

News item MET-NET

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New network for maritime training and education

To provide current and future maritime professionals with the best possible education, nine European leading education providers have started the Maritime Education and Training Network (MET-NET). By participating in MET-NET, education providers can benefit from access to valuable resources, increased visibility, and networking opportunities to ensure high quality of trained maritime personnel. MET-NET is open to all European maritime education and training providers.

MET-NET was launched today in Brussels during the closing conference of SkillSea, the pan-European project for future-proof skills in maritime transport, funded by Europe's Erasmus+ programme. In the past four-and-a-half-years 26 partners of 15 European countries worked together to ensure that Europe's maritime professionals possess key digital, green and soft management skills for the rapidly changing maritime labour market. SkillSea has brought together social partners, maritime industry, trade unions, research organisations, maritime academies and universities, education and training providers, and public authorities.

Within SkillSea a set of educational packages is produced, including a toolbox to develop more educational material. MET-NET is a project outcome to strengthen the developed strategy for sustainable skills. The network is supported by "founding partners" STC Group (Rotterdam, the Netherlands), École Nationale Supérieure Maritime (Le Havre, France), Svendborg International Maritime Academy (Svendborg, Denmark), Liverpool John Moores University (Liverpool, United Kingdom), University of Rijeka (Rijeka, Croatia), Constanta Maritime University (Constanta, Romania), Maritime Business School of Hamburg (Hamburg, Germany), Estonian Maritime Academy (Tallinn, Estonia) and Norwegian University of Science and Technology (Trondheim, Norway).