

Information System

Embarkation - Disembarkation



The information system, created within the framework of Objective-1 regions with the National Operational Programme (NOP) for Fishery, aims to create an archive of manpower working in the fishery sector. The system was set up by the National Fishery Observatory, an organisation which has been dealing with this type of research since 1994.

In the past the certifications and qualifications for seamen were held at the marine office of first enrolment or notified to the competent port authority. Because of the difficulty of finding documents from different towns, the enlistment operations outside the specific area of competence were long and complex. The creation of a national computerised data bank of seamen, which also includes the archive of individual qualifications and certifications (medical certificates, record of embarkations), will minimise and therefore speed up the embarkation and disembarkation procedures. Thanks to a smart card, the seaman will be able to execute these operations in real time, with virtual copies of documents necessary to activate the procedure.

The operators of the various Maritime Offices will also have their own smart cards to ensure the correct access procedure to the system, thus facilitating recognition operations. Information is filtered through a system which allows only registered users to handle the data.

The information system also provides a large amount of data from which it is possible to extract statistical analyses on the state of the fishing industry. In particular:

- the distribution of fishing companies against the different enrolment offices,
- the distribution of seamen against the different sectors,
- the monthly trend in movements among the various sectors,
- the embarkation/disembarkation comparison among different sectors,
- the number of seamen currently embarked, also divided by sector.