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The Blog Is Back!



Officially launched today, 20th February 2015, the new blog includes a range of articles, videos, interviews and hints & tips. Posts range from falling fuel prices and the future of marine simulation, to the events of the 3D department and the redesigning of the new website.

Make sure you never miss a thing by signing up to receive notifications of new posts!

Visit the blog at [www.ecdis.org/blog](http://www.ecdis.org/blog)

### **Recent Posts**

#### **What is the effect of the recent drop in oil prices on the shipping industry?**

Nearly all merchant ships use oil in some form for their main engines and for generating electricity. Fuel costs are a major element of the running costs of a ship. For example over the last 6 months the price on the Rotterdam market for low sulphur 380 cst has fallen from about 630 US Dollars to in the region of 230 USD. Similarly Marine Gas Oil has gone from 880 US Dollars to about 460 US Dollars. When consumption is measured in tens of tons per day the saving on a four week voyage can be considerable. This can lead to increased profitability for the shipping company and/or a reduction in freight rates which will act to boost the amount of cargo carried... [Continue reading >](#)

#### **The Future of Marine Simulation**

For many years the aviation community has embraced simulator-based training as an integral part of teaching syllabi; not as a replacement for time in a real aircraft but

to augment and consolidate theory, practice procedures and to push students' capacity to a degree perhaps not possible in a real aircraft due to the risk inherent in willingly making things go wrong in the air. [Continue reading >](#)

### **Redesigning The ECDIS Ltd Website**

Improving the ECDIS website was one of the original priorities I had when I first started here back in April last year, although it soon became clear that we wanted to do a bit more than just improve the site and it was in August 2014 that we decided to fully redesign it. [Continue reading >](#)

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### **About ECDIS Ltd**

ECDIS Ltd is based in Whiteley, along the south coast of the UK near Fareham, Hampshire, making it easily accessible to mariners, whether based locally or needing to travel and stay in one of the nearby hotels.

Since opening in 2008, ECDIS Ltd has doubled in size every year and is now established as one of the world's most respected, endorsed independent training companies, offering over 30 courses, including Generic and Type Specific courses for the majority of the 34 leading manufacturers of ECDIS. With over 150 major shipping company clients, the privately owned company now leads the way in navigational training.

ECDIS Ltd have also been approved by Lloyd's Register Quality Assurance to the following Management System Standards - ISO 9001:2008.

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