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Type of facility TOWING TANK	Year constructed/upgraded 1979	
Name of facility SHALLOW WATER TOWING TANK	Location (if different from the above address)	
Main characteristics (dimensions of tank/basin/test section; for simulators: full mission, part task or desk top) Length – 200 m Width - 16 m Depth - up to 1.5 m		
Drawings of facility Top-view plan Corss-section-view plan		

Detailed characteristics (carriages, wave/current/wind generators, instrumentations, etc.)

Max. carriage speed - 6 m/s ,acceleration – 0.5 m/s² and PC controlled drive system with 0.0025 m/s accuracy
High Precision PC controlled motor drive systems for propellers and oscillator units

Instrumentation:

Towing apparatus for resistance and propulsion tests in calm water, type UB – 5A

Unit for effective model wake field investigations, type M1115

Large Amplitude Horizontal Planar Motion Mechanism

Open water propeller dynamometers, type H49/H29

Six-component balance with POD Dynamometers

QUALISYS Optical Motion Capture System

Unit for model wave pattern investigations with various types of wave probes

Set of force dynamometers

Dynamometers for measuring of CP propeller blade torque

Propeller dynamometers for ship models

Instrumentation Amplifiers with Filters

Measuring System - PC with NI Multifunctional DAQ Cards and Data Acquisition software based on LabView

Video System for underwater flow observation

Cameras for High Quality Video and Photo Documentation of the Experiments

Applications (Tests performed)

- Resistance tests on vessels and floating bodies in restricted water
- Self-propulsion tests
- Flow visualization
- Ship trim optimization tests
- Wakefield measurements
- Non-conventional propulsion, incl. water jets
- Hydrodynamics of barges, tug boats, river ships, push trains etc. vessels for inland navigation
- Restricted fairway effects

Published description (Publications on this facility)

1. BSHC Brochure, last edition 2014
2. Proceedings of the Scientific Session dedicated to the 40-th Anniversary of BSHC, October 2016