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Dear Partners,

It is with great pleasure that I extend a formal invitation to participate in the Blended Intensive Programme (BIP) **"Human - Centered Design for Critical Environments "**, organized by Nikola Vaptsarov Naval Academy. The programme will be held on the premises of the Academy from **12 to 16 October 2026**.

The proposed course focuses on human – centered design of naval interfaces - from cognitive science to operational prototyping. Students from various universities will explore human error and cognitive performance under stress, situation awareness in complex bridge environments, human-machine teaming and autonomous systems, error-resistant interface design, mental workload measurement (NASA-TLX), and the full design thinking cycle applied to safety-critical systems.

The registration should be completed **no later than 15 September 2026**. Due to the **limited number of places available**, confirmation of participation will be sent after the registration deadline. The **online component** of the programme will take place from **5 October to 9 October 2026**, while the physical mobility at Nikola Vaptsarov Naval Academy will be conducted from **12 to 16 October 2026**.

For registration and further administrative information, please contact: Teodora Gandeva; e-mail: erasmus@nvna.eu.

We look forward to welcoming your students to Nikola Vaptsarov Naval Academy.

Looking forward to welcome your students in Bulgaria!

COMMANDANT-RECTOR OF NIKOLA VAPTSAROV NAVAL ACADEMY
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