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EUROPEAN MARITIME SAFETY CONFERENCE: SAFETY FIRST TO BE HELD ON 8 DECEMBER IN EMSA'S PREMISES IN LISBON

On 8 December 2025, EMSA hosts the European Maritime Safety Conference at our headquarters in Lisbon. The event, which will be streamed online, brings together key maritime stakeholders for debate and discussion. Our expert speakers and panellists will explore the most important safety challenges and opportunities for the maritime sector in the EU, both now and in the years to come. The conference programme has been designed to be interactive and dynamic and aims to encourage interactive discussions among participants through panel debates, each covering areas related to a specific session. Key topics include the role of issues like digitalisation and innovation in the evolution of maritime safety in the EU, passenger ship safety, the practical safety implications of the sustainable and technological shift within the maritime sector, and current and emerging maritime safety risks. An important highlight of the conference will be the presentation of the second edition of the European Maritime Safety Report (EMSAFE), the most comprehensive overview of maritime safety in the European Union. Produced by EMSA, the report compiles up-to-date facts. information, and data – including from EMSA's own databases - bringing together a set of key technical data related to the safety of ships and their operation in the EU. EMSAFE also looks at the development, application and status of relevant EU and international safety standards, with the aim of contributing to a greater understanding of the safety-related issues facing the maritime sector. EMSAFE gives a factual overview of a wide range of maritime safety topics, as well as an in-depth analysis of specific technical areas. More information on the conference, including how to watch the online event, is available here.



The European Maritime Safety Conference will be broadcast live from EMSA's headquarters on 8 December 2025.

WORKSHOP ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE FUEL COMPETENCES FOR SEAFARERS

On 20 and 21 November, EMSA will hold a workshop on the development of competences for seafarers working on board ships using alternative fuels. The workshop, which will be broadcast live, will gather experts from the European Commission, the International Maritime Organization, EU Member State administrations, industry, education and training institutions, and other maritime stakeholders, for analysis and discussion. The workshop follows on from the publication of EMSA's TRAINALTER report, published in December 2024, TRAINALTER presented the results of a two-part study which aimed to identify and describe specific competences and training areas in terms of knowledge, understanding and proficiency for seafarers to ensure safe operations of ships using alternative fuels and energy systems; and identify and justify methods for demonstrating competence and descriptions of training programmes and syllabus for seafarers and instructors. The TRAINALTER report is available for download via EMSA's website. The agenda for the event can be found here. There are still some places available to attend the workshop online and to register for an activity session on the second day. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, and you can register your interest in attending the workshop here.



The workshop on the development of competences for seafarers working with alternative fuels will gather experts from all around the EU for analysis, discussion, and insight.

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6TH TABLETOP EXERCISE TAKES PLACE IN DUBLIN HOSTED BY THE IRISH COAST GUARD

From 14 to 16 October, the Irish Coast Guard hosted the 6th TableTop Exercise (TTX) on Places of Refuge in Dublin, Ireland, organised in collaboration with EMSA and the European Commission. The event opened with a keynote speech by the Irish Minister of State, Seán Canney, TD, and brought together around 90 participants, including EU Member States and a wide range of observers from key international organisations, bodies, and industry, including the International Maritime Organization (IMO), BIMCO, Transport Canada – Transports Canada, Boluda Towage, the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS), and Ambipar. Participants from EMSA's SAFEMED V and BCSEA II programmes also contributed to the event. On the first day, EMSA delivered an awareness session on its services and platforms, providing valuable context for the scenario-based discussions and collaboration that followed.





The 6th TableTop Exercise was attended by delegates from all over the EU, and was hosted by the Irish Coast Guard.

NEW VIDEO TUTORIALS FOR FUELEU MARITIME: SHIPPING COMPANIES AND VERIFIERS

EMSA has launched four new video tutorials within the FuelEU Maritime legal scope including a dedicated video for verifiers. The tutorials for shipping companies are: Report Voyage and Port emissions; split voyages; and FuelEU Maritime report creation and submission. The tutorial for verifiers is entitled FuelEU Maritime report verification. All videos are available through the dedicated THETIS-MRV tutorial page for companies and the THETIS-MRV tutorial page for verifiers, and form part of the series of tutorials aimed at facilitating shipping companies in their use of this platform and subsequent reporting. In addition, in collaboration with the Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport at the European Commission, EMSA has produced a series of webinars on FuelEU Maritime which are available to view again on EMSA's YouTube channel, along with a series of questions and answers and other resources, available through a <u>dedicated section on EMSA's</u> website.



The new video tutorials are available to view through EMSA's website, along with a range of material, including webinars, for shipping companies, verifiers, and relevant maritime stakeholders.

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VACANCIES: National Experts in Professional Training (20/06/2025) See website for more.

PROCUREMENT: Study for the preparatory work to draw-up a Goal Based Standard document for domestic passenger ship built in light materials, incorporating emissions reductions technologies (24/11/2025), Provision of ICT services for development, corrective maintenance and helpdesk support for the Near Real Time STAR Automated Behaviour Monitoring (ABM) (03/12/2025), Provision of enhancement and maintenance of the European Marine Casualty Information Platform (EMCIP) (05/01/2026). See website for more.