Three training sessions were organised for EU Member States during the period July-September 2010. Two sessions were held at EMSA in Lisbon, attended by delegates from EU Member States, Iceland and Norway. The activities included a training session entitled 'ISM Code - Train the Trainer' (6-10 September) and a training session on the Maritime Labour Convention (14-16 September). The session on the Maritime Labour Convention was attended by 28 delegates from Member States' administrations. Feedback from participants showed that the event, scheduled to take place ahead of the entry into force of the Maritime Labour Convention, was strongly appreciated: many administrations are currently working on the implementation of the Convention, and it was good to share experiences. The training session aimed to introduce the main elements of the new Convention, which is expected to enter into force by 2012, focussing on the role and responsibilities of the competent authorities.

Lisbon, 14–16 September 2010 – Attendees take part in a practical exercise during the 'Training on the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006'

A third activity was held from 6-8 July in Limassol (Cyprus) for the Cypriot Maritime Administration covering 'EU Maritime Legislation for Newcomers to maritime administrations'. This is one of the most in-demand training sessions that EMSA organises.

FIFTH CNTA MEETING

On 1 July the annual meeting of the Consultative Network on Technical Assistance (CNTA) was held. This was the fifth meeting since the network was established in 2006. The CNTA focal points, in co-operation with EMSA, identified the list of training items to be considered as a basis for the training activities to be organised next year. The 2011 training programme will now be finalised by the end of October 2010.

EMSA TRAINING ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER OF 2010 FOR THE BENEFIT OF EU MEMBER STATES

The plan addresses the training needs expressed by the focal points of the Consultative Network for Technical Assistance (CNTA) in 2010 and includes the following training sessions:

1. Training on Ballast Water Management (20 October)
2. Training on Ship Security (26-27 October and 9-10 November)
3. Training for newcomers on EU maritime legislation – Hagesund, Norway (9-11 November)
4. Training on Directive 2003/25 on ro-ro pax stability (7 December)

JULY-SEPTEMBER TRAINING CALENDAR, ORGANISED FOR CANDIDATE AND POTENTIAL CANDIDATE COUNTRIES

Two activities were organised for candidate and potential candidate countries during the period of July to September 2010. On 6-7 July a training session held in Lisbon on 'Education and certification of seafarers' was attended by 11 officials from the maritime administrations of Croatia, Turkey, Albania and Montenegro. On 21–22 September, a tailor made training session on 'Flag State Implementation' was organised in cooperation with the Turkish Under-secretariat for Maritime Affairs and hosted in Istanbul by the General Directorate of Coastal Safety. The training session focused on the role of the Flag States and Recognised Organisations (ROs), the European legislation on ROs and their monitoring both by the EMSA on behalf of the EU Commission and by Flag State. An expert from Denmark was invited to share with participants the experience of the Danish Maritime Administration on the monitoring of recognised organisation and the IMO Voluntary Audit Scheme.

Istanbul (Turkey), 21-22 September 2010 – Training Session on Flag State Implementation

2011 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME FOR CANDIDATES AND POTENTIAL CANDIDATE COUNTRIES

In co-operation with the focal points for training activities, training actions for 2011 for IPA countries will be identified by the end of October 2010

EMSA TRAINING ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2010 FOR CANDIDATE AND POTENTIAL CANDIDATE COUNTRIES

The plan for the fourth quarter for candidate and potential candidate countries includes the following sessions:

1. Basic training on Accident Investigation (Lisbon) (13-14 October)
2. Training on the Third Maritime Package (Lisbon) (3-4 November)

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