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In general the ITCG Vessel Traffic Management and Information System,- in compliance with national and international laws, directives and regulations that integrates and interconnects as a wide IT environment AIS, VTS, MRS, NAVTEX, Port Management and Information System – National Single Window to ensure a safe and secure data management concerning main ITCG functions ranging from marine environment protection, traffic management, law enforcement, port efficiency and security at sea, focusing to enhancing the safety of maritime traffic - is up and running.

After the entry into operation of MOSE system (the mobile barriers engineered to protect Venice from high tides, located at the three entrances of the lagoon) on July 10th , the ITCG Venice harbormaster issued new traffic management procedures result of a long period of studies and consultation with all the public and private local stakeholders, in order to regulate maritime traffic safely and efficiently.

All Venice harbour vessel traffic monitoring systems, in particular VTS, supports the data management, communications automation and traffic decision optimization, ensuring the network's goal to assist shipping industry dealing with MOSE impact, providing accurate on-line information.