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SECTORIAL COMMITTEE TO PARTICIPATE IN 8TH EDITION OF IMQ INTERNSHIPS FAIR!

Susan and Josée-Ève will head for the Institut maritime du Québec in Rimouski on January 31 and February 1 to meet with students to give them tools and information about career opportunities in the marine industry and talk to them about the Sectorial Committee and its mission.

FIRST SEAMANSHIP PROGRAM COHORT!

On Monday, January 8, the Centre de formation en mécanique de véhicules lourds (CFMVL - heavy vehicle mechanics training centre) of the Commission scolaire des Navigateurs (CSDN - school board) welcomed its first cohort of students for the new seamanship program. CFMVL Director Daniel-Étienne Vachon called the day, which was the culmination of several years' efforts by the marine industry, "historic for the centre and for Québec as a whole". The program was developed and is being given in close collaboration with the Institut maritime du Québec's (IMQ - Québec maritime institute) Centre de formation aux mesures d'urgence (CFMU - emergency measures training centre). The Sectorial Committee is proud of the outcome of this project, which meets a crying need within the industry.

The DEP in seamanship is the first program leading to a Secondary School Vocational Diploma (SSVD) to be created in 20 years in Québec.

Quite the feat!

To read the press release (French only): <http://bit.ly/2CSZwEI>

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IMPORTANT NOTE — EMPLOI-QUÉBEC FI- NANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR REGULATORY MARINE-SECTOR TRAI- NING

Companies had until January 16 to use the funds granted in the fall round under Emploi-Québec's financial assistance program for regulatory training in the marine sector.

Unused funding is now available for all marine-sector companies with eligible candidates and training needs.

Companies must contact the IMQ's Centre de formation aux mesures d'urgence (CFMU - emergency measures training centre) to register their participants for the courses. In collaboration with the CFMU, we will process requests on a first come, first served basis in keeping with the Sectorial Committee's criteria of fairness and effectiveness.

REMINDER — MARINE PERSONNEL REGULATIONS WORKSHOP IN FEBRUARY!

For the Sectorial Committee, February is Marine Personnel Regulations workshop month!

Given the event's uncontested success, the Sectorial Committee is, once again, rallying marine-sector stakeholders around regulatory challenges and issues affecting navigating personnel training and certification. **Note that the workshop will be given at the Hôtel Plaza Québec on Blvd. Laurier in Québec City.**

Using the same formula as in past years, the Sectorial Committee has agreed with Transport Canada that the main marine personnel regulations-related elements raised in the workshop will be presented at the Regional Marine Advisory Council (RMAC) meeting to be held in March in Québec City. Further, under this agreement, Transport Canada representatives in Québec will ensure that workshop participants' questions and concerns are forwarded to Transport Canada marine regulations authorities in Ottawa for the appropriate follow-up.

The agenda for the Marine Personnel Regulations workshop will be sent to participants prior to the event.

Join us Wednesday, February 21 at the Hôtel Plaza Québec!

[Register form](#) (French)

Want to become a workshop partner? Consult the [partnership plan](#) (French only).

THE CANADIAN MARINE ADVISORY COUNCIL (CMAC) IS BACK

Transport Canada convened Canadian marine industry representatives to a Canadian Marine Advisory Council meeting on December 5-7, 2017. The Council had not met for 18 months. The Sectorial Committee attended the Standing Committee on Personnel's meeting on December 6. Claude Mailloux gave presentation summarizing the main results of the Marine Personnel Regulations workshop held in Québec City in February 2017.

The new Marine Personnel Regulations are still being developed. After originally being announced for January 1, 2017, their implementation has been postponed again, probably until 2019. A number of the subjects they cover, including the new provisions for SVO (Small Vessel Operator) certification and Marine Engineer certification, are still being discussed.

Transport Canada has announced its intention to return to the past rate of two meetings a year. Consequently, there will be another Advisory Council meeting in April 2018.



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RETURN OF THE FONDA- TION MONIQUE-FITZ-BACK DRAWING CONTEST

The Sectorial Committee is proud once again to be associated with the Fondation Monique-Fitz-Back for its annual drawing contest targeting the St. Lawrence MON FLEUVE INSPIRANT. As in previous years, the edukit the Fondation distributes to the schools includes an information booklet on maritime careers produced by the Sectorial Committee. This year's contest theme is "draw your dream activity linked to the St. Lawrence".

Do you know any young people who like to draw? The contest is open to participants aged 4 to 20 throughout Québec. There are several prizes, including a chance for contestants to see their dream come true! Deadline for submitting drawings: February 16, 2018.

Details and participation guide: [here](#)



GENERAL SHIPPING KNOWLEDGE TRAINING IN MONTRÉAL - ANOTHER UNDISPUTED SUCCESS!

The year 2018 got off to a solid start with the return of General Shipping Knowledge training on January 18 in Montréal.

In the UPA offices in Longueuil, Nicolas Parent, Senior Consultant with CPCS, gave the introductory training on the marine industry and its various stakeholders to 12 attendees interested in learning more about the sector.

Participants also had the opportunity to listen to two presentations by Montréal marine-sector organizations given by Daniel Olivier, Port of Montréal, and Alain Richard, Laurentian Pilotage Authority.

Daniel Olivier, Port of Montréal, spoke about port operations and detailed the large territory on which the facilities are located, explaining the port's mission, vision and values. The Port of Montréal is the second largest port in Canada and one of the country's most important. The new Alexandra Pier, a cruise ship terminal, was installed to celebrate Montréal's 375th anniversary.

Alain Richard, Laurentian Pilotage Authority, presented the history and importance of pilotage operations in Canada, describing the geographic zones where piloting occurs on the St. Lawrence River. He also touched on the pilot's role aboard ships arriving from abroad and the training courses pilots take.

A full day enjoyed by all present!



BOARD OF DIRECTORS NEWS

At its January 25, 2018 meeting, the Board of Directors adopted its new three-year plan for 2018-2021 as well as next year's action plan and budget. Board members met in the offices of the Centre de formation en mécanique de véhicules lourds (CFMVL - heavy vehicle mechanics training centre) in Lévis. The CFMVL is partnering with the IMQ for the DEP in seamanship program, and Board members were able to visit the facilities.

New director

At its previous meeting (November 2017), the Board endorsed the replacement of Martine Rivard, Canada Steamship Lines, by her colleague Dominique Cyr. Dominique is Director, Training and Organizational Development with the CSL Group. Her Board mandate will run until June 2018. Welcome to the Sectorial Committee, Dominique!