

Signature of a partnership convention between CORSICA linea and the French Maritime Academy (ENSM)

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Pierre-Antoine VILLANOVA, CORSICA linea's Managing Director, and Patrice LAPORTE, French Maritime Academy's Managing Director signed, on 7 February, a partnership convention dedicated to the promotion of the Academy and its training offers in Corsica.

In order to raise the Corsican pupil's awareness of the maritime careers opportunities, the Academy and CORSICA linea decided to combine their efforts to increase the high-school pupils knowledge of the training courses the Academy has on offer and to develop their access to the initial courses to become merchant navy officers and engineer-level seafarers.

The most notable measure of this partnership consists in welcoming in Corsica, through CORSICA linea, the Academy's competitive entrance exam as early as 2020 – for the first time in the history of the Academy

Pierre-Antoine VILLANOVA, CORSICA linea's Managing Director : «It is of prime importance to us to make it easier for the young islanders to access the high-quality maritime courses, particularly qualifying and rewarding in terms of employment and careers perspectives. Opening a branch of the Academy's competitive exam in Corsica moves towards this approach, all the more dynamic, to serve our country»

Patrice LAPORTE, the French Maritime Academy's Managing Director : «In order to meet the maritime economy's actors' requirements, the Academy must recruit the best candidates who will become excellent merchant navy officers and engineer-level seafarers. We welcome CORSICA linea's commitment which will help promote the Academy's reputation to the young islanders and thus widen our basis for recruitment.»

Key figures

Currently, the number of candidates, from Corsican high-schools, at the Academy's competitive entrance exam is low:

- In 2018: 9 candidates to the Engineer-Level exam, 1 to the Engine Watchkeeping Officer (OCQM) exam (Engineer officer/Chief Engineer), 3 to the OCQPI selection (International Deck Watchkeeping Officer).
- In 2017: 10 to the Engineer-level exam, 1 to the OCQM exam and 2 to the OCQPI selection

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