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Why Training Matters

Digitalisation

Automation

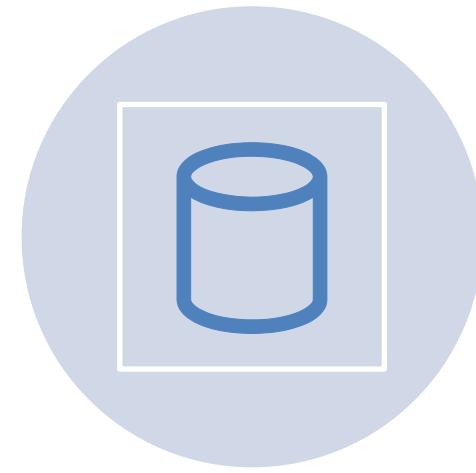
Environmental standards

Safety & interoperability

Directive 2017/2397



COMMON EU FRAMEWORK



BUT DIFFERENT NATIONAL
IMPLEMENTATIONS

Fragmentation Today



Different simulator use



Different training depth



Different exams

Why It Matters

Trust between
authorities

Crew mobility

Safety and
competitiveness

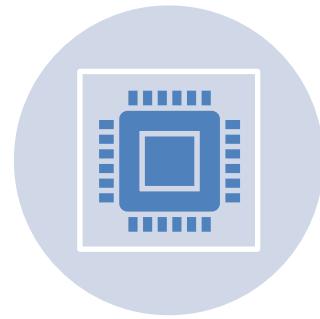
Role of EDINNA



HARMONISATION



QUALITY ASSURANCE



DIGITAL & SIMULATOR-
BASED LEARNING

Comparable qualifications require comparable training conditions.

Gaps in the System



Advanced navigation



Digital trace management



Energy efficient operations

We certify people for yesterday's ships while they are already working on tomorrow's vessels

Danube as Living Lab



Testing harmonised
models

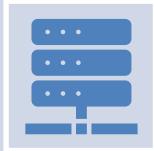


Piloting digital
formats



Building trust

Next Steps



Permanent DC-EDINNA platform



Pilot projects



European roadmap



Key Messages & Points for Joint Reflection

Shared understanding:

Rapid technological and regulatory change

High-quality training is essential

Directive 2017/2397 provides a strong foundation

Observed challenges:

Varying use of digital tools and simulators

Different training pathways

Non-comparable assessment practices

Thank You

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