



# How do we future-proof seafarers?

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## The Brussels Update April

In this new episode of *The Brussels Update* one central question is posed: how do we prepare seafarers for changes in the maritime sector?

Watch the video below where Pieter-Ruurd Illes talks with experts from maritime education and policy fields. Together they explore how education can respond to technological innovation, digitalization, and sustainability.

In this episode:

- **Future-oriented education:** Conversations with students and teachers from the Rotterdam Mainport Institute and HZ University of Applied Sciences about what is needed now to adequately prepare future seafarers.
- **International policy:** Noa Vork (KVNR) explains the revision of the international STCW convention, an important step towards resilient maritime education and qualifications.
- **The Brussels perspective:** Pieter-Ruurd discusses with Douwe van der Meulen (European Shipowners / ECSA) how Europe views the challenges and opportunities within the sector.



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