



A new call for EU Funding in Research and Development in Maritime Transportation is being introduced for early 2013. There are a number of opportunities to seek research and development funding in maritime research and development through the EU's FP7 funding opportunities.

An FP7 2013 draft work programme for Surface Transport (including maritime transportation) is available. However, the official announcement for this latest funding will be made by the European Union shortly in July 2012 and will be available in MariFuture news. Some areas of funding in maritime transportation under the European FP7 programme for 2013 are given below:

CHALLENGE 1: ECO-INNOVATION

- Activity 7.2.1. The greening of surface transport SST.2013.1-1.

CHALLENGE 2: SAFE AND SEAMLESS MOBILITY

- Activity 7.2.2. Encouraging modal shift and decongesting transport corridors

CHALLENGE 3: COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH INNOVATION

- Activity 7.2.5. Strengthening competitiveness

C4FF and TUDEV in collaboration prepared and submitted two papers to IMLA20 Conference: "Back to Basics" (www.imla20.com). One paper is concerns the harmonisation or maritime education training and the second reports on the development of a novel platform for assessment and promotion of maritime training products. Both papers will be presented in July at IMLA20 Conference in West-Terschelling, The Netherlands. The papers will also be available in papers section in MariFuture website. Outcome and feedback on the papers will be available in September progress report in MariFuture.

TUDEV and C4FF are invited to Technology transfer in the maritime sector – towards the future that will be held in Szczecin on 4-5 October 2012. Prof. Dr. Reza Ziarati representing TUDEV and C4FF will give a presentation on the challenges facing the maritime sector in future. There will be representatives from the EU, and innovative companies and inventors to present their success stories. For more information about the conference, follow the link: www.ttconference.am.szczecin.pl. Outcome of the conference will be reported in November 2012 as a progress report in MariFuture website.

MarTEL Plus and CAPTAINS project consortia are planning to attend IMEC24 (International Maritime English Conference) that will be held in October 2012 in Myanmar. For more information about the conference, please refer to Conference flyer: http://www.uniteammarine.com/files/imec_24_flyer.pdf.

The short report on the outcome of the IMEC24 Conference will be available in November 2012, again as a progress report in MariFuture website.