

**BLUESHIP** ELECTROSPUN FUNCTIONALIZED NANO-MATERIALS FOR ULTRA-COMPACT DE-NO<sub>x</sub> SCR SYSTEM IN NAVAL SHIPPING

## Kick-off meeting for BLUESHIP project

Rome, ITALY 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>ST</sup> of March 2014

The 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2014, LABOR srl, one of the consortium partners and coordinator in the project, hosted the Blueship Kick-Off meeting, in its headquarters in Rome. The consortium is composed of 3 SMEs: AKRETIA GmbH (Germany); LINARI Engineering Srl (ITALY); StoGda Ship Design & Engineering Sp (Poland) and 3 RTDs: Labor Srl – Industrial Research Lab; Danmarks Tekniske Universitet (Denmark) and Next Technology Tecnotessile Società Nazionale di Ricerca r.I (Italy).

The project and its research, officially started on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2014 under Grant Agreement no. 605102 with the Research Executive Agency of the European Commission.

## The project

The main objective that the BlueShip Consortium intends to achieve is the realization of an innovative de- $NO_x$  Selective Catalytic Reactor (SCR) specifically tailored to the shipping industry, based on electrospun ceramic fibers tailored in designed textures modules. The current monolithic design used in the SCR implies a very large volume of reaction and heterogeneous reaction yields and rates in the different parts of the reactor, but on the other hand, electrospun fibers allow to achieve a dramatic increase of the exposed area in the SCR reactor, permitting higher yield of the NH3-NoX reaction and optimization of the fluid-dynamics and gas conversion.

## **Objectives**

The main objectives in this project are a reduction of the size and weight of the De-NOx SCR of 50% with respect to state of the art SCR, for installation and retrofit in existing ships and for possible integration into De-Sox units; reduce the consumption, need of purchase and costs of reactant (ammonia or urea) of 20%; reduce the installation costs of 20%; reduce operation and maintenance costs of 15%.

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