

## **Unique International Implementation of Quality Standards System in Maritime Education and Training throughout the World and in Turkey**

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Maritime Education and Training (MET) throughout the Globe is carried out in accordance with the International STCW (Standards of Training, Certification, and Watch keeping for Seafarers 1978) Convention(as amended in 1995, 1997, and very recently in 2010) of International Maritime Organisation (IMO), a sub United Nations Organisation. Code A of STCW Convention enholds the mandatory provisions to be maintained by Parties in order to give full and complete effect to the Convention whereas Code B enholds recommended guidance to assist Parties to the Convention as recently amended in 2010.

Moreover, IMO and White List Exercise of STCW 2010 identifies the STCW Parties which had been found to give full and complete effect to the provisions of the revised STCW Convention whereas IMO and Quality Standards Exercise of STCW carries out an independent evaluation on sight, covering all aspects of training and the administration of the certification system; conducted at intervals of not more than 5 years through IMO Competent Person Panels assessing Country Reports of Administrations which are Parties to IMO.

This paper will describe types and concepts of Maritime Education and Training (MET) on worldwide basis as well as the implementation of the IMO Quality Standards System in Turkey in MET Institutions through the liaison of Higher Education Council (YÖK) and Ministry of Transportation, Maritime Affairs and Communications of Turkey (MTMACT), the Administration which is Party to IMO.

The General strengths and some weaknesses of the Maritime Education and Training System in Turkey in comparison with the rest of the World, as documented by IMO and EU /EMSA will be introduced.

2023 Strategic MET Plan of newly inaugurated Piri Reis University for Turkey named after the famous Ottoman-Turkish Admiral and Cartographer; cooperating in close liaison with the MTMACT, Higher Education Council, Ministry of Education, and Chamber of Shipping of Turkey will be presented.

The Role and Impact of the short/medium/long term goals of Piri Reis Maritime University designed to serve as the MET Center of Excellence of Turkey with her Internationally accredited Green Campus, state of the art facilities, and training equipment to serve not only for her own students but also to the other MET Institutions in the area sharing all her MET capacity with the intention of contributing effectively decreasing the shortage of seafaring officers in Turkey and throughout the world will be explained in detail.

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