

PROJECT ACRONYM AND TITLE: Language and its Effect in Marine Engineering Communications (LEME)

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SUMMARY

One of the prerequisites for obtaining a certificate of competency for engine officers and chief engineers is the ability to manage the crew and to encourage team work on board (cf. *The Code of Qualifications and Seafarers' Certificates of Qualification first part – introductory provisions (Article 45) and the STCW Convention (Manilla 2010)*). This ability is necessarily related to the communication and language skills. This research aims to raise awareness about the need to improve language skills of engine room officers, to define which language skills are necessary (considering that they are not adequately defined by the STCW Convention, as is the case for deck officers) and to define ways of improving the information flow among crew members. It is well known that we can act through language and that misunderstandings, mistakes and damage most often occur owing to imprecisely defined messages, i.e. coded notifications.

The goal of the project is to establish a useful tool for acquiring the techniques for understanding messages and for efficient communication in Marine Engineering English, as well as for understanding the effects that language has in specific situations of everyday communication in the professional surroundings of the multicultural crew on board a ship.

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