



## MariFuture Future Map

April is the month each year when the Marifuture map is reviewed for the next period, this year Marifuture have reviewed the map for 2015 – 2020. The new Centre in Kenilworth, UK will take responsibility for Marifuture. The second workshop of MariePRO took place at the new Centre and was very successful.



2014 was devoted to safety as sea and Marifuture supported the development of several projects. Project ACTs ([www.ecolregs.com](http://www.ecolregs.com)) was initiated by C4FF in response to the EU policy for zero collisions and as part of the Marifuture drive to reduce collisions and grounding at sea with a view to examine the COLREGS, IMO's 'rule of the road', and to try to improve the application of these important rules. Two other projects, one to reduce stress on board ships (project SOS) and one to improve communication on board vessels (Project SeaTALK) were also initiated. All three projects were funded by the EU and are progressing well. 2015 has been designated the Marifuture year of energy efficiency.

The development paper this month is devoted to three new Marifuture proposals, namely, MariEMS, MariLANG and i-SCPOE. These projects are being initiated as result of the IMO and EU's drive to reduce fuel consumption and reduce emissions of harmful pollutants into atmosphere.

The three areas being promoted by IMO and EU are as follows:

1. IMO's support for the IMLA's prepared Maritime English Model Course



2. IMO's attempt in implementing EEDI and SEEMP
3. EU Blue Growth and Environmental Initiatives

Despite the heavy workload in the weeks running up to the proposal submission deadline of 31st March 2015 (SeaTALK and ACTS partner project meetings organised for mid- March and the end of March 2015 respectively as well as the MariePRO project Seminar, organised at the new Centre, organised for mid- March) the above three projects were submitted to the EU by Marifutre for funding under the Erasmus + programme. It is worth noting that the formation of three major consortia, one, for each of the proposed projects, and development of three credible proposals is a major undertaking and for any organisation and for this reason Marifuture would like to thank the C4FF team for working hard, with late evenings for several weeks, to prepare three outstanding proposals doing their utmost to prepare for SeaTALK and MariePRO as well as preparing for ACTS project meeting. It is worth noting that it is not too late and other MariFuture partners can still request to join these three consortia.



Picture from Seataalk meeting in UK



Picture from ACTS meeting

The summary of new projects can be found in the April 2015 Development Paper - see <http://www.marifuture.org/Reports/Development-Papers.aspx>. For further information about Marifuture please refer to the Marifuture website.

Best wishes

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