



2E3S presents Motorways of the Sea to Italian professionals

This past weekend 21 professionals from Italy embarked on a training course with the Escola Europea de Short Sea Shipping (2E3S) to discover the European Motorways of the Sea. The group comprised of representatives from Grimaldi Lines, the IB Innovation Consortium, Mec Shipping and Logistic SL, Arcese Trasporti Spa, Kortimed SRL, Intermodal Trasporti SRL, Terminal Traghetti Napoli SRL, Nicolosi Trasporti, Parteno Group, Transisole SRL, Sud Trasporti SRL, Sarlog, Trans Italia SRL, Gomma SRL - Merlini Group and Discovery Shipping. Together they took part in the first MOST Management course of the season, on board of a Grimaldi Lines Ro-Pax vessel in the crossing between Civitavecchia and Barcelona.

The course began in Civitavecchia, where the participants were greeted by the director of 2E3S Eduard Rodés, Malcolm Morini, Marketing Manager from the Port Authority of Civitevecchia, Francesca d'Orsi from Trasporte & Lavoro, and Marcello Donnarumma from Grimaldi Lines. Following a networking cocktail sponsored by the port authority, the group then boarded the vessel and began their hands-on experience of short sea shipping operations, European logistics and the Motorways of the Sea. The teaching staff included Ana Arévalo Commercial Manager, Port Authority of Barcelona; Andrea Campagna Consultant at the Escola Europea de Short Sea Shipping; Silvio Ferrando, Marketing and International Business Manager at the Port of Genoa; Francesco Benevolo, a Managing Director at RAM; Alessandro Feniello, Sales Freight Manager from Grandi Navi Veloci; and Giambattista Balletta, Shortsea Commercial director from Grimaldi Lines, among others. Upon arrival in Barcelona, the students explored the port of Barcelona's commitment to short sea shipping, as well as got the chance to explore the cultural aspects of the city. The course finished during the return of the vessel to Civitavecchia on Tuesday night.

Targeting professionals, this course gave a unique opportunity to network, discover short sea shipping operations first hand and learn about the European policy on transport, all the while travelling along one of the principal Motorways of the Sea in Europe. It was sponsored by the Italian Ports Association (Associazione dei Porti Italiani - Assoport), Confitarma (Confederazione Italian Armatori), Rete Autostrade Mediterranee (RAM), Trasporti & Lavoro and the European Shortsea Network.

During the autumn term 2E3S also has planned training courses for professionals coming from Spain (24-27 of October), France (27-29 of November) and Portugal (11-15 of December). The immensely practical courses



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will aim to provide a global and international view of intermodal transport in the countries of the Mediterranean basin.

About the Escola Europea de Short Sea Shipping

The Escola Europea de Short Sea Shipping is a European reference centre for training in logistics and intermodal transport. The company's objective is to promote intermodal transport as a basis towards the development of sustainable logistics in Europe.

2E3S courses aim to train participants in intermodal logistics, short sea shipping services (SSS) and the Motorways of the Sea in Europe. Through them, participants can observe and experience real intermodal transport operations during the trip from Spain to Italy. The courses are based on an experiential learning method, combining lectures, workshops, visits and practical work in groups. The Escola also places a great emphasis on networking activities, in order to encourage future business relationships and investments in joint ventures.

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