

JANUARY-MARCH TRAINING CALENDAR ORGANISED IN FAVOUR OF EU MEMBER STATES

Three training sessions were organised for the benefit of EU Member States during the period January to March 2010. All activities were held at EMSA in Lisbon and were attended by delegates from EU Member States, Iceland and Norway. The activities included a training session on "EU maritime legislation for newcomers" and two basic training sessions for accident investigators.



Lisbon, 25th February 2010 – Group photo of attendees of the "EU maritime legislation for newcomers" training session

"EU maritime legislation for newcomers" is one of the most appreciated training sessions organised by EMSA. Initially intended for newcomers to the maritime administrations, in the process of becoming acquainted with European maritime safety legislation, because of the general overview it offers, the training session has also appealed to more experienced staff wishing to broaden their knowledge.

The two training sessions on "Basic training for accident investigators" were attended by 23 investigators from the marine accidents investigative bodies of the MSs. The aim of the training was to provide the participants with the basic knowledge to conduct a marine safety investigation according to the provisions of Directive 2009/18/EC adopted on the 23rd April 2009.

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Focussing on the human element. The plan addresses the training needs expressed by the focal points of the Consultative Network for Technical Assistance (CNTA) and includes training sessions on safety and working and living conditions of seafarers.

1. Training on ISM Code – Train the trainer (12-16 April)
2. Training on working and living conditions of seafarers – MLC (19-21 April)
3. Training on the third maritime package (4-6 May)
4. Training on monitoring of ROs by Flag States (1-2 June)
5. Training on EU maritime legislation for newcomers in favour of Greece and Cyprus (15-18 June)

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Four activities were organised for the benefit of candidate and potential candidate countries. An Info-Day on EMSA's activities was organised in Istanbul and attended by 60 officials from various Turkish Ministries, shipowners, classification societies, companies and other maritime safety stakeholders. The meeting was hosted by the Turkish Chamber of Shipping and constituted an important event for the country which has a huge interest in maritime transport because of the length of coastline and fleet size. Two one-and-a-half day training sessions on Flag State implementation were organised in Zagreb and Durres in favour of the Croatian, Montenegrin and Albanian maritime administrations. The training sessions focussed on the role of the Flag States and Recognised Organisations (ROs), the monitoring of ROs by the Flag State and the IMO Voluntary Audit Scheme.



Istanbul, 20th January 2010 – Mr. Cemalettin Sevli, Regional director of the Turkish maritime administration with the Agency's representatives closing the "Info-day on EMSA activities"

On 16-18 March, a training session on the Maritime Labour convention, 2006 was organised at EMSA. The specific aim of the session was to introduce the main content of the convention, which has revised 37 existing ILO conventions concerning seafarers' working and living conditions and is expected to enter into force by 2012.

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The plan for the second quarter of 2010 in favour of the candidate and potential candidate countries focuses on the general training on EU maritime legislation.

1. Training on EU maritime legislation for newcomers (26-29 April)
2. Tutoring project in favour of the Montenegrin maritime administration (26-28 May)

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