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ABOUT MARINE

This project is co-funded by Black Sea Basin Joint Operational Programme 2007 - 2013 and it is carried out between March 12th 2013 through March 12th 2015.

The overall objective of this joint action is the development of the maritime culture in the Black Sea basin by accenting the traditional maritime values of the four partner countries: Romania, Turkey, Ukraine and Republic of Moldova and enhancing the preparedness of the professionals involved in the maritime industry.

GROUP OF ACTIVITIES

GA1 - Increasing public awareness regarding the rich maritime cultural heritage and promotion of the professional qualifications related to modern maritime transportation in the partner countries

GA2 - Design and implementation of a collaborative integrated platform (MARPLAT) for the transfer of maritime knowledge, skills and research results among the partners involved in the Action

GA3 - Visibility of the Action

GA4 - Management and coordination of the Action

PARTNERS



**MIRCEA CEL BATRAN
NAVAL ACADEMY
ROMANIA**



**PIRI REIS
UNIVERSITY
TURKEY**



**ODESSA NATIONAL
MARITIME ACADEMY
UKRAINE**



**TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
OF MOLDOVA
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA**

PROGRESS REPORT

Official launch of MARINE website

www.anmb.ro/marine went live on April 5th 2013 with the goal of disseminating relevant information to wider public regarding *Maritime network of education for the development of the maritime culture in the Black Sea basin* project.

Through this website the MARINE team wishes to present the partners and provide for the target groups official news and information regarding the events organized during the two years of the project.

The official launch took part at Mircea cel Batran Naval Academy in the presence of students and teachers.

First Partner and Steering Committee Meeting

The First Partner Meeting of the MARINE project was held on May 9th 2013 at Piri Reis University (PRU), Turkey with participation of the staff members from all partners organizations.



The first MARINE's steering committee

Prof.Dr. Osman Kamil Sag, rector of the PRU welcomed the participants and emphasized the importance of this cooperation.

The agenda included presentations of the general objectives and expected results, the

role and resources of each partner in the implementation of the project and development of the project website and Portal.



Prof.Dr. Osman Kamil Sag welcomes the MARINE joint team

Development of Maritime Education and Training in View of Maritime History and the Cultural Heritage of the Black Sea Basin Conference

Piri Reis University (PRU) hosted on May 10th 2013 the Opening Conference of the MARINE project. Deputy Minister for EU Affairs Dr. Alaattin Büyükkaya, Admiral Metin Ataç, former Commander of the Turkish Naval Forces, representatives of the Chamber of Shipping and media attended to this event.

In his speech, Deputy Minister Dr. BÜYÜKKAYA pointed out that the Programme helps strengthening the cooperation between non-governmental organizations and local



Dr. Alaattin Büyükkaya at the maritime history seminar



Mr. Taner Albayrak presenting the MARINE project

authorities, ENPI Cross Border Cooperation at the Black Sea Basin Programme is of great importance despite its limited budget. Furthermore, Deputy Minister stated that the Programme will continue to be implemented during 2014- 2020 budget period with higher grant support from both the EU and the Ministry.

PRU communication and PR expert Dr. Taner Albayrak presented the project highlighting the aims, objectives and expected outcomes.

The representatives of the partner institutions presented papers in line with the general theme of the conference.

In the conference folder a feedback and evaluation questionnaire was included and about half of the 285 participants have completed the form.



Numerous guests at the maritime history seminar

All the attenders appreciated the conference as being relevant to its objectives. 96 percent were interested in the issues discussed at the conference and would like to receive further information.

Articles in Turkish media:

<http://www.ab.gov.tr/index.php?p=48882&l=2>

<http://www.e-marineeducation.com/tr/piri-reis-universitesinde-marine-projesi-konferansi/>

<http://www.denizhaber.com.tr/serbest-kursu/48568/piri-reis-universitesinde-konferans-denizhaber-piri-reis-universitesi-osman-sag.html>

<http://www.dikap.org/1071-konferans-piri-reis-de-basladi.html>

<http://www.virahaber.com/haber/konferans-10-mayis-gerceklesiyor-28169.htm>

European Maritime Day - MARINE presentation and press conference

Mircea cel Batran Naval Academy (MBNA) organized on May 20th 2013 a conference dedicated to the 5th celebration of the European Maritime Day. This annual event was established jointly by the European Council, the European Parliament and European Commission as part of the EU's Integrated Maritime Policy launched in 2007.

After the welcome speech of the rector of MBNA, prof. Dr. Vergil Chițac, the project manager, assoc. prof. Dr. Vasile Dobref, and the project manager assistant, assoc. prof. Dr. Octavian Tarabuta presented the MARINE project. The main topics of the presentation regarded the partners, the activities, objectives, target groups and results.

The invited guests - stakeholders from the local maritime companies and authorities -



Dr. Vasile Dobref, the MARINE general manager, presenting the project at MBNA

expressed their interest in joining the numerous and ambitious activities of MARINE. The students and public in the audience were answered their questions about their expected role and benefits from the project. At the end of this event the project manager held a press conference.

Articles in Romanian media:

<http://observator.ro/202434/ziua-maritima-europeana-sarbatorita-la-academia-navala-mircea-cel-batran-202434.html>

http://www.telegrafonline.ro/1369083600/articol/235061/ziua_maritima_europeana.html

http://www.realitatea.net/ziua-maritima-europeana-sarbatorita-la-academia-navala-mircea-cel-batran_1185201.html



European Maritime Day celebrated at MBNA

<http://www.ziuaconstanta.ro/diverse/stiri-calde/ziua-maritima-europeana-sarbatorita-la-academia-navala-mircea-cel-batran-457547.html>

<http://www2.e-reporter.ro/ziua-maritima-europeana-a-fost-marcata-la-academia-navala/>

<http://www.goldfmromania.ro/categorii-stiri/stiri-locale-din-constant/ziua-maritima-europeana-a-fost-marcata-la-academia-navala.html>

Developing the MARPLAT platform

In July 2013 the web administrator from Mircea cel Batran Naval Academy has developed the functional specification which defines and describes the operations, interfaces and quality assurance requirements of the MARPLAT platform.

There are 23 requirements structured on sections such as: Professional training, Forum, Target audience structure, Assessment of vocational guidance, Blog and Online Courses.

The specifications have been discussed with the partners and the public procurement procedures will follow.

NEXT STEPS

- * Mircea cel Batran Naval Academy will develop 2 on-line education and training courses or educational programs (in digital format) regarding the promotion of maritime professions

- * Odessa National Maritime Academy will develop 2 sections on the web platform of the project regarding the presentation of testimonies, case studies and best practice examples obtained by the partners

MEETINGS

- * Expert Seminar on Cultural Marine Heritage of the Partner Countries - August - Odessa, Ukraine

- * Steering Committee Meeting - August - Odessa, Ukraine



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