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Higher Education Institutions Institutional Cooperation Instrument

MARIBILIS

Improving Maritime Education of Namibia with Double Degree Program of Maritime Engineering and with the Integration of R/V MIRABILIS as a Living Lab

Academic Disciplines Engineering, Education

Project Budget (MFA Funding and Total)

Budget by Higher Education Institutions

Coordinating HEI	Satakunta University of Applied Sciences	Finland	572 788,43
Partner 1	Namibia University of Science and Technology	Namibia	302 140,61

Overall budget of all HEIs

874 929,04 €

Budget for Finnish HEIs 572 788,43 €

Budget for partner country HEIs 302 140,61 €

Project Duration 1.3.2017 – 30.3.2020

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Affiliate Partners Namibian Maritime and Fisheries Institute, Namibia



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Description of the Project

MARIBILIS project will develop higher education competences in the field of maritime, fisheries and logistics in Namibia.

The impact of this supplement project is to reinforce Namibian's economy by decreasing unemployment of young people and generating more job possibilities in the field of maritime and fisheries nationally and internationally. In order to reach the wished outcomes, the activities include building a double degree program in maritime engineering. The lead partner is Satakunta University of Applied Sciences, Faculty of Logistics and Maritime Technology), while Namibia University of Science and Technology, School of Engineering will represent the ODA Recipient country partnership in Namibia.

The project strongly includes integration of the research vessel R/V MIRABILIS, Republic of Namibia (sold from STX Rauma Finland shipyard to Namibia Republic in 2011) into the NUST double degree programmes in maritime engineering and in electricity, as a living lab environment. R/V MIRABILIS has ensured continuous advanced marine research, which is critical for the sustainability of the Namibian fisheries industry, as the vessel meets the latest standards set to the type. However, the vessel has severe problems in safety due to unsatisfactory maintenance in electric system, since the staff competences has not met the skills requirements. MARIBILIS will improve these competences to reduce the gap.

The MARIBILIS project is a supplement project to continue the work done in Marine Research Capacity Development in Namibia (MARINAM) project 2012 – 2015, and Improving the Maritime education in Namibia (MARIBIA) project 2013 – 2015. The owner of the project is Namibia University of Science and Technology.

The project is in line with the objectives of Finland's Development Policy Programme. It supports not only the maritime cluster of Namibia but also the field of fisheries and logistics by promoting the rise and preservation of sustainable jobs in these three fields.

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