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TOP obtains VCU Certification!

TOP has successfully passed the VCU audit!

The VCU certificate is intended for work involving increased risks, for example in the construction industry. Temporary employment agencies are not legally obliged to work with a VCU certificate but there are more and more commissioning companies that ask for that certificate. The companies that do ask for certified temporary employees are generally very satisfied with the functioning of the VCU certification. In this context, a Shell spokesperson states that it is reassuring to know that all employees are properly instructed in the working conditions, the nature of the work and the possible risky situations that may occur. "TOP has obtained the certificate to give their temporary employees the best possible preparation to fulfil their jobs safe & sound".

Highlighted: VCU



HAZID on location in Romania

Boudewijn Baan was asked to facilitate a HAZID session. A versatile international group attended the HAZID session to become updated on the risks involved when bunkering cryogenic fluids. Boudewijn say's:



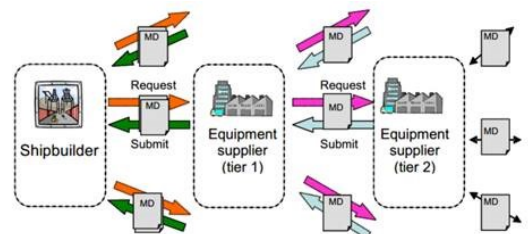
Our 3-day trip to Mangalia was very interesting and educative. After an excellent preparation in the Netherlands where I had meetings with both the Project Manager and the LNG Specialist of our client; we travelled to Romania to carry out a risk assessment with all stakeholders involved. Participants attended from 7 different countries with different expertise on bunkering, commissioning, electrical installation etc.. The outcome was a document describing the main risks and their mitigations to reduce them to ALARP. The ISO31000:2018 was followed during this process.

Highlighted: IHM — Inventory Hazardous Materials

Starting December 31 2020, the EU Ship Recycling Regulation (EU SRR) will be applicable for all vessels of 500 GT (new and existing) and above flying the flag of an EU/EEA member state, or third-party-flagged vessels calling at European ports. Those vessels will be required to carry an **Inventory Hazardous Materials (IHM)** on board which is certified. This means that a ship owner is responsible for the IHM Part I preparation of vessels in operation. This means that there has to be close contact with manufacturers, suppliers, etc. to gain all necessary information about the materials used in equipment and spare parts (e.g. MD's = Material Declarations).

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Regarding this inventory, several operational procedures, processes and work instructions are to be developed to certify that the Inventory will be properly set-up, maintained and always up-to-date. *For more information, see also: MEPC.269(68) 2015 Guidelines for the development of the inventory of hazardous materials - IHM.*



Coming Soon: Lean in Practice

