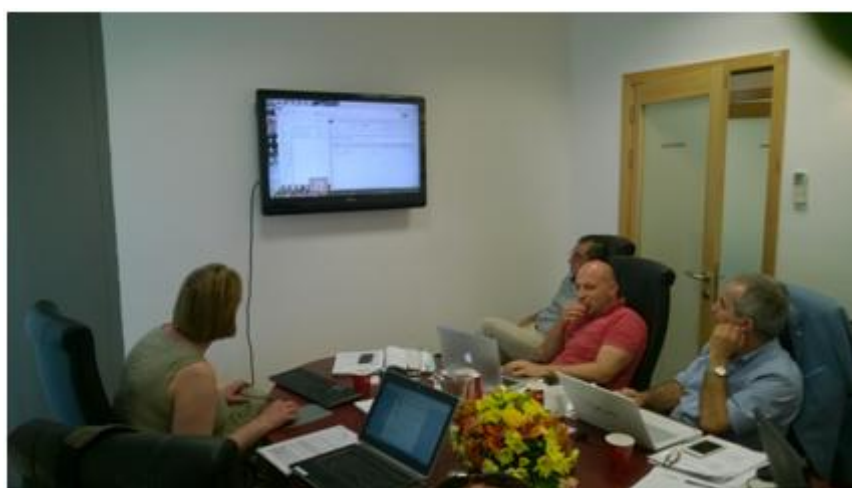




New Events and Activities

MariePRO Project

The third MariePRO partner meetings took place in Malta during 7-9 July 2015. The meetings also included a workshop/seminar on 9th July 2015. The discussion at the meetings and the workshop/seminar were lively and led to a way forward in achieving the intended outputs of project. The partners discussed the next planned meeting in Hungary in 10-11th September 2015, project activities and the report on MET programme/syllabus differences, as well as reviewing the work on good practices, particularly regarding ECVET. The fourth and final MariePRO workshop is planned to take place in Italy in October 2015; more on this in future News.



The partners have prepared three papers for presentation at the Budapest ECER conference which is to take place in September 2015. The titles and authors' names as originally submitted are:



Progress Report

- **Aerovet: The Challenge Of Integrating European Certificates Into The German Dual System In Aeronautics**
Andreas Saniter (Universitaet Bremen), Rainer Bremer (Universitaet Bremen)

National perspective: German with respect to French, English and Spanish

- **MariePRO: The Risk Of Lowering National Standards By Implementing International Standards**
Johanna Vuorenmaa (University of Turku), Riccardo Antola (Istituto Tecnico Trasporti e Logistica Nautico San Giorgio), Daniele Fantechi (Mediterranean Maritime Research and Training Centre), Martin Ziarati (CENTRE FOR FACTORIES OF THE FUTURE LIMITED)

National perspective: Finish, German, Italian, Maltese, English

- **Ecvet: Increasing Mobility Or Fragmenting Holistic Occupations?**
Andreas Saniter (Universität Bremen), Sari Nyroos (University of Turku), Riccardo Antola (Istituto Tecnico Trasporti e Logistica Nautico San Giorgio), Daniele Fantechi (Mediterranean Maritime Research and Training Centre)

National perspective: Finish, German, Italian, Maltese, English

SeaTALK Project

SeaTALK project has been extended to September 2015. This will allow the partners to bring the SeaTALK framework and materials in line with IMO's new Maritime English Model Course due for publication later this month or in August 2015. In parallel, efforts are being put into seeking accreditation from Malta and IMarEST. Both bodies have been contacted. The MariePRO workshop in Malta provided an opportunity to meet the CEO of Further and Higher Education department in Malta and several other stakeholders which would help in seeking their support in the accreditation process for SeaTALK.

The SeaTALK partners met in Malmo Sweden, 15-16 June 2015 and the SeaTALK Symposium on the 17th June, took place in WMU was very successful - see MariFuture June 2015 News. There were participations from some 30 countries.

The SeaTALK materials collection and development is continuing and anyone who wishes to make a contribution can still do so by going to the website (www.seatalk.pro) and submitting his/her material as advised in the video's. All contributions are welcome.

ACTs Project

The project is progressing well and the course is expected to help seafarers to understand the COLREGs more effectively which in turn will assist in making collisions and groundings less likely. The 3rd Newsletter was published in May 2015 on MariFuture (see http://www.marifuture.org/Publications/Newsletters/ACT_NewsLetter_Issue_3.pdf) and the project brochure was distributed to partners and has been placed on MariFuture - see June Newsletter 2015.

The ACTs project group evaluations are progressing well and should be concluded in July 2015. The UK pilot of the ACTs course is planned to be run by Southampton Solent University in mid-July 2015.

Several papers have been written by partners for publications in conferences and journals. More on these in the August News.



Progress Report

Several new initiatives will commence shortly which will continue supporting MariFuture in the next few years. Due to confidentiality issues the nature of these initiatives will not be made public for the time being.

A summary of all projects can be found in www.marifuture.org.

For further information about MariFuture please refer to the MariFuture website.

Best wishes

Professor Dr Reza Ziarati

Edited by Faye Mundy and installed by Lakhvir Singh