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The European nautical-sport facilities are facing new challenges in the staff training field due to the globalization and the increasing importance of the port environment. To face these challenges, FEPORIS (Port Institute for Studies and Cooperation of the Valencian Region) leads the **SEATRaining Project**, an initiative in the training field addressed to nautical facilities employees. The aim of the project, included in the Leonardo Da Vinci's Programme, involves the acquisition of a specific training model for their professional development.

Therefore, SEATRaining was born as an answer to the new training needs emerged during the last years due to the nautical tourism growth. These requirements have been more evident, especially in the following fields: adaptation of users' services, environmental management, nautical sport facilities protection and security, information technology development, historical-artistic heritage maintenance of these facilities and renewal of nautical fleet and infrastructures.

SEATRaining is based on the conclusions of GESINPORTS project, co-financed under the Interreg IIC Community Initiative, which showed important training needs in this sector and a lack of European recognition of the professionals of the nautical-sport sector. It also takes into account the Maritime Policy Green Paper which points out the need to improve training in the port sector.

Through cooperation between associations, training and research centres, and nautical professional staff, SEATRaining will create a training, security and protection, environmental and port management experience exchange forum, in order to improve workers skills by means of a specific and adapted training program to the work requirements in this field.

SEATRaining sets up a starting point for the nautical sector growth, as it groups training organizations, national and European company associations and businessmen. This way the main European agents get involved in the project.

The first step will be to create a common catalogue of professional profiles, in order to enable a homogeneous recruitment processes that will make access to the European labour market easier. The second step is to find the specific training needs in the areas where the project is going to be carried out, followed by the creation of a curriculum system and the development of pilot experiences.

The SEATRaining project led by FEPORIS, relies on different partners such as Spanish Federation of Marinas and Yacht Harbours Associations (Spain), Euromarina (France), Assonautica (Italy) and INNOREG (Hungary). Fundación Comunidad Valenciana-Región Europea (Spain) is responsible for the project's dissemination.

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Lifelong Learning Programme 2007-2013

The European Commission has integrated its various educational and training activities under a single umbrella, the **Lifelong Learning Programme for 2007 to 2013**, which enables individuals to pursue learning opportunities at all stages of their life.

This training programme differs from former ones in two ways: it is easier regarding the internal financial provisions and also regarding the bureaucratic requirements. The programme is also more decentralized and National Agencies of the participant countries will manage

80% of the funds.

The programme has quantified targets that are as follows:

- The **new Tempus programme**, the Tempus Plus, has widened its focus and now embraces school education, higher and adult education. It is estimated that by 2013 around 100 000 individuals will benefit from this programme.

- It is expected that **150 000 individuals** per year will be joining the Leonardo Programme (placement in enterprises) until 2013.

- One out of twenty students from educational centres of the European Union will take part in the Comenius Programme (exchange students) between 2007-2013.

- It is estimated that **three million students** will benefit from the **Erasmus Programme** (Higher education exchange students) by 2010. This means that the amount of students (120000) will triple every year.

Next call for the Long Learning Programme is expected at the beginning of 2009.



Seatraining Project webpage

The Seatraining project has developed a web page (<http://www.seatraining.info>) that holds

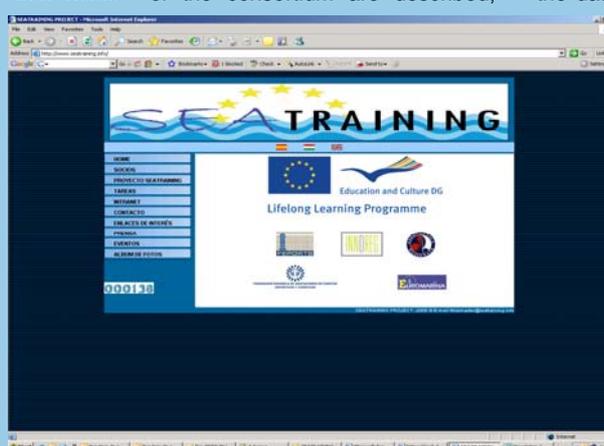
information related to the proposal as well as to the activities and actions carried out. Its structure is very simple so as to ease the access to information.

It is organized in two parts: a menu on the left part where people who would like to access the program can select the contents and the main screen where the area accessed can be visualized.

The following sections can be consulted: **Partners**, where members of the consortium are described;

the concrete actions to carry out are explained; **Contact**, contains the data to contact the project leaders;

Links, with a direct access to interesting links; **Press**, where the impact on the media is collected; **Events**, listing of actions and events in which the project has participated until now; and **Pictures**, with pictures from the meetings and encounters of the project.



Seatraining Project, where the Project and the objectives pursued are described; **Tasks**, where

Moreover, there is a part solely for registered users in the **Intranet** section.





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FEPORIS, Seatraining Leader



FEPORIS (Port Institute for Studies and Co-Operation in the Valencian Region) is a non-profit organization of general interest, established jointly by the Valencian Regional Government (Generalitat) and the Port Authorities of Alicante, Castellón and Valencia, in April of 1998 and opened to participation of other organizations and stakeholders.

The Institute is constituted on the basis of the Law 30/1994 of November 24th of "Foundation and Tax Incentives to Private Contributions in Activities of General Interest", and it's hosted under the Protectorate of the Generalitat, in conformity with what is planned in the Valencian Government Decree 60/1995 of April 18th, concerning the creation of the Register and Protectorate of Foundations in the Valencian Community.

FEPORIS is an organization aimed at developing activities in the fields of studies & research, education & training, cooperation and culture in the port sector, and operates not only in the Valencian Region territory but also at national and international level.

The Institute relies on a large staff (21 people), specialized in maritime and port matters and who has a broad experience in these areas.

FEPORIS will lead the consortium for the Seatraining Project.

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Initial conference for the project

Brussels, February 2008

The past 5 February the Seatraining project held its initial conference in the Delegation of the Comunitat Valenciana in Brussels, which meant the launch of the project. The Seatraining partners participated in it, and its goal was to analyze and assign actions and activities that will be carried out throughout the life of the project.

The initial conference was organized by FEPORIS, in collaboration with the Fundación Comunidad Valenciana-Región Europea, in charge of disseminating the event.

During this conference, they treated the subject of the impor-

tance of training for the marinas staff, the necessity of creating a standard to train these workers, as well as the situation of the marinas in the Mediterranean and in the new emerging countries.

Subsequently, and in order to finalize the initial conference for the project a round table, in which participated European training organi-



zations, like the European Commission Maritime Policy Department, and the Sport Unit of the European Commission Directorate-General Education and Culture, was held.



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The Spanish Federation of Marinas and Yacht Harbours Associations (FEAPDT) is composed of the Associations of Catalonia, Balearic Islands, Valencian Community, Murcia, Canary Islands, and North of Spain, which represent more than 300 facilities.

It acts as the highest authority for the representation and defence of its members' legitimate interests, and it has, amongst others, the following purposes; help for the development and the improvement of the marinas; members' collective representation before public and private organizations in order to manage any agreement designed to develop and improve the sector and its associates; participation, with both public and private organizations, in the making of rules that have a direct or indirect impact in the administrative concessions of fields in the public sector to build, manage and run marinas and yacht harbours; manage and coordinate its members' common and business interests, in all nautical, tourist, technical, economical, work, training aspects.

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Euromarina is an organization that brings together national marinas associations and federations from all the member countries of the European Union in a single organization.

In order to adapt the EU principles concerning the free movement of people, free circulation of goods and services in sea and river ports, so as to unify the general criteria for the navigation development, the main goals are: promote sustainable development and quality of port facilities; improve the port equipment; improve and optimize services, facilities' and users' safety, and port management; set up training programs for workers in leisure ports; promote the adoption of management policies aimed at protecting the marine environment; develop nautical tourism and leisure navigation; and organize international forums to exchange experience and information related to technical, legal, economic and management aspects between the nautical tourism actors.

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Assonautica of Union Camere (Association of the Italian Union of the Chambers of Commerce) is an Italian non-profit institution that in-

cludes 32 Chambers of Commerce and two regional organizations aimed at protecting the interests of the leisure navigation practice and promoting the general development within the port sector.

Assonautica works at developing the nautical tourism in Italia. It promotes the nautical tourism in Sicily too. All Assonautica's activities encourage concentration and a highest respect and care for the marine environment.

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