# International Transport Chain & Parties

**Roles and relationships in global maritime logistics**

This introductory course provides a comprehensive overview of the international maritime transport chain and its key players. You will learn about shipping lines, forwarders, terminal operators, customs authorities and port management organizations. The programme covers globalization, containerization, liner shipping and the roles of import and export parties. It is designed for professionals starting or advancing their career in the maritime and logistics sector.

## About this course

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| **Language** | English |
| **Education Format** | Online |
| **Type** | E-learning/self-study |

## General information

Transport of goods by sea has always played a vital role in the global economy and will continue to be of great importance due to ever increasing globalisation and liberalisation of markets. The growth of seaborne trade has also had its impact on ports as they are the link between the sea and land. Globalization emphasises the need for efficiency and cost reduction in the transport chain, including port operations.

Without organizing international trade, we would be unable to get products from A to B. There are many actors involved when organising the flow of goods. We all benefit from products that are not available in our backyard. But the flow of goods (raw material and end products) has an impact on the way how we organize transport. Standardization, regulation, roles and responsibilities of the actors involved, contribute to the successful movement of goods. Where do actors have to deal with? What functions do they have? What regulations are in place? What are INCOTERMS and why are they so important in the process? What is the role of IT? What do shipowners have to consider in the decision- making process? Knowing these answers will take you on top of the process, understand the industry and play a significant role in your day-to-day business. The complexity of the processes will be made understandable, enabling you to play a powerful role in (a part of) the chain. Within 30 hours, you have the chance to obtain this valuable certificate.

## Programme

The following topics are discussed in this course:

- Introduction to transportation
- Transport chain
- Maritime and Intermodal transport
- Globalisation
- The container revolution
- Liner Shipping Export & Import
- Transport Law

## Result

After successful completion of the International Transport Chain & Parties course the participant will be able to:

- Have gained knowledge and understanding of the concept of globalisation and how it has changed our world into a global village, where trade routes have exponentially grown into massive transportation streams.
- Have gained knowledge about the influence of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) and the introduction of Incoterms on globalisation, thereby being fully aware that containerisation is a facilitator of this enormous growth.
- Be able to describe the processes within the transport chain, whereby all the players in the chain can be highlighted on their specific functions.
- Have an helicopter view on the transport chain, thereby understanding its strength due to speed and reliability of transport both over sea and land as well as through transfer points, like port and inland terminals.
- Have an understanding on the importance of ICT allowing information flows to go hand in hand with the physical transfer of goods from one part of the world to another.
- Have gained knowledge and understanding of the requirements of ship owners, line operators, forwarders, sellers and buyers to run stable port operations as well as of the needs of shipping lines and the detailed process of liner shipping, including both export and import.

## Target audience

The course is specially designed for people starting working in the maritime, port, transport and logistics sector. This is an introductory course for:

- (Young) Professionals
- Finance, IT, paralegals, not engaged in the day to day operations
- (Junior) Managers
- Supervisors and team leaders
- Project managers

## Practical information

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| Entry requirements | The course is suitable for middle management/higher management and given on a Bachelor to a Master level. |
| Type of training | E-learning |
| Duration | 30 hours of self-study. |
| Language | Engels |
| Certificate | STC Next certificate |

The course will be provided in the English language

## Courses

| COURSES | START DATE | END DATE | LOCATION | BASE PRICE (FROM) |
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| International Transport Chain & Parties | 31 December 2026 | 31 December 2026 | Online | € 495,00 |

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