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PROGRESS OF THE ENVIRONAUT PROJECT

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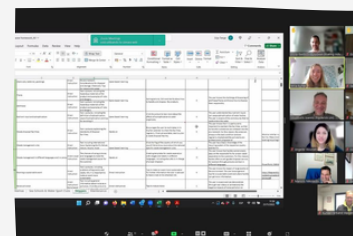
THE ENVIRONAUT PROJECT CONTINUES

What have we done during the first year on the project

At the very beginning of the EnviroNaut project, the partners designed a research questionnaire to identify the environmental challenges for the nautical tourism sector. The survey was addressed to different sub-sectors related to recreational boating. EnviroNaut partners contacted local networks including Marinas, Boat Maintenance companies, Charter companies, Diving schools and others. The interviews were conducted both online and face-to-face during the first semester of the project.

The results of the research questionnaire were presented and discussed during the second transnational partners meeting, which was held in Athens. The face-to-face meeting concluded with an introduction to the preliminary curriculum structure. The overall curriculum content was fully presented during an online workshop, where each partner described thoroughly the specific module under their responsibility.

The EnviroNaut course is on the way!



2ND PROJECT MEETING IN ATHENS

The second partners' meeting for the EnviroNaut project took place on the 18th and 19th of October 2022 in Athens, Greece. The meeting took place in the Flisvos Marina, which recently won a prize for sustainable management. Stavros Katsikadis, CEO of Flisvos Marina, welcomed the EnviroNaut team. During the meeting, the outcomes of the survey have been discussed. Afterwards, partners were introduced to the Articulate tool, which will be used for the course design. A result-driven discussion on the curriculum content followed and laid the groundwork for preparing the EnviroNaut course's structure.





THE GREEN CONNECTIONS OF THE BLUE WATERS

ENVIRONAUT AT CBSMALLPORTS CONFERENCE



EnviroNaut was presented by Philip Easthill - Secretary-General of the European Boating Industry - at the conference event "The Green Connections of the Blue Waters", which was organised by the Interreg project CBSmall Ports in August 2022. Background information on EnviroNaut's objectives was presented to the regional stakeholders of the Baltic Sea, who were invited afterwards to get involved by responding to the research questionnaire regarding the skills gaps in the nautical sector.

OCEAN TRAINING 2023

ENVIRONAUT AT OCEAN EDUCATION AND TRAINING CONFERENCE



Early in January, the first Conference on Ocean Training and Education was held in Ghent, Belgium. The conference attendees were mainly researchers, marine sciences professors, master students, PhD candidates, UNESCO delegates, and non-profit organization members. EnviroNaut has been introduced with a flash presentation by Evelina idini - Scientific Project Assistant of the German Ocean Foundation - with expertise in marine biology. We received positive feedback from the audience and people engaged in similar projects were interested in collaborating and assisting in our project's development phase.



BOOT DÜSSELDORF 2023

ENVIRONAUT AT 54TH INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW



EnviroNaut was present at Boot Düsseldorf 2023. On three different occasions, Clara Ubani - Project Officer of Sea Teach - highlighted the importance of the Environmental Officer position and explained how EnviroNaut's outcomes will promote this role in nautical tourism. Indicative examples of good and bad practices of the nautical and boating industry were presented along with the contribution of EnviroNaut's course on them in order to encourage the audience to participate in the evaluation of the curriculum. After the presentations, we had the opportunity to discuss with the attendees who were willing to participate in the testing phases. Additionally, the partners of Bundesverband Wassersportwirtschaft e.V. have been providing informative material about EnviroNaut and the progress of the project to the visitors of the exhibition



NEXT STEPS/ UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Do you want to get involved?

Partners have developed the following survey to ask for the advice of relevant stakeholders on the curriculum structure. Representatives of Marinas, Boat Maintenance companies, Charter companies, Diving schools and others will help us to figure out if the EnviroNaut course content covers the needs of the nautical sector

Are you willing to answer the questionnaire?

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MEET THE PARTNERS

Our 'Meet the Partners' series aims to introduce two partners in each newsletter. In this issue, we feature Sea Teach and the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA). Subscribe to our newsletter to learn more about the other project partners!

SEA TEACH

Sea Teach S.L. is an SME, operating as both a Sea School and as Charter Agency since 1999 in the touristic "hotspot" of the Balearic Islands. It is also a regional VET and Adult Education Centre and its courses are attended by students from many different EU Countries whose ages range from 18 years.

The school is authorised to examine and award certification to its students after the successful completion of the course. Sea Teach has used its business experiences to find solutions through Erasmus+ supported projects to improve the status quo for problems the company encountered in its daily operations.

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NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF ATHENS

NTUA was founded in 1837 and is one of the largest higher education institutions in Greece. In the academic community apart from the high-level educational role, NTUA promotes high-standard scientific research.

The Maritime Transport Laboratory operates as a research and educational unit within the School of Naval Architecture & Marine Engineering of the NTUA. The laboratory is involved in all areas of maritime transport research, has participated and participates in many research projects in the fields: technology, management, economics, logistics, human factor, environment and safety.



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