Project Description

We are a Berlin based non-profit-association founded in 2018 by a transnational collective of activists. With our ship MARE LIBERUM (pleasure craft) we monitor human rights in the Aegean Sea, mainly off the coast of Lesvos. Our vessel is operated by a crew of five people who combine a variety of skills and knowledge, such as nautical, engineering, media, human rights advocacy, research expertise and experience in search and rescue operations.

Our crew at sea can rely on a back-office structure which provides all necessary administrative work meanwhile engaging in further research and the processing of all our findings from our monitoring activities at sea.

To keep our costs low we must ask for a minimum commitment of 4 weeks, to cover flights to and from Lesvos (until 300euros) (exceptions possible). All onboard expenses, including food and accommodation are covered. Conditions on board are basic- you will sleep in shared cabins and work with a team of volunteers from different backgrounds. You may spend several nights in a row at sea, mostly on anchor but during this time on monitoring duty (night watch in shift system), which involves being awake and alert for several hours during the night, watching the coastline and document any activity.
**Captain**

**Profile**

- Must have experience sailing motor ships/yachts
- Must feel comfortable with manoeuvring a 120t ship, which has a bow thruster
- Must feel comfortable with the idea of dealing with (badly mannered) local authorities
- Must be able to handle stressful situation
- Has strong leadership skills and the ability to cooperate well within a team
- Has the overview, responsibility and control of the vessel and crew safety; directs both in accordance to maintain same
- Is responsible for all nautical and technical decisions concerning the operation as well as related crew instructions
- Checks Mission Coordinators decisions against crew and boat safety, intervenes where necessary
- Takes general care of the boat maintenance. Informs mechanical engineer of technical faults that occurred and ensures they get attended to.
- Responsible for the ship's administration (bunkering, crew-lists, customs clearance, coordination of repairs, detailed operational documentation, daily reports and statistics).
- Works in close collaboration with the Mission Coordinator and Chief Engineer
- Active part at watch keeping

**Need to have:**

- Powerboat license (ICC International, SBF-See or equal or higher)
- Min. LRC license which includes AIS and EPIRB operation
- Advanced English
- Positive attitude towards the protection of human rights and vulnerable people

*If you are interested, please get in touch with us via mail: crewing@mare-liberum.org*