MARITIME INDUSTRY TRAINING NEEDS SURVEY

Unfortunately, the summer holidays are already coming to an end and September is here! To begin fall on the right foot, the Sectorial Committee team is working on preparing its annual maritime industry training needs survey. As you are probably aware, knowing the industry’s training- and skills-related requirements is central to the Sectorial Committee’s mandate. The annual survey enables us to draw up a list of Québec marine-sector organizations’ needs and to meet them.

Around mid-September, Sectorial Committee members will receive the 2017-2018 maritime industry training needs survey form by e-mail and are asked to complete and return it to us (it can also be printed, if you have trouble completing it).

Remember: your participation is essential. In addition to helping us adjust our training sessions to reflect members’ needs, the survey results are used in the process of allocating Emploi-Québec financial assistance for regulated training. Note that, once again this year, only survey respondents will be eligible for this financial assistance.

The survey helps us determine the marine industry’s needs for regulated training and other types of training. The survey results enable us to offer a better range of training sessions in close collaboration with the schools in question and are very useful for determining which training sessions the Sectorial Committee should offer.

If you know of enriching training sessions or subjects that are popular within the maritime industry, you are invited to indicate your suggestions on the survey form. We may well use your ideas!

Thank you in advance for returning the duly completed form to Susan Falkner sfalkner@csmoim.qc.ca no later than October 13, 2017.

STUDY ON LAND-BASED MARINE-SECTOR TRADES

In the last newsletter, we presented the main results of our study on land-based marine-sector trades in Québec and announced that the final report would soon be available. Done and done! Click here to consult the report on our website.
WELCOME ABOARD!

This year’s Sectorial Committee’s marine careers promotional event is the 10th edition. To mark the occasion, our team has decided to change the formula in order to reach as many people as possible. The 2017 edition will run in Montréal, on Saturday, October 28, 2017. The many activities on the agenda include workshops, booths, an exhibition, port tours, ship’s tours and much more! All youngsters and their families are invited to discover the exciting marine sector at the Port of Montreal’s Alexandra Pier!

To run a booth at the event, please contact Camille Langlois at 418-694-9059, ext. 223 or at clanglois@csmoim.qc.ca.

If you have questions or you need information, please contact us at maritime@csmoim.qc.ca.

BOARD AND EXECUTIVE COMPOSITION

The Board of Directors’ meeting and Sectorial Committee members’ annual general assembly (AGM) took place on June 8. As it does every year, the AGM elected the Board, whose members are as follows for 2017-2018 (the Executive Committee remains unchanged).

Board of Directors
Employers’ representatives:

- Serge Auclair, Montreal Port Authority
- Valérie Bélanger, Quebec Stevedoring Company Ltd.
- Joséé Bergeron, Montreal Gateway Terminals
- Manou Bernard, Ocean Group
- Guy Champagne, Croisières AML
- Martin Fournier, St. Lawrence Shipoperators
- Geneviève Gauthier, Logistec
- Lucie-Marie Gauthier, Fednav Ltée
- Pascal Lévesque, Transport Desgagnés
- Stéphane Morency, Maritime Employers Association
- Marc Patenaude, St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation
- Martine Rivard, Canada Steamship Lines
- Patrick Robitaille, Québec Port Authority
- Georges Tousignant, NEAS
- Christopher Woodward, Castaloop

Workers’ representatives:

- Alain Arseneault, Corporation des pilotes du Saint-Laurent central
- Albert Batten, Syndicat des vérificateurs
- Patrice Caron, Seafarers’ International Union of Canada
- Bruno Gagnon, Syndicat des Métallos, Local 9538
- Mario Lamy, Syndicat canadien de la fonction publique, Québec
- Stephen O’Brien, Unifor Québec, Local 4320
- Carl Robitaille, Corporation of Lower St. Lawrence Pilots

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Co-President, Employers’ Representative: Stéphane Morency, Maritime Employers Association
Co-President, Workers’ Representative: Patrice Caron, Seafarers’ International Union of Canada
Vice-President, Employers’ Representative: Martin Fournier, St. Lawrence Shipoperators
Vice-President, Workers’ Representative: Bruno Gagnon, Syndicat des Métallos, Local 9538

We are pleased to welcome Mr. Alain Auclair, new Assistant Director for ongoing training at the CFMU. At the same time, we would like to thank Mrs. Greta Bédard for the excellent cooperation she has done in our joint ventures. We congratulate her for the new position as Vice-President of exploitation at the Société des traversiers du Québec.

In July, the Sectorial Committee issued a call for tenders for proposals for developing three health and safety training modules on using lifting equipment in the maritime context.

The Working Group, comprising health and safety experts representing various marine-sector companies, will begin analyzing the proposals in late August so that production can begin in September. Delivery of the final product is scheduled for December 2017.

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