
CURRICULUM VITAE

Personal details

Name: Fritz Farrugia

“I have throughout my private, academic and commercial life always believed in carrying out my duties and responsibilities in a manner that reflected my morals and principles in order to achieve performance and success in a safe and rewarding manner. I am self-motivated, energetic and social and believe in constant self-improvement, believing that nothing is impossible to do and achieve through perseverance and hard work.”

Career history

2025 - Appointed Member of the Regatta Organising Committee by the Minister for Education, Sport, Youth, Research and Innovation.

2023 - Overall management and implementation of processes and all required agreements with Energy provider, with Shipping lines and related contractors of the Onshore Power Supply in Malta within the Grand Harbour, Phase I and Phase II with a dedicated team to ensure the provision of services related to the OPS including commissioning of vessels. Phase I dedicated to the cruise liner Industry and Phase II dedicated to all other types of vessels.

Appointed Member of the Maritime Security Committee in line with Subsidiary Legislation 499.35 – Ports Security Regulations by the Ministry of Transport & Infrastructure & Capital Projects.

Appointed Member of the Maritime Safety and Pollution Prevention Committee by the Ministry of Transport & Infrastructure & Capital Projects.

Employed with the Ports & Yachting Directorate, Transport in Malta as Chief Officer & Harbour Master. The role of Chief Officer includes all matters relating to the management of the Directorate to include International, European, and Local legislation with respect to compliance, Capacity building within the same Directorate together with polices and improvements as established by the Authority and the Ministry of Infrastructure and Projects, establishing budgets and training programs for all Directorate personnel. As Harbour Master, responsibilities include,

Transport Management Unit (TMU) relating to all port operations in Malta including all ports and territorial waters, Vessel Traffic Services (VTMIS) relating to traffic within our ports and territorial waters, Ports Inspectorate Unit (PIU) relating to recreational, commercial and merchant vessel inspections including land management as Land Lord, Hydrography department relating to the safety of navigation in our ports and territorial waters, the Small Ships Register Unit (SSRU) relating to the registry of vessels up to 24m, the Commercial Vessel Unit (CVU) relating to all matters falling under the Commercial vessel Regulations, the Training & Certification Unit (TCU), covering nautical licenses for recreational vessels and Certificates of Competency for Commercial Vessels and the Maritime Enforcement Unit (MEU) relating to maritime enforcement. Maintaining and improving relationships with all stakeholders, including the Planning Authority, the Environment Resources Authority, the Armed Forces of Malta, Malta Police and Civil Protection Department. Directly liaising and coordinating with Electrogas Malta responsible for the management of the FSU berthed at Delimara power station and LNG STS operations on all operational matters.

Lecturing on MaQuaM - International Qualification on Marine and Tourism for the Mediterranean harbours, Erasmus+ project n. 2020-1-IT01-KA202-008459 "Manager of integrated services for boating and coastal tourism", covering subjects ranging from IT Tools, Touristic Ports and Capstone.

2022 - Appointed as contact point by the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects from the Authority for Transport in Malta, for the revision of the Integrated Border Management.

Appointed as contact point by the Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects from the Authority for Transport in Malta, to be part of the Solidarity Lanes Network, as requested by Director General, DG Move, requesting Member States to nominate contact points to the Solidarity lanes Network. The objective of this network is to assist Ukraine with respect to transport related matters, in the interest of ensuring all member states that relied on these Exports, to find solutions to the transport of goods and thus minimize delays and ensure the supply chain is maintained.

2021 - Appointed as member of the Valletta Grand Harbour Regeneration Project, under the Office of the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects. The Terms of Reference of the coordinating Working Group include: Identify initiatives and projects that can be classified in the short, medium and long-term, Develop communication with different stakeholders interested and/or involved in

any of the phases, Formulate a plan of action related to different phases of the strategy, Co-ordinate media/promotion campaign strategies related to the implementation of the VGHR strategy, Provide regular updates to the Permanent Secretary and the Minister. The coordinating Working Group will report to the Permanent Secretary on the co-ordination required by the different stakeholders and provide frequent status reports on the agreed plan of action.

Appointed as member of the Gozo Regional Development Authority, GRDA. The Gozo Regional Development Authority (GRDA) is an autonomous Authority that was officially launched in September 2020. It has both a consultative and regulatory function, with its initial aim being that of drawing up the Regional Development Strategy for Gozo (RDS) and overseeing its implementation.

- 2019 - Employed with the Ports & Yachting Directorate, Transport in Malta as Deputy Chief Officer & Deputy Harbour Master. The role of Deputy Chief Officer includes all matters relating to the management of the Directorate to include International, European and Local legislation with respect to compliance, Capacity building within the same Directorate together with policies and improvements as established by the Authority and the Ministry of Infrastructure and Projects, establishing budgets and training programs for all Directorate personnel.
- 2018 - Appointed as Examiner to carry out exams related to the Small Ships Regulations (S.L. 499.52) and related Nautical License within territorial waters for and the Commercial Vessel Regulations (S.L. 499.23) and related commercial Certificates of Competency.
- 2018 - Appointed member of the Radiation Protection Commission (RPC) by the Ministry for European Affairs and Equality.
- 2015 - Employed with the Ports & Yachting Directorate, Transport in Malta as Deputy Harbour Master. Responsibilities include, Transport Management Unit (TMU) relating to all port operations in Malta including all ports and territorial waters, Vessel Traffic Services (VTMIS) relating to traffic within our ports and territorial waters, Ports Inspectorate Unit (PIU) relating to recreational, commercial and merchant vessel inspections including land management as Land Lord, Hydrography department relating to the safety of navigation in our ports and territorial waters. Maintaining and improving relationships with all stakeholders, including the Planning Authority, the Environment Resources Authority, the Armed Forces of Malta, Malta Police and Civil Protection Department. Assisting the Harbour Master with all related requirements to the Ports & Yachting Directorate, Transport Malta, which include policy making, the management of Government owned

berths and wharves and yacht marinas. Directly liaising and coordinating with Electrogas Malta responsible for the management of the FSU berthed at Delimara power station and LNG STS operations on all operational matters.

- 2014 - 2014 Master Mariner, on board M/V Phoenix. Vessel purchased to perform Humanitarian work in the central Mediterranean, MOAS (Migrant Offshore Aid Station). Responsibilities included, a major refit, which included the extending of her 1st deck to accommodate a flight deck, for the use of Remote Propelled aircrafts (RPA). Besides, her changing class from a private yacht to a non-conventional vessel required many upgrades both in the engine and deck department, not to mention, additional other work required by the Class and Code to which she fell under. Other responsibilities included the drafting of standard operating procedures (SOP), to include all operations relating to this mission. Liaising with Owners, Surveyor and Ship Yard, to ensure all works carried out on budget and within the allotted time frame.
- 2013 - 2014 Technical diving Instructor with TDI (Technical Diving International), teaching technical diving from Nitrox level course to Advanced Trimix level course. Also providing technical guided dives on WWI and WWII wrecks found around the Maltese archipelago waters. This included dive planning, gas analysis, logistics and transportation.
Recreational Instructor with ISDA (International Scuba Diving Academy) teaching Open water and Advanced open water courses.
- 2012 – 2012 **Employed with MOL LNG Transport (Europe) Ltd, London, United Kingdom.**
Employed as Master Mariner on board LNG carriers owned or part owned by Mitsui OSK Lines, within their fleet, chartered by RasGas and Qatar Gas of Qatar; Europe / Mediterranean Sea / Far East / USA East coast trade. This included Moss type, Membrane type including LNG's with Reliquefaction Plants.
- 2011 - 2012 **Employed with MOL LNG Transport (Europe) Ltd, London, United Kingdom.**
Employed as Chief Officer (Deck) on board LNG carriers owned or part owned by Mitsui OSK Lines, within their fleet, chartered by RasGas and Qatar Gas of Qatar ; Europe / Mediterranean Sea / Far East / USA East coast trade. This included Moss type, Membrane type including LNG's with Reliquefaction Plants.
- 2009 - 2010 **Consultancy in the Maritime sector for the private industry and commanding local Merchant vessels on local and international voyages.**

I have been providing local private companies with advice on the maritime sector allowing them to factor in reports into their business strategy to determine the financial feasibility of short term and long-term business plans. In addition, I have been providing support to local private companies and appointed to take command of some of their vessels on conveyance jobs and towing charters, both locally and on international voyages when required.

- 2009 **Employed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) with Gozo Channel Company Ltd. Malta.** *Included responsibilities as Fleet Operations Manager and Company Security Officer (CSO).*
Some of the areas in which I dedicated my time: Restructuring of Management to create a flat management structure with an Operations, Finance, Human Resources and Commercial head of departments including dedicating time to better communication and cooperation not to mention morale building within the Company, upgrading of ICT infrastructure to further stream line operations in view of reducing costs, improving efficiency of operations and providing a better service to clientele, assessing shipping schedules and revising accordingly to better suit public demand and ensure better capacity usage of vessels within fleet and at the same time reducing fuel consumption and improving rostering of personnel, reduced Company monthly expenses on a monthly basis, including salary, maintenance and fuel costs through better management of personnel and vessel operational deployment, improving the safety culture both on board and ashore through the introduction of operational measures and equipment to better suit the Company and employee including the revision of the Company's Safety Management System in line with the International Safety Management Code (ISM), directly involved in the ground work with respect to the introduction of the International Ship and Port Facility Security code prior to its implementation.
- 2004-2008 **Employed with Moltankship (EUROPE) Management LTD. Rotterdam, later MO LNG Transport (Europe) Ltd.**
Employed as First Officer and later as Chief Officer (Deck) on board LNG carriers owned or part owned by Mitsui OSK Lines, within their fleet, chartered by RasGas and Qatar Gas of Qatar; Europe / Mediterranean Sea / Far East / USA East coast trade. Vessels chartered by Ras Gas, Qatar, carrying liquefied natural gas.
- 2002-2003 **Employed with Medzone Ltd., Malta.**
Employed as Second Officer (Deck) on board C/V Euro Power; Mediterranean Sea / Black Sea trade, carrying containers in an open hatch type vessel.
- 2001 - 2002 **Employed with Medex Container services Ltd., Malta.**

Employed as Operations Executive, managing a number of feeder container vessels operating within the Mediterranean Sea. Responsibilities included route assessment and revision based on market and client requirements vis-à-vis cost management, stowage plans for all ports of call, bunker management including purchasing of bunkers and dealings with all port agents. Traveling extensively to cover the ports of call being serviced in the interest of maximizing agent/client requirements and ensuring an efficient cost-effective operation.

- 1998 - 2001 **Employed with Leif Høegh & Co ASA, Oslo, Norway.**
Employed as Second Officer (Deck) on board LNG carriers within their fleet; Far East / USA East coast trade. Vessels chartered by PERTAMINA, Indonesia, carrying liquefied natural gas. Far East trade. This included Moss type and Membrane type LNG vessels.
- 1996 - 1997 **General manager of Texlon Ltd., Manchester, UK**
Family-owned Company in the textile industry, focusing on international wholesale of textiles.
- 1995 - 1996 **Apprenticeship and seagoing service with Virtù Ferries Ltd., Malta.**
Employed as deck cadet on board SES Catamaran San Frangisk; employed as second officer; Mediterranean Sea trade.
- 1995 **Apprenticeship and seagoing service with Diamer Shipping Ltd., Malta.**
Employed as deck cadet and later chief mate on board M/V Mermaid, a general cargo and container vessel, chartered by Lys-Line, Oslo, Norway, North Sea trade.
- 1993 **Apprenticeship and seagoing service** with Falcon World Shipping SA on board M/V OBO Elif, managed by Marti Shipping and Trading Co. Ltd., Turkey.
Apprenticeship and seagoing service with Black Sea Shipping Co. Ltd., Ukraine, on board M/V Akademik Kuprevich, a Ro/Ro and container vessel, chartered by Valfracht Maritime Co. Ltd., Malta, North Sea and Mediterranean Sea trade.
Apprenticeship and seagoing service with Sougerka Maritime Co. Ltd., Greece, on board M/V Aden, a bulk carrier represented by Sorotto Ltd., Malta, North Atlantic Ocean, Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea trade.
- 1992 - 1993 **Apprenticeship and seagoing service** with Oceanway Co. Ltd., Malta, on board M/V Emma, a bulk carrier; Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea trade.

Conferences

2015	LNG for Shipping – Brussels, Belgium LNG Transport Forum – Valencia, Spain
2016	1 st EMSA LNG Bunkering Summit – Lisbon, Portugal
2017	Transas Global Conference – Malta 2 nd EMSA LNG Bunkering Workshop – Lisbon, Portugal Mediterranean AIS Regional Exchange System (MARES) – Rome, Italy
2018	LNG Bunkering Summit – Amsterdam, Netherlands EMSA Guidance on LNG Bunkering: Training & Workshop, EMSA Portugal
2023	Onshore Power Supply Operations, Hamburg ARACON, Alternative Fuels Course, Rotterdam ARACON Conference, Rotterdam
2024	Global Gateway Transport Investors Forum, Brussels International Bunker Industry Association IBIA, London International Maritime Organization, FAL48, London LNG Bunkering & Future Fuel Global Summit, London European Maritime Safety Agency, Administrative Board Meeting, Lisbon Malta Maritime Summit, Panelist on Sanctions, Malta 8 th Meeting of the International Hydrographic Organization, Monaco ARACON, Rotterdam
2025	International Bunker Industry Association IBIA, London International Maritime Organization, FAL48, London European Maritime Safety Agency, Administrative Board Meeting, Lisbon 9 th Meeting of the International Hydrographic Organization, Monaco ARACON, Rotterdam

Education

2007	Attended Warsash Maritime Centre, UK, following STCW 95 Reg II/2 Master Unlimited course.
2003 - 2004	Attended Warsash Maritime Centre, UK, following STCW 95 Reg II/2 Master and Chief Mate Unlimited course
1991 - 1995	Followed a three-phase course leading to a Certificate of Competency Class 3 (Deck), Nautical School, Malta.
1990 - 1991	Sixth Form at St Aloysius College, B 'Kara, Malta.

1978 - 1990	Primary and secondary education at St Edward's College, Cottonera, Malta. Passes in 11 GCE 'O' Levels.
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Qualifications

2023	Basic Safety Training Refresher – STCW 95 - ISTC, Malta Advanced Fire Fighting Refresher – STCW 95 – ISTC, Malta Proficiency in Survival Craft & Rescue Boats – STCW 95 A-V1/2-1 – MMRTC, Malta Re-validation of Master Mariner (Unlimited) Certificate of Competency.
2022	Completed a course in International Law of the Sea – under the Singapore Cooperation Programme, Training Award (E-Learning), conducted by the Centre for International Law, sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Singapore. Certificate of participation in the advanced training for Shipwrights ancient tradition and new technologies promoted by the Municipality of Monfalcone partner of the FRAMESPORT INTERREG ITALY-CROATIA project, which is performing coordinated initiatives and sustainable development of small ports in a strategic perspective.
2021	Master Certificate of Competency (No limitations) on vessels complying with the Commercial Vessel Regulations (S.L. 499.23) in line with the Training and Certification Guidance 2002.
2019	Completed a course on Competitive and Sustainable Ports – conducted by ST Electronics (Training & Simulation) Pte Ltd, Singapore
2017	Basic Safety Training Refresher – STCW 95 - ISTC, Malta Advanced Fire Fighting Refresher – STCW 95 – ISTC, Malta Proficiency in Survival Craft & Rescue Boats – STCW 95 A-V1/2-1 – MMRTC, Malta ECDIS – STCW 95 Reg. II/1 – MMRTC, Malta ECDIS Type Approval – Kelvin Hughes Manta Digital – MMRTC, Malta Re-validation of Master Mariner (Unlimited) Certificate of Competency
2016	Diploma for Harbour Masters – UKHMA, IHMA, MCA, IAPH
2015	TDI Helitrox ISC Megalodon eCCR diver ANDI eCCR Megalodon Exploration diver Level 4

2013/14	TDI Nitrox, Advanced Nitrox, Decompression procedures, Extended Range, Trimix and Advanced Trimix Instructor. ISDA (International Scuba Diving Academy) Scuba diver Instructor TDI Decompression Procedures, TDI Extended range, TDI Intro to Trimix & TDI Advanced Trimix Diver.
2012	Endorsement as Master Mariner issued by The Republic of Malta
2012	Endorsement as Master Mariner issued by The Marshall Islands
2012	ECDIS – JRC – Ship specific type approval – Seagull, Norway
2011	Bridge Team Management, Bijela, Montenegro
2011	Ship Safety Officer – Seagull, Norway
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2011	Endorsement as Master issued by The Republic of Panama.
2010	Basic Offshore safety induction and Emergency training BOSIET - OPITO
2009	Ship/Company Security Officer
2009	Training attestation as per Bureau Veritas in “The requirements of the ISM code”.
2007	STCW 95 Reg. II/2 Master Unlimited Certificate of Competency issued by The Maritime and Coastguard Agency, United Kingdom
2007	Endorsement as Master issued by The Commonwealth of the Bahamas.
2006	Endorsement as Chief Mate issued by The Republic of Liberia.
2006	Certificate of achievement in LNG Cargo Operations using Liquid Cargo Handling simulator.
2005	Kongsberg Automations systems Liquefied Natural Gas – Operators course
2005	Honeywell LNG Operators course
2005	Bridge Resource Management & ECDIS Training
2004	Ship security Officer (according to ISPS Code and SOLAS amendments 2002)
2004	STCW 95 Reg II/2 Master and Chief Mate Unlimited Certificate of Competency
2004	STCW 95 Regulation VI/3 and Section A-VI3 Advanced Fire fighting
2003	Navigation, Radar and ARPA simulator training (Management level) – STCW Reg II/2 – Table A-II/2. Certificate of proficiency for persons in charge of medical care aboard ship – STCW 95 Reg VI/4, para.2 and Code section A-VI/4-2.

2000	Automatic Radar Plotting Aids (ARPA) – STCW Reg II/1 – Table A-II/1.
1995	Certificate of Competency Class 3 (Deck).
1998	Liquefied Gas Tanker Safety Certificate. Global Maritime Distress Safety System Certificate (GMDSS).

Personal interests

Classic sailing yachts & boatbuilding, technical diving, Nautical history.

Languages

English, Italian, Maltese, and basic conversational French

Certificates can be forwarded on demand.