





PORT NEWS

SMALL PORT SAFETY AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY

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PORTMATE: TEST IT YOURSELF!

We have been talking about it quite a lot in the past years, but finally it is here: PortMate ICT-tool is ready to be tested! Over the winter, PortMate team worked tirelessly to develop a tool that could help boaters and port operators in their hobby and occupation.

A first glimpse of it was given during the workshop held at Allt för Sjön in Stockholm at the beginning of March. Now the PortMate ICT-tool is ready to be tested during the summer and all the feedback will be valuable in the definition of the latest details.

If you are curious, you can have a look at it at the following link: <u>portmate.eu</u> – remember, this is not the final look and many things are still being developed and will be added in the next weeks.

What will remain the central point of PortMate ICTtool is the focus on safety and resource efficiency. In fact, on the web and through apps, there are several service providers for sailors and port operators. However, we believe that our themes are crucial for boaters and port owners, and that it is very important to raise awareness on a different way to sail – one that is more conscious about risks and sustainable actions.



Current look of PortMate ICT-tool: visit it and check it out!

NEW VIDEO RELEASES!

Over the winter, PortMate team has not been idle! Several videos have been published and will be published in the next weeks.

Among others, more safe approach videos to PortMate small ports have been released: it is now possible to check how to approach several of our pilot ports in Sweden and Åland. The remainder of the videos will be published over the summer.

In addition, the online short course series has ended with the publication of the latest three videos concerning safety and the second part related to resource efficiency. In May, a new video about Sustainable solutions will be released.

Finally, a new series called "Most Risky Situations in Boating" was started: it is now possible to prepare yourselves for unexpected dangers while boating. All the videos can be found on our <u>website</u> and in <u>PortMate YouTube channel</u>.



Fyrhamnen small port in Söderhamn Photo by Kristiina Kortelainen

SMART SAILING TOWARDS SAFER AND GREENER SMALL PORTS

Cross border cooperation in the Baltic Sea

In March 2019, PortMate project partners met in Stockholm during the boat fair "Allt för Sjön". The highlight of the gathering was the workshop "Smart sailing towards safer and greener small ports". Following the success of the previous edition in Mariehamn (October 2018), PortMate team decided to restage a similar concept with a focus on cross border cooperation in the Baltic Sea. Several representatives presented outlooks of their projects with a resulting focal point on the possible synergies between them.

After the welcome words from PortMate project leader, Minna Keinänen-Toivola, Per-Olov Persson of the Municipality of Söderhamn presented the developments of Skärgårdsenheten in Söderhamn, followed by an overview on St Oval's Waterway by Patrik Sjölin and Ingemar Olofsson's presentation on Kompis project and its database. Shortly after, Björn Bertoft, EST-LAT harbours representative, showed how a different way to sail is possible with his 100% Sun Wind Water climate statement.

The last part of the workshop focused on PortMate as Agneta Svensson and Marita Olsson-Narving introduced the investments made - respectively in Söderhamn and in Gävle - before the first look of PortMate ICT-tool was revealed to the audience. PortMate ICT-tool focuses on safety and resource efficiency and it will be the main focus of the project in the next few months. The official release date for the beta version has been scheduled for the 9.5.2019 in PortMate workshop "Eloa merestä" (Life from the Sea) in Rauma – as part of the Meremme Tähden (For the Sake of Our Sea) event.



From left to right, Minna Keinänen-Toivola (PortMate), Björn Bertoft (EST-LAT harbours representative), Julija Jaunrodzina (EST-LAT harbours) and Teemu Heikkinen (PortMate) Photo by Alberto Lanzanova

PICTURES FROM THE WORKSHOP AT ALLT FÖR SJÖN



Minna Keinänen-Toivola introducing PortMate workshop to the crowd



Patrik Sjölin presenting CB St Olav's Waterway



Per-Olov Persson of the Municipality of Söderhamn



Marita Olsson-Narving introducing CB PortMate investments in Gävle



Ingemar Olofsson presentating Kompis



Björn Bertoft, EST-LAT harbour representative presented his sailing journey through the Baltic Sea using only renewable energy



Agneta Svensson presenting CB PortMate investmens in Söderhamn

(Photos by Alberto Lanzanova)

PORTMATE WORKSHOP " ELOA MERESTÄ" AT THE MEREMME TÄHDEN EVENT

On Europe Day 9.5.2019, PortMate will take part in the event Meremme Tähden in Rauma, Finland. Meremme Tähden – that could be translated as "For the Sake of Our Sea" – is about raising awareness on the condition of the Baltic Sea and it brings together several actors and organization from Finland.

PortMate will not only participate in the daily activities, but it will also organize and host a workshop with the title "Eloa Merestä" (Life from the Sea).

The main focus of the workshop will be the official

release of the beta version of PortMate ICT-tool which will be in use during the summer for both boaters and port operators to better plan their sailing season in a safer and more resource efficient way.

Meremme Tähden and PortMate workshop are free of charge and will be held in Finnish at Merikoulu campus (Suojantie 2), Rauma, Finland.

For more information <u>https://sub.samk.fi/events/</u> meremmetahden/



PORTMATE FINAL CONFERENCE

PortMate is heading towards its final steps. During the past 3 years we have achieved a lot of results in our pilot small ports thanks to the investments that improved both their safety and resource efficiency. This expertise was also translated into courses and videos in which PortMate experts explained best practices for both sailors and port operators, alongside tips and guidance on how to safely approach the small ports.

Now, everything is little by little transferring into

our new PortMate ICT-tool: the beta version will be available during the summer for testing and, based on the feedback we will receive, the final version will be unveiled during PortMate Final Conference on 12.9.2019 in Rauma, Finland.

Everyone is very welcome to join this day that will summarize PortMate activities, investments and results! The event is free of charge and it will be held in English!

For more information **PortMate website**



PORTMATE SAILING ROCKS THE BALTIC SEA!

Just like last year, PortMate will Rock the Baltic Sea! We are soon launching a social media campaign in collaboration with Rock the Baltic Sea. In the next weeks, follow us on social media for more information about it!

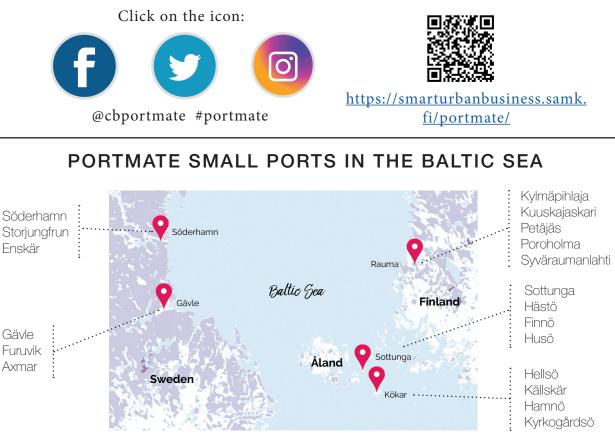


Teemu Heikkinen and Alberto Lanzanova Rocking the Baltic Sea! Photo by Kristiina Kortelainen



PORTMATE ON SOCIAL MEDIA

In the next weeks and months, we will provide several updates on PortMate ICT-tool, activities, investments and events. Be sure to follow us on our website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to be updated with everything is happening during the sailing season



All the videos concerning safe approach to the PortMate small ports have been filmed and most of them have already been published.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY 2019

Meremme tähden (Rauma, Finland)

SUMMER 2019

PortMate Sailing

Rauma, Finland

SEPTEMBER 2019

Final Conference (Rauma, Finland)

PORTMATE

FINANCIER

EU: Interreg Central Baltic Program

DURATION

1.11.2016-31.12.2019

BUDGET

EUR 2.7 million

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