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Welcome to the first newsletter of ONBOARD



The **ONBOARD Project – Development of technical profiles and training curriculum for the ports and logistics' sector** is a two years' project co-funded under Erasmus+ programme, that aims to design, implement and validate an apprenticeship's model for ports and logistics sector, supporting new VET profiles and curricula, and fostering an effective cooperation structure between VET providers and business representatives of the maritime sector.

The project is led by INOVA+ and gathers partners from Portugal, the UK and Ireland. For further details consult the project website at www.onboard-project.eu

Meet ONBOARD in just 3 minutes!



Ports and logistics: evolution, present and trends!

How can we characterize the ports and logistics sector in terms of qualification needs (training) and trends?

To respond to this and other questions, the Onboard consortium launched a survey at a European level. The aim of the survey was to collect information about the qualification needs and trends in terms of professional profiles of training managers, in-company trainers/tutors, managers, human resources managers, experts and workers of SMEs of ports and logistics from the maritime sector.

Based on the results of the survey, the consortium completed a range of interviews with relevant industry stakeholders from Portugal, the UK and Ireland, focusing on technical profiles and key skills relevant for the development of the sector. The objective was to further investigate the findings of the surveys.

The surveys and the interviews were carried out in the early stages of the project to actively engage the project's stakeholders in the characterization of the ports and logistic sector in terms of evolution, needs (training) and trends.



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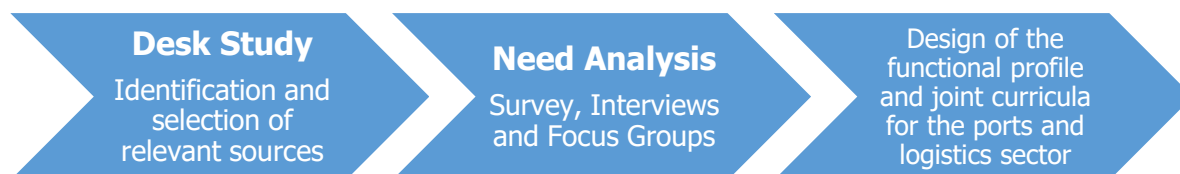
Focus group to discuss training offers, needs and trends of Ports and Logistic Sectors in Portugal

Fórum Oceano organised, in collaboration with the Portuguese partners INOVA+ and ISCIA, a Focus Group to validate the intermediate results about training offers, needs and trends of the Ports and Logistic Sector.

The initiative was completed during the meeting of Forum Oceano's Working Group on Employment and Training, which took place in Lisbon, on June the 6th. The meeting was attended by 17 participants with experience, knowledge and/or interest on subjects related to skills, employment and training and the sectors of Ports, Maritime transport and Logistics. INOVA+, which is the leading partner of the project, explained the context of Focus Group discussion, presenting the main and intermediate results of Onboard, namely, the results of the survey and of the stakeholder's interviews.

The Focus Group discussion focused on these results and it was important for hearing the participant's opinion and for collecting relevant information to accomplish the project objectives. One of the main conclusions of the Focus Group was the creation of a working group or a platform to guarantee: the flexibility of development and update of technical profiles and to accelerate the process of promoting the match between learning outcomes and market needs. This working group or cluster should integrate the regulatory body of qualification and certification, VET providers, companies or representatives of companies, authorities and professionals of the sector.

Project progress: current and next steps



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