

SEARICA EVENT RE BOATING AND WATER-BASED TOURISM, DEVELOPING A T EUROPEAN AND SUSTAINABLE NAUTICAL TOURISM

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New Challenges & New needs for European Maritime Tourism



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The French nautical industry:

- 5000+ companies
- ≈ 45 000 employees
- 5.3 billion euros annual revenue



- Travel & sailing agency 60 employees
- Network of +400 professionnal charter fleets
- 40M€ annual GMV

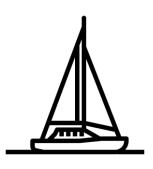






Blue Tourism is a Significant & Growing Market

Iconic activity: The weekly yacht charter





≈ 20,000 sailing yachts for bareboat charter with professional operators worldwide

30% of which are catamarans



10 % operated by french companies

⇔ 90M€ revenue

A large & diverse market...







- ✓ Motor & RIB
- ✓ Long-term charters + day charters
- ✓ Cabin charters, sailing courses
- ✓ C2C



= 230M€ revenue

in France in 2021

Growing & Changing



+ 5% annually



X2 skippers hired in the last 5 years







New challenges

Ecological transition & Sustainable growth



Products

- Eco-designed & durable boats
- Recycling



Infrastructures

- Improved port capacity
- Light mooring development
- Think new storage solutions



Practice

 Educating sailors & crew about the protection of marine ressources







New Needs

Mutual recognition of boating licenses



Where are are?

- Strictly national rules
- Lack of cooperation between national administrations
- Legal insecurity is an obstacle to the economic development of the sector



- Ineffective diploma recognition system
- Lack of mobility & difficult careers for skippers
- Daily concern for yacht charter companies
- Insufficient accompaniment for inexperienced sailors

What we need

- ➤ Better cooperation at the European level
- Harmonization of the rules / Mutual recognition of national licenses

Developing a legal framework for the mutual recognition of skipper qualifications for small commercial vessels at the EU level







Thank you for watching