



Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism
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Mr. Ventsislav Valchev
Rector
Technical University of Varna

Dear Mr. Ventsislav Valchev,

Continuation of Our Recognition (notification)

We would like to thank you for your kind cooperation for our research including on-site inspection which we conducted on October 3, 2022. The purpose of our research was to confirm that your institution meets the relevant requirements as well as at the time of our initial recognition.

Based upon the result of our research, we found that your school complies with the relevant requirements both of the STCW Convention and the Japanese scheme of "Recognition for Foreign Maritime Education and Training Institutions (METIs)." Therefore, the Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism has decided to continue our recognition of your institution.

Please note that this recognition may be withdrawn whenever we find that your institution no longer conforms to the requirements under the Japanese scheme.

In addition, according to our policy that this recognition should be renewed regularly, we might conduct this kind of research again within five years from the date of the last on-site inspection.

Sincerely yours,

A pixelated signature of NAKAI Tomohiro, consisting of several dark, irregular shapes.

NAKAI Tomohiro
Director of Seafarers License and Education Division,
Maritime Bureau,
Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism