

# NINA NO INJURIES NO ACCIDENTS AT WORK

A SELECTION OF DIFFERENT EXAMPLES FROM THE EVERYDAY EXPERIENCE OF BOSKALIS | JUNE 2013

## DON'T FORGET 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTIES!



### Jaap Verdoorn, project manager

In Sweden, we work with Eurobarges and a pusher owned by a third party. When I paid a visit on board, I saw several things occur during the coupling and decoupling processes that were not completely 'NINA-proof'. For instance, the equipment for moving between units was not completely adequate and once the two units were connected, suddenly the jumper was running down the middle of the gangway about ten centimeters above the deck. It's no wonder the crew kept looking down at the deck: there was a real risk of tripping!

When I brought it up, the crew said, 'We always do it like that'. Then you're faced with the dilemma of how to change people's minds. One thing I noticed is that the crew did not seem to make the connection with safety in any of their routines. Once I explained that with a few simple precautions, their jobs would be much safer, they

were more than happy to take my advice. It was a real eye-opener for them.

An extra staircase was added for switching units and an additional cable pulley was installed that kept the jumper to the side of the gangway.

It wasn't that expensive to create a safer working area. In other words, keep NINA in mind, also with third parties. Remember their crews and vessels, as they're involved in the same project team!

Next time in the NINA blog:  
Jan van der Kwast, captain of the Taurus.

## NINA AND SEM

NINA was recently also introduced at Smit Equipment Management (SEM) in Rotterdam. When asked about the NINA Do-It training, team leader Richard den Outer replied,

"At first I thought, 'Safety training? AGAIN?' But now I have to say, I wasn't bored for a minute. Usually, you just get a list of rules, but this time it really applied to us: it was about taking responsibility, working together, and alerting each other to unsafe practices. I was already doing the third one, but I learned that if you say it in a different tone of voice, you can really get someone to stop and think. You need to work within the rules and decide on the spot how to get the project done as safely as possible. It's a different way of looking at safety, but I do believe in it. When you give people more responsibility, they rise to the occasion."



Colleagues Smit Equipment Management (SEM)

SEM is responsible for the storage and maintenance of diving equipment for Subsea Services and SMIT Salvage.

### SEM's NINA goals are:

- Working together effectively in an open atmosphere.
- Aiming to create an environment in which wearing PPE is considered normal.
- Continuing to communicate and alerting each other to unsafe practices.



**NINA THE EXPERIENCE**  
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- A boost to the existing movement -