



**UniMET (Unification of Marine Training and Education) – [www.unimet.pro](http://www.unimet.pro)**

UniMET Project is progressing well. All partners are committed to achieve the projects targeted goals by completing their tasks.

Partners give considerable effort to disseminate and exploit the project to wider audience at local, national and international level. The consortium expects that the UniMET programmes will be used to help unification process across Europe and worldwide. Several invitations were sent to major universities/institutions to join the UniMET programmes such as National Maritime College of Ireland, Nicola Vaptsarov Naval Academy and Tromso University.

UniMET second newsletter is now available in 9 partners languages (EN, TR, ES, LT, SL, NL, FI, IT, PL). Interested parties can download it from the following link: <http://www.unimet.pro/The-Project.aspx>. It includes the latest news, reports from the workshops and seminars as well as update on delivery of UniMET within the partner institutions.

A detailed questionnaire was developed to seek the feedback of the partners with aim to evaluate and improve UniMET project management. The results received from partners were positive so far. The results will be collected in one report and analysed at later stage.

A sustainability plan was produced with input from partners and members of the Steering Committee. The plan in its present form includes a list of tasks and objectives for the post-funding phase as well as identifying resources to maintain these tasks and activities and areas that need to be addressed/further research/development. A post project calendar and set of work packages were included in the plan.

A LinkedIn discussion group was created to reach wider target audience to be included in UniMET programmes. If you are an institution, stakeholder or even a seafarer, please join UniMET LinkedIn group following the link: [http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4630231&trk=hb\\_side\\_g](http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=4630231&trk=hb_side_g)

The videos and presentations from the 1<sup>st</sup> UniMET conference as well as a workshop in Turkey are now available to public. If you would like to know more about the results/outcomes of the conference, please follow the link:

1<sup>st</sup> UniMET Conference: <http://www.unimet.pro/Conference.aspx>

Workshop in Turkey: <http://www.unimet.pro/Workshop.aspx#uniWorkshop1>



## Progress Report

### **IMPACT (Integrated Maritime Promotion ACTION) - [www.maritimetraining.pro](http://www.maritimetraining.pro)**

The project made good progress at the second half of the funding period.

Partners discussed and reviewed the products that have been considered for inclusion in the platform such as M'aider ([www.maider.pro](http://www.maider.pro)), SURPASS ([www.surpass.pro](http://www.surpass.pro)), and CAPTAINS ([www.captains.pro](http://www.captains.pro)). Once the assessment of these products is concluded, they will be promoted as good practice product in the platform.

A plan for the 1<sup>st</sup> International Maritime Training Conference is being organised by Slovenian partner with support from project partners. It is provisionally decided that the conference will take place in parallel to final partner meeting in Bled, Slovenia. An invitation was drafted and sent over 30.000 egmdss.com users. More information about the conference can be viewed from the following link: <http://www.maritimetraining.pro/index.php/conference>

Impact Quality Manual is being revised as when required to fit the needs of project. The plan includes the description of the consortium management structure and responsibilities, reporting types and acceptance procedures, milestone quality criteria for each Work Package (WP), as well as the risk management plan for IMPACT Project.

Project website in terms of design and content is regularly being updated by the partnership consortium as the feedbacks arrive to reach ultimate effectiveness and efficiency for the target group users.

A preparation is being made by the Finnish partner to present the project at Rank-Up seminar in Latvia. The Rank-Up project has shown a great interest in Maritime Training platform.

The project brochure is reviewed and printed and will be available at the project website for interested parties to download at [maritimetraining.pro](http://maritimetraining.pro).

Projects progress is being regularly updated in the project website through regular news. If you would like to get news updates from the IMPACT project, please follow us on:

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/maritimetraining.pro>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/MarTraining>



## Progress Report

### **Sail Ahead (Onshore Career Guidance Tool for Seafarers) – [www.sailahead.pro](http://www.sailahead.pro)**

Sail Ahead project is making good progress and target groups; organisations etc. have shown a great interest in the project platform.

Partners are working hard to validate the job profiles developed within their country. Experts from each partner's country are being contacted to validate the profiles. The feedbacks and comments received so far seem very positive.

A comprehensive report mapping and cross-referencing the competences acquired by Captains/Deck officers and Deck Cadets through their formal education and at sea was translated by the partner countries, namely; Greece, Turkey, Slovenia, Poland and Finland. English and translated version of this report is available to public and can be viewed following the link: <http://www.sailahead.eu/en/downloads>

### **MarTEL Plus (Maritime Tests of English Language) – [www.plus.martel.pro](http://www.plus.martel.pro)**

Mobile application piloting has taken place with a variety of project partners. The application is in its consumer-ready phase and further content will continue to be developed for the mobile platform to increase its question bank.

Partners are busy preparing presentations for the upcoming final partner meeting and MarTEL Plus conference.

Press releases and articles are continuing to be created and distributed to reputable maritime publications for dissemination purposes.

### **CAPTAINS (Communication and Practical Training Applied In Nautical Studies) – [www.captains.pro](http://www.captains.pro)**

The course content has been finalised and fully structured into two distinct courses; the online course and the standalone course, available offline on a CD-Rom.

The interactive 3D game, as part of the course, has been developed and completed. This allows learners to explore the 3D environment of a ship's bridge using a controlled avatar, for educational purposes.

Partners have completed and submitted their sustainability and exploitation plans for CAPTAINS to the project coordinator, identifying important avenues of funding after the funding ceases from the European Commission, and identifying rival products on the market, among other information.

Several papers for IMEC24 conference are being drafted to present the project aims, objectives and achievement secured so far. The published paper will be available at <http://www.marifuture.org/Publications/Papers.aspx>



## Progress Report

### **TRECVET (Transnational Recognition of European Certification in Vocational Education and Training) – [www.trecvet.eu](http://www.trecvet.eu)**

Partners are satisfied with TRECVET project's progress.

Major stake holders/stakeholders have approached us for support for getting recognition for courses leading to yacht captain qualifications. Considerable support has been gathered to encourage them to use project results/outcomes.

A press release was submitted by the UK partner to one of the major maritime magazines, Nautilus International, having over 30.000 subscribers worldwide; it will be published in October 2012.

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> TRECVET newsletters and TRECVET flyer are available and being distributed to the target audience identified by the consortium. The newsletters are distributed with an innovative software tool that the UK partner uses. Both newsletters were translated in all partners' language and available to be downloaded following the link: <http://www.trecvet.eu/downloads.html>

ECVET experts across EU were contacted to support the project dissemination and exploitation activities. Continuous feedback is being received from them to work towards achieving the project goals.

A LinkedIn group is now available for target groups to actively engage with the project progress.

### **GETAFIX (Gaining Educational Training Analysis For Identifying Cross Border Systems) – [www.getafix.eu](http://www.getafix.eu)**

Preparations for the next GETAFIX partner meeting which will take place in October 2012 are being made.

GETAFIX survey which has been designed for skippers working in SCV (Small commercial vessels) is still active. If you are a skipper and work in SCV, you are invited to participate in GETAFIX survey. The survey can be accessed through the following link: <http://getafix.eu/survey.html>

The more information is available at the comparison tool in the GETAFIX project. Please follow the link to see the differences in the requirements, regulations, Conditions and Recognition of European Qualifications across 27 member countries across Europe.

More information is available in the next progress report.

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