

2013 FIRST QUARTER ACTIVITIES – EU MEMBER STATES, ICELAND AND NORWAY

Following a request from the German Ministry of Transport (BMVBS), a regional training course **on EU maritime legislation for newcomers** was held in Bonn, Germany on 19-21 February. Twenty-three officials attended the course, including representatives from the German Maritime Administration in Hamburg.

The training session focused on the structure, organisation and tasks of the EU in relation to maritime safety. In particular, it looked at the main differences between the EU and the IMO and the added value of EU maritime safety legislation versus international rules. It also covered the role of EMSA in assisting Member States and the Commission with the development and implementation of maritime safety legislation.



Bonn, Germany (19-21 February) regional training course on EU maritime legislation for newcomers

Participants also heard about existing EU legislation in many areas. The course included presentations on the regulations and directives adopted under the "Third maritime safety package". These included: Flag State obligations under Directive 2009/21; the RO Directive and Regulation; Accident Investigation and Port State Control; relevant EU legislation concerning maritime security; minimum training standards for seafarers; and, the vessel traffic monitoring services. Existing legislation, both international and European, dealing with key environmental issues was also presented. The course included a series of practical exercises on a number of topics and follow-up discussions to expand on the information given.

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The following training courses will be held for EU Member State participants during the second quarter of 2013:

1. EU maritime legislation (regional), Madrid, 16-18 April
2. EU maritime legislation, Lisbon, 14-17 May
3. Flag State Implementation, Lisbon, 04-05 June
4. ISM Simulated audit, Lisbon, 12-13 June
5. STCW Manila amendments, Lisbon, 25-27 June

2013 FIRST QUARTER TRAINING ACTIVITIES – CANDIDATE AND POTENTIAL CANDIDATE COUNTRIES

A training session on the **ISPS Code** was held for IPA countries on 26 February–1 March. The purpose of the course was to ensure that participants are aware of the main elements of ISPS, that they know the auditing procedures, and that they can develop a practical approach to the interpretation and application of the ISPS Code. Representatives from Albania, Croatia, Montenegro and Turkey took part in the course.



Lisbon, Portugal (26 February–1 March) Training on ISPS Code – Ship security

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In the second quarter of 2013 (April-June), EMSA will hold two training courses geared towards officials from IPA administrations whose responsibilities relate to environmental issues, liability and compensation. In addition, EMSA will hold a training session in Turkey on MLC, 2006, with a view to expanding the number of national experts that can attend.

1. Environmental issues, Lisbon, 21-22 May
2. Liability & Compensation, Lisbon, 23-24 May
3. Maritime Labour Convention 2006, Turkey, 20-21 June

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In a bid to improve our training and cooperation activities, we have made a few changes to our webpage. The information is now provided separately for EU Member States and Candidate and Potential Candidate Countries, thereby making the page more user-friendly and avoiding any possible confusion.

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