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NMP re-opens ECDIS course

Tacloban City - The National Maritime Polytechnic (NMP) announces the re-opening of the course on Operational Use of Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS) starting March 22, 2010.

ECDIS course was initially offered in 2002 but was suspended due to low market demand. However, the recent proclamation of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) on the full enforcement of ECDIS in 2011 requires that seafarers working on board ships fitted with ECDIS should have undergone training on the use of ECDIS equipment.

NMP OIC-Executive Director, Ms. Grace Marie T. Ayaso said, "The re-opening of ECDIS course is a timely response of the NMP to this international requirement. Our Filipino seafarers could stay globally competitive when seeking employment onboard ships plying international voyage especially modern merchant ships fitted with ECDIS."


The 5-day course will provide trainees with the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be competent in the use of ECDIS for safe navigation. Topics include principal types of electronic chart, essential legal aspects of the use of ECDIS, navigational functions of ECDIS, route planning and monitoring, proper management of ECDIS data and their presentation, among others.

The training fee is Php 2,500.00 and is intended for experienced marine deck officers.

For reservations, please contact the Registrar at telephone numbers at (053) 321-3356/321-3352/3353 or e-mail us at info@nmp.gov.ph. (Maria Sandra M. Gallardo)

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