ONLINE TRAINING OF TRAINERS AND MARITIME INSPECTORS IN APPLICATION OF THE ILO MARITIME LABOUR CONVENTION, 2006

3 MAY – 4 JUNE 2021
5 WEEKS, 35 HRS

Information Note
BACKGROUND

The Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (MLC, 2006) of the International Labour Organization entered into force on 20 August 2013 – as amended in 2014, 2016 and 2018. Since then, there has been a strong momentum for widespread ratification. The Convention applies to most of the interested parties (Flag States, Port States and labour supplying countries).

Despite the high level of ratification challenges remain in the concrete application of the rights and obligations provided for the Convention. In this context, the maritime labour inspectors play an important role in the respect of the MLC, 2006 application. The proper application of labour legislation depends on an effective labour inspectorate. Labour inspectors examine how national labour standards are applied in the workplace and advise employers and workers on how to improve the application of national law in such areas as working time, wages, occupational safety and health, and child labour. In addition, labour inspectors bring to the notice of national authorities gaps and defects in national law. They play an important role in ensuring that labour law is applied equally to all employers and workers.

Recently, many countries are striving to make progress toward an effective implementation of the Convention with a particular focus on the need to set up and keep up an effective inspection system in compliance with the MLC, 2006 requirements.

The COVID-19 pandemic has severely disrupted the functioning of shipping and affected the work of nearly 2 million seafarers worldwide. Numerous governments and seafarers’ and ship owners’ organizations have turned to the International Labour Office (ILO) for guidance on how best to address the complexities of the current crisis in light of the provisions of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 (MLC, 2006), as amended.

WHO IS THE TARGET AUDIENCE

Trainers of maritime inspectors, including labour inspectors with experience of maritime inspection (maritime labour inspectors).

WHY SHOULD I JOIN

The e-learning course aims to share information and good practices in the implementation of MLC 2006 as well as the recent amendments to the Convention, in order to:

• promote a sound application of the Convention at national and regional level;
• strengthen the capacity of Competent Authorities to implement the MLC, 2006 by training a core group of inspectors and trainers with a good level of understanding of the Convention and of inspection techniques;
• enhance cooperation and networking.
WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM THE COURSE

At the end of the e-learning course, participants should be able to:

• demonstrate a good level of understanding of the MLC, 2006 and explain its key concepts, its implications and its practical application in the professional activity of maritime labour inspectors, including knowledge of the Guidelines for Flag State inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 and Guidelines or Port State Control Officers carrying out inspections under the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006;
• apply active learning methods in running workshops for maritime labour inspectors, using structured training materials expressly designed for the course and provided to participants;
• adapt the training materials to their own national laws and local practices; and
• organize, manage, facilitate, monitor and evaluate training activities for maritime labour inspectors in their own countries.

WHAT TOPICS DOES THIS COURSE COVER?

• The Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 and its Amendments:
  – Review of the relevant Articles,
  – Minimum requirements for seafarers to work on a ship,
  – Conditions of employment,
  – Accommodation, recreational facilities, food and catering,
  – Health protection, medical care, welfare and social security protection,
  – Compliance (including on-board and onshore complaint procedures).
• Certification and inspection systems under the MLC, 2006;
• Factors inspected: ship construction, facilities, and equipment (e.g. cabin size, bedding, sanitary facilities, ventilation, lighting, food and catering) and operational aspects (e.g. seafarers’ minimum age, medical fitness for duty, hours of work or rest, training, wages, medical care, occupational safety and health);
• Training methodology and interactive strategies and presentation skills.

HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANIZED

Participants will have access to:
 a) the E-Learning Modules (including exercises, case studies and evaluation);
 b) a dedicated Forum;
 c) the E-Library;
 d) the thematic Webinars that will be take place using the ZOOM platform.

WHAT IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE COURSE

The course is offered in English. A good command of the working language is required.
WHAT METHODS AND MATERIALS WILL BE USED

Throughout the programme, innovative digital solutions will allow the participants to step back from their daily professional life and reflect on recent case studies.

- The course runs at a distance on the ITCILO E-Campus.
- Participation requires approximately 7 hours each week.

WHO ARE THE RESOURCE PERSONS

Experts from the International Labour Office and trainers from the ITCILO.

HOW MUCH DOES THE COURSE COST

The tuition fee for the course is **950 Euros**.

ARE THERE ANY FELLOWSHIPS?

A very limited number of fellowships are available to qualified candidates coming from eligible countries.

As an Organization dedicated to promoting social justice and internationally recognized human and labour rights, the ILO is taking a leading role in international efforts to foster gender equality. In line with this ILO focus, women are particularly encouraged to apply to ITCILO courses.
WITHDRAWAL, CANCELLATION POLICY, AND REFUNDS FOR OPEN COURSES

If an enrolled participant wishes or must withdraw from a course, they may choose to apply to a different course or be substituted by another candidate. The participant must notify the Centre, in writing, of their decision at least 14 days prior to the start date of the course. Cancellation of participation in regular courses will result in the following penalties:

- 14 days or more prior to the start date of the course: No penalty, 100% refund of amount paid less applicable bank charges
- 8 to 13 days prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 50% of course price, refund of residual amount paid (if any) less applicable bank charges
- 7 days or less prior to the start date of the course: Penalty of 100% of course price.

INFO

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT
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