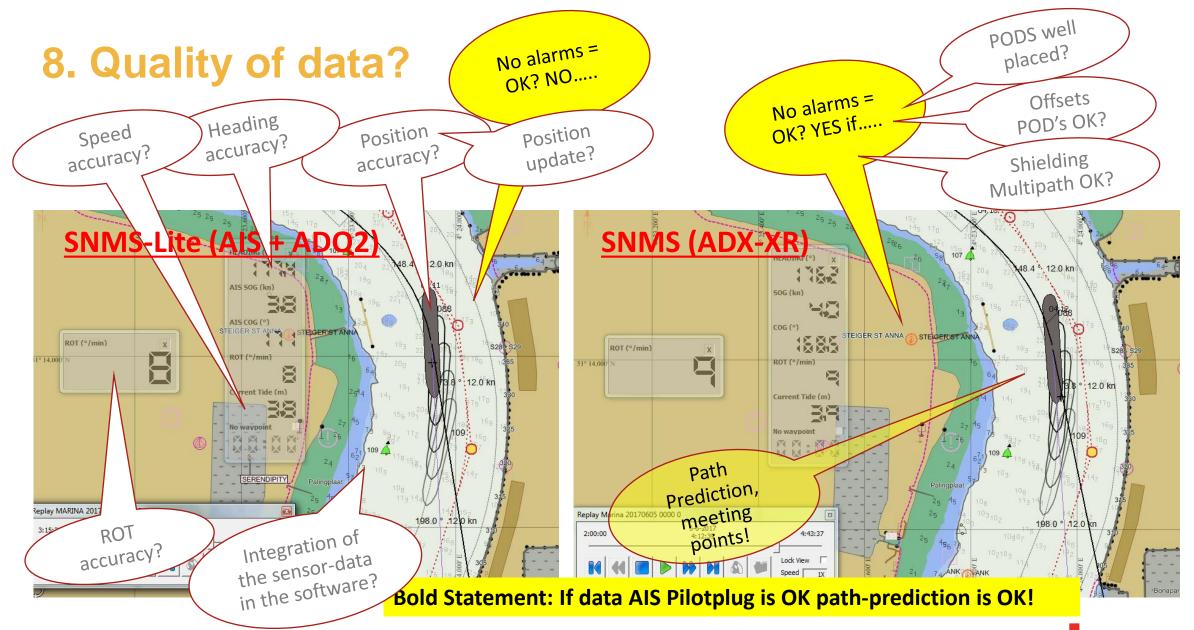
- Very Experienced user has a near complete tool now!
- Punctual user will report issues and ask for explanation or feedback!
- Self-conscious user will also use the equipment to become more experienced!
- Punctual is what you are and Experienced is what you 'can' become....
- The 'first' is just not very common and the 'second takes time'...

So?

- Hard- and software should be designed to interact with the user!
- Quality of data should be known by the user! (I want to focus on this subject)







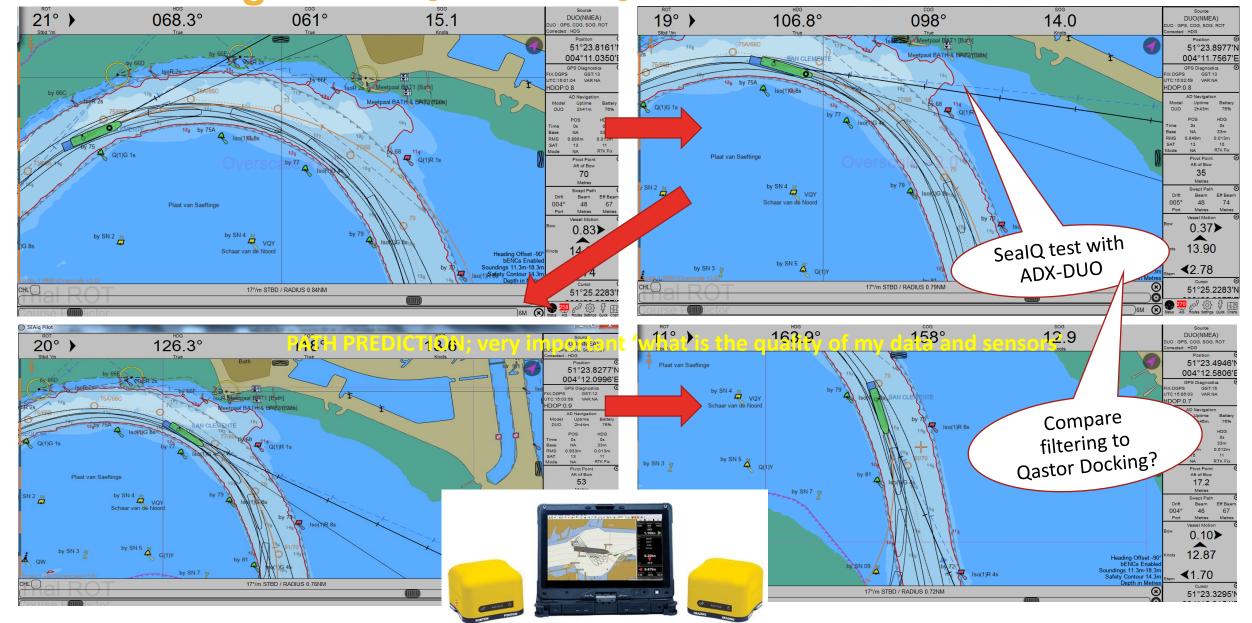
^{* 240}mtr cruise ship to Scheldekaai, Antwerp



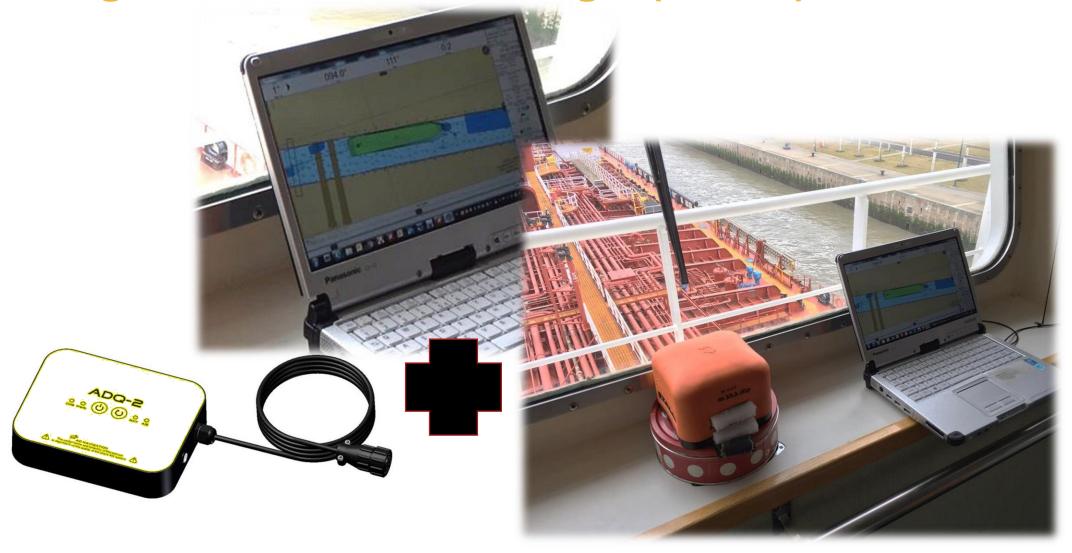
9. Sensor Monitoring Tool..... will increase knowledge and awareness!

- Tool to analyse and validate data from sensors! (Offline analyses for support department!)
- Interactive alarm and information for user about his data quality and sensors!
- Tool will recognise sensor and optimise software settings!
- Tool to serve as intermediate between sensors and software, always 'optimal protocol and message (mixed sensors) to software'!
- **Developed** in conjunction with sensor manufacturer and PPU software builder!
- Antenna offset input, monitoring and offset errors by mixed sensor validation (if possible).
- ADQ2, ADQ2+ADQ3, validate and analyse data from sensors to inform users about the quality, failure and faults!
- ADX-XR and ADX-DUO, track and monitor use of unit to pilot and ship. Online analyses for support department!
- <u>ADX-XR</u> will give warnings about 'user failure', 'system failure', 'accuracy'and 'issues outside influence of user and ADX' etc. (Due to existing data-connection with shore servers for RtK (LinQup) and possible separate data connection on laptop or smart phone of user, very clever analyses is possible!) Tool can monitor and could report system and user failure, to maintenance and support department.
- <u>ADX-DUO</u> will give warnings about 'user failure', 'system failure', 'accuracy'and 'issues outside influence of user and ADX' etc. Tool will monitor and could report system and user failure, to maintenance and support department if network connection is present on device.

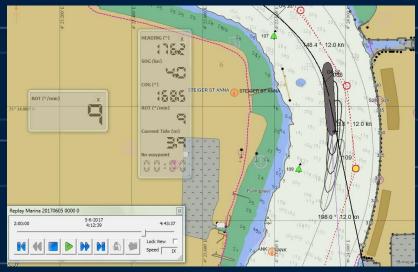
10. Testing..... "Filtering in Qastor Docking could to be an issue with modern receivers!"



Testing ADQ3, standalone single (indoor) GPS receiver







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