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Harmonized Inland Navigation Transport through education and information technology

**Contributions to ongoing EU initiatives with regard to
recognition and modernisation of professional qualifications
in inland navigation**

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Development and implementation of common standards of training and certification in inland navigation

2008: Round Table at the CCNR (Strasbourg)

2009: EDINNA (Education in Inland Navigation)

- educational network of inland waterway navigation schools and training institutes
- to establish a harmonized education, training and certification system for inland waterway personnel in order to ensure high quality of staff on board vessels

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Joint Working Group

CCNR, European Barge Union, EDINNA, European Transport Workers' Federation, European Skippers Organisation, PLATINA, Danube Commission, Sava Commission

Standards of Training
and Certification in
Inland Navigation
STCIN

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2009 – 2012:

NELI – *Cooperation-Network for logistics and nautical education focusing on Inland Waterway Transport in the Danube corridor supported by innovative solutions*

▶ 3 harmonised courses:

River Information Services

Logistics

Inland navigation and Ports

▶ 7 language versions of the INeS Danube elearning platform (<http://www.ines.info/>)

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2012 – 2014:

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- ▶ harmonised concepts for Danube school ship and navigation/ logistics simulators
- ▶ support EU relevant organisations in the harmonisation process
- ▶ promotion of STCIN

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2012: EC launched the Marco Polo initiative for the development of European standards for inland navigation

Common Expert Group (CEG)
on Professional Qualifications
and Training Standards in
Inland Navigation

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CEG identified following problems:

- Shortage of skilled personnel in IWT
- Ageing workforce
- Safety

Caused by:

- Lack of attractiveness of IWT professions
- Barriers hampering access to IWT professions
- Diverging professional qualification requirements in the Member States
- Diverging training standards

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Solutions:

- harmonisation of the training standards
- harmonisation of the professional qualification and certification rules
- combination of the 2 options above in one instrument

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March 2013: DG MOVE launched an initiative on the recognition and modernisation of professional qualifications in inland navigation

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

- existing administrative and legislative barriers preventing labour mobility
- necessity of local knowledge requirements and recognition of service record books
- implementation of standard inland navigation communication phrases

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April - June 2013: HINT partners translated the questionnaire and advised local stakeholders on its release

RESULTS

43 out of 94 answers were provided by stakeholders in HINT participant countries

Results have been processed and outcomes of the public consultation will be made available

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Today: HINT partners meeting in Budapest attended by CCNR and Danube Commission representatives

ISSUES ON THE AGENDA

- Results of the public consultation
- Impact assessment
- Promotion strategy

Thank you for your attention!



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