

ACTIVITY OF EDUCATION ON MARINE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ON BOARD OF A VESSEL.

EUROFLEETS TASK 6.5

TECHNICAL FACTSHEET

1. NAME OF THE ACTIVITY: Introduction to the research of the ocean and seabed on board of the caravel "Vera Cruz"



Caravel "Vera Cruz", from Aporvela.

2. VENUE OF THE ACTIVITY: Tagus estuary, between the Area of Santa Apolónia and the 25 de Abril.













3. DATES OF THE ACTIVITY: 13-15 May 2013.

4. RESPONSIBLE INSTITUTION: FUNDAÇÃO EUROCEAN

5. RESPONSIBLE INVESTIGATOR: PROF. LUIS MENEZES PINHEIRO (UNIVERSITY OF AVEIRO).

6. SCIENTIFIC SUPERVISION:

PROF. LUIS MENEZES PINHEIRO, UNIVERSITY OF AVEIRO

PROF. ISABEL AMBAR, UNIVERSITY OF LISBON

7. ORGANIZATION OF THE ACTIVITY: UNIVERSITY OF AVEIRO (DEPARTMENT OF GEOSCIENCES AND ASSOCIATED LABORATORY CESAM) AND FUNDAÇÃO EUROCEAN

8. COOPERATING INSTITUTIONS: INSTITUTE OF OCEANOGRAPHY, UNIVERSITY OF LISBON E APORVELA.

9. ACTIVITIES ON BOARD OF THE VESSEL:

9.1 Presentation of Key Concepts

- Safety Rules on board;
- Introduction to the history of the "Vera Cruz" Caravel and its importance in the Portuguese discoveries;
- The importance / necessity of Research vessels in Marine Science;
- Introductory concepts of Navigation and Positioning Systems;
- Importance of the study of the Seabed Geology and Sub-surface, in particular what concerns the study of mineral and energy resources, the plate tectonics and geological risks, and archaeological heritage;
- Importance of Physical Oceanography for the study of the physical properties of the ocean, in particular, currents, temperature and salinity, and their implications for ocean-atmosphere interaction;
- Explanation of the geophysical methods, mainly Side Scan Sonar and reflection profiles of High-Resolution seismic - Chirp Sonar;
- Presentation of the methods used in Physical Oceanography to measure the temperature and salinity of the water column (CTD) and currents (current meter).









9. 2 Monitoring of data acquisition during cruise and observation of the equipment used:

- Real-time acquisition of profiles of side-scan sonar and high resolution seismic of reflection Chirp Sonar.
- Acquisition in real-time of temperature and salinity profiles (CTD) and current profiles (current meter).

9.3 Educational quizzes

• In the Script of the visit was included a series of questions about the concepts and fundamental knowledge acquired aboard. These questions should be answered by the students on board and corrected later by Teachers of Schools.

10. PARTICIPANTS:

SCHOOL	Responsible teacher	Grade	N⁰ Students	N⁰ Professors	Date of the activity	Time
Escola Básica e Secundária de Lanheses, VIANA	Ricardo Carvalhido	7	31	3	13-May	14-18H
Escola Josefa de Óbidos, LISBOA	Duarte Sogalho	12 e 11	21	3	14- May	09-13H
Escola Secundária José Macedo Fragateiro, OVAR	António Gonçalves	10	29	2	14- May	14-18H
Escola EB72, Padre Bartolomeu de Gusmão, LISBOA	Jorge Ferreira	4	24	3	15- May	09-13H
Agrupamento Martim de Freitas, Escola B23, COIMBRA	Patrícia de Jesus	8	20	3	15- May	14-18H





