## **Abstract**

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## Maritime English holds a great stake in the both safety and security of merchant vessels

Shipping is the industry that can be characterized as the largest international and the most globalised one, as about 90% of the world trade transported by sea? What we see today is a series of structural changes transformed the world's shipping industry to its today's globalised character? The number of the international maritime cooperation's appears to be increased as frames of multinational shipping companies formulating multicultural constellations in the goal of the shipping industry? Therefore, the era of mixed crews bodies of the maritime manpower various nationalities are existed? Furthermore, the world's largest fleets are attacked by crews multiculturalism, in fact mixed nationality crews are not a new phenomenon but it became a 'hot' issue nowadays? The human factor is often point out in the explanation of many of today's accidents at sea, so Communication difficulties often occur in these areas due in part to cultural languages differences but also due to language 'barriers'? IMO recent analyses illustrate the problem if there are any lessons to be learned for the future. The paper reveals the importance of maritime English, the language of the sea, as the fundamental of all communications between ship and shore members, and the needs of sufficient English language skills (on board ships, shipping companies members, and maritime instructors) that plays an important role in the development of safety and security on board merchant ships? Key words: maritime English –communications-Human element - different languages