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## TRAINING SESSIONS FOR EU MEMBER STATES, ICELAND AND NORWAY: OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2011

Four training sessions were organised during the period October-December 2011. On 24-28 October EMSA's training on the "International Ship and Port Security Code (ISPS)" was attended by representatives from 14 EU Member States (in alphabetic order, from Latvia to UK) dealing with monitoring and control of compliance with security measures on-board ships and those put in place by companies. The training covered the main elements of the ISPS code and auditing procedures, aiming to provide participants with a practical approach to the interpretation and application of the ISPS Code. The training session 'Core skills for accident investigators' (7-11 November) was attended by 15 investigators involved in marine safety investigations, focusing on Directive 2009/18/EC. A training session on 'Compliance methods in relation to Directive 2005/33/EC' (29 November) was attended by officials from 22 Member States plus Iceland and Norway, dealing with enforcement of the Directive relating to a reduction in the sulphur content of a certain liquid fuels. On 13-16 December a training session on 'EU maritime legislation' was attended by 22 officials from Member States plus Iceland and Norway.



Lisbon, 13-16 December 2011, participants at the training session on 'EU maritime legislation'.

EMSA's TRAINING PLAN FOR 2012. Based on the input received from the focal points of the EU Member States, Norway and Iceland represented in the CNTA, EMSA has planned a considerable number of training sessions for 2012. They include sessions on the Education and certification of seafarers organised in co-operation with the IMO, focusing on the Manila amendments to the STCW convention; on the ISPS Code, the 'Maritime Labour Convention 2006' and 'Flag State implementation (Quality and monitoring of ROs)', as well as the environmental issue with a training session on 'Illegal discharges and MARPOL investigation' which will be organised in co-operation with Interpol. The full plan can be found on the EMSA website under 'Training and co-operation' – 'Training 2012'. Two regional training sessions on 'EU maritime legislation' will be organised in co-operation with the Member States' maritime administration. The first one will be held in Finland next July.

7<sup>th</sup> MEETING of the CONSULTATIVE NETWORK for TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (CNTA). The meeting of focal points for training and co-operation is planned for 21 March. The meeting will, among other things, identify the training needs of the Members States, Iceland and Norway and define the training plan for 2013 by the first half of the current

year, in order to facilitate the planning of the national training activities by Member States' maritime administrations.

## TRAINING ACTIVITY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CANDIDATE/POTENTIAL CANDIDATE (IPA) COUNTRIES



Istanbul, January 2010, info-day on EU maritime legislation organised in the framework of the Contribution Agreement 'Preparatory measures for the participation of the candidate and potential candidate countries in EMSA's work' 2009/210-101 ended on the 17 August 2011

Contribution Agreement 272/515 'Preparatory measures for the participation of the candidates and potential candidates countries in EMSA's work' was signed on the 26 October 2011 by the European Commission and EMSA. The Contribution Agreement replaces the previous one that ended on the 17 August 2011. Based on the input received from the focal points of the beneficiary countries EMSA has planned the training activity for 2012 and will, by the end of 2012, plan the activity until March 2014. The plan for 2012 includes a general training session on 'EU maritime legislation for newcomers' and training sessions both on 'ISM Code-auditing techniques' and ISPS, on PSC and ro-ro pax directives, on the 'Maritime Labour Convention 2006', as well as four in-the-country training sessions tailor made for the hosting beneficiary countries and focusing on environmental issues, LRIT and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Maritime Safety Package.



Lisbon, 18-21 July 2011, participants at the training session on ISPS Code involved in a working group.

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