



A SELECTION OF DIFFERENT EXAMPLES FROM THE EVERYDAY EXPERIENCE OF BOSKALIS | FEBRUARY 2016

BE AWARE OF SAFETY



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FRANK: “Everything you give attention to grows. With that in mind, we’ve introduced NINA all to stakeholders: client TenneT, EPIC contractors GE (previously Alstom) and Nordic Yards. We organized various NINA kickoff sessions with them, and this has been widely appreciated. The parties involved

embrace our approach because they know that safety is at the core of people’s behavior: being alert to safety.”

With the Dolwin III project, an HVDC (high voltage direct current) station was installed in the German Bight. The station is a hub for distribution of electricity. Boskalis Offshore Marine Contracting (Dockwise) towed this 20,000 ton building to its destination using a float-over method, on

jackets. Ahead of this, Boskalis Offshore Subsea Consulting ensured there was a prepared seabed.

LIEKE: “NINA gives us the basis from which to work together. We let our customers and partners see what we stand for. The fact that NINA is supported by top management generates trust. In HAZID (hazard identification) meetings, we jointly describe the most important risks in our work. We’ll discuss those risks in the NINA start-up meeting scheduled for February. We also formulate objectives based on NINA values. That’s how we ensure awareness, understanding and commitment.”

The operational phase of Dolwin III starts in March and will be completed in the summer.

NINA START UP FOR INSTALLATION V-SAT

This year the German-Italian company Telemar will install FleetXpress communication equipment on board all 104 staffed units. In preparation, a NINA Start-up was organised, including the technicians.

The idea for the NINA session came from Edgar van Oers (Fleet Manager): “I wanted to have a clear view of the mutual expectations, because we share responsibility. The Telemar technicians will be on board for one or two days. What do they need to work safely? In short: I wanted to start a conversation.” For Telemar it was the first time ever to have such a meeting before the actual work starts, says Technical Manager Wolf-Peter Kirsten: “Usually we go on board without knowing anything about a company’s safety culture. Now, we learned Boskalis’ values and rules

beforehand and we could share our point of view. It turned out we were not that far apart. Our technicians are always guests; now that they participated in this NINA session, it’s easier for them to speak up when they encounter an unsafe situation. That is a great plus: we now know that the entire organisation is committed to NINA.”

Looking back, Edgar is satisfied with the result: “The Start-up session turned out to be unifying. We have identified common goals and made some good arrangements. For instance: all units will be informed timely when Telemar is coming on board, so they can organise a short NINA session to go through the details.”

