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THE PROJECT

Supported under EU development programme, PraC-MARENG project “PRActical and Communication based MARitime ENGLISH” will aim to improve seafarers’ understanding of Maritime English, in order to reduce the number of onboard accidents caused by poor communication. Development of the e-learning course will take two years with the effective training courses.

The multi-national training programme is designed to enhance seafarers’ understanding and practice of English as 40% of maritime accidents are linked to inadequate understanding between seafarers on board the same ship and unsatisfactory standards of communication between crews and shore stations.

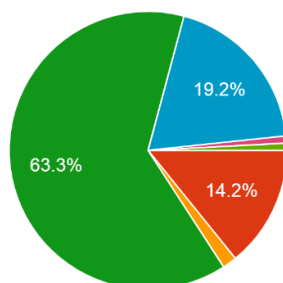
PROGRESS

Project consortium worked hard to implement the actions set during the kick off meeting. Due to covid-19 break out, it was decided that the second partner meeting which was supposed to take place in Lithuania in May 2020 to be organised online. Therefore, the second partner meeting took place via a teleconference which was followed by monthly meetings in order to review the work conducted by partners.

SMCP based platform frames have been drafted taking into account the IMO 3.17 model course. Findings from the questionnaire were studied to develop the aforementioned structure. A report was produced based on a **questionnaire** conducted under PraC-MARENG project to identify the common communication scenarios on board as well as to identify best practices in learning Maritime English on board. It contained a set of questions addressed to seafarers with various ranks. The questionnaire focused on looking at the view of the target groups on the deficiencies in communicative skills of seafarers as well as to identify problem areas in the maritime context.

Q1) What is your nationality?

120 responses



- France
- Lithuania
- Moldova
- Romania
- Slovenia
- Turkey
- Netherlands
- Poland

The report was produced based on the outcome of the questionnaire’s results, and will be used as a base for the development of the SMCP Based Maritime English Learning Platform. This questionnaire was sent to all related target groups and 120 responses were received. Many more responses could have been received however; the ongoing pandemic affecting lives across the world had some negative impact. In parallel, each partner reviewed the method of delivery of such education and training systems in the Maritime English Context and looked into accidents and their incidence related to communication failures in their country.



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ABOUT US

The Prac-MARENG project consortium consists of the following organisations:

LAM France (www.lam-world.com), a global transport solution provider, is involved as a coordinator in the project.

MARITIME INNOVATORS, a project, training and consulting company in the maritime industry, (www.maritimeinnovators.com) from Turkey,

Tuzla Kaymaklığı (District Governorship) (www.tuzla.gov.tr) having an extensive experience on project management, implementation and dissemination from Istanbul, Turkey,

Constanta Maritime University (www.cmu-edu.eu), a higher education and research institution, from Romania,

Spinaker (www.spinaker.si), the largest Slovenian maritime VET and adult education provider and an IT company,

Lithuanian Maritime Academy (www.lajm.lt), an accredited public institution of professional higher education training for highly qualified seafarers and other specialists for the maritime industry from Klaipeda, Lithuania

are involved as partners in the Prac-MARENG consortium.



A copy of each publication can be accessed through the news section on the project's site. Additionally, a project flyer and some other dissemination materials can be downloaded from our site.

More about the project:
www.prac-mareng.com



WEB PLATFORM

A web platform (www.prac-mareng.com) was developed in order to disseminate and present the project's outputs. Important milestones and news will be shared regularly. Users will be able to receive updates via our bi-annual newsletter and they will be able to get in touch with the project management team via e-mail: info@prac-mareng.com.

Partners published several press releases in their countries and in respected European publications.

Our project was even noticed by Radio Romania International on a special broadcast about European Projects and a special part of the broadcast was dedicated to presenting our endeavour.

TAKE PART IN THE QUESTIONNAIRE

The project's survey is still active to collect further responses from seafarers – especially engineers. The questionnaire aims to identify the common communication issues on board as well as to identify best practices in learning Maritime English on board: <http://bit.ly/ztigg89>



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