



Improving the course Lightering Phase 2



NEWSLETTER

The “Bergesen” project

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Project Status

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All 10 courses that were scheduled as part of the project, have now been completed. The last ones took place early November prior to the Bergesen workshop at SMSC. A total number of 27 senior officers took part in these courses. A project review meeting took place at SMSC in Trondheim on December 4. A number of recommendations were made on how to further improve the outcomes of the “Ship to Ship Lightering” course. Some of the recommendations are listed here:

- SMSC will prepare a visual image of gas carrier ship to be used for gas carrier lightering operations
- As part of Bergesen Training Policy it will be required that officers who enroll to the lightering course will have to complete the Pre-Course Handbook which will be made available on all Bergesen vessels as CD-ROM
- SMSC will redesign their website to add Frequently Asked

Questions for specific courses

- SMSC will start an “Ask an instructor” function on their website for officers having completed the Bergesen “Ship to Ship Lightering” course.

Bergesen will distribute the final post course evaluation questionnaire mid December 2003.

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The project objective is to improve the transfer of learning from a simulator course to real life operation.



Summary of “on course” questionnaires

Based on the answers to on course questionnaire we can conclude that the course is highly rated and that the expectations were met for all course participants. It has been commented that the visual image of own ship should be a Bergesen gas carrier. Some new exercises were suggested, such as an offloader at anchor and breaking away in heavy weather. The learning material should be made available on CD-ROM on board and in printed form for officers scheduled for course participation.

Cooperation between:

- *Bergesen*
- *SMSC*
- *NTC - Manila*
- *Marintek*
- *Started in April 2003*
- *Ends in December 2003*

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Post Course Evaluation Form

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| <p>A post course evaluation form has been developed by Bergesen and MARINTEK. It will be distributed to all 27</p> | <p>senior officers having completed the Phase 2 course at SMSC.</p> <p>Deadline for returning completed questionnaires will be mid January 2004.</p> | <p>MARINTEK will then prepare a summary of the post course evaluation forms by end of January 2004.</p> |
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Learning notes

5. Mooring

– Check the drawings of the STBL to find out where bollards are fitted when you plan the optimal position for mooring lines.

6. Radar

– Familiarize yourself with use of parallel indexing before you start the approach for a lightering operation.



Discussion topic



Each newsletter introduces a topic where readers are invited to forward their comments. A SMSC instructor will summarize the comments and prepare a short abstract in the next newsletter.

Here is the new discussion topic:

- **What are the necessary incentives for making the coming SMSC "Ask an Instructor" function a success?**

Please forward your comment to this question to Instructor Odd Sundklakk at SMSC

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before

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