

Impact of the Maritime Labour Convention in Australia

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What has the Australian Government done so far towards ratification?

Consultation

- Interdepartmental consultations
 - DEEWR
 - Department of Infrastructure
 - AMSA
- State and territory governments
- Key industry stakeholders

Analysis

- Assessment - status of compliance

What our analysis is telling us so far?

- Legislation to be reviewed and possibly amended, including:
 - Navigation Act
 - Marine Orders
 - Social security
 - Workplace relations

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- Establish new inspection and certification system
- A system for monitoring and inspecting seafarers' employment rights
- Entry to MLC late 2012

What are the next steps?

- DEEWR to organise a meeting with key industry stakeholders in July 2009
- Ongoing consultations with stakeholders
- Finalise assessment in light of responses by stakeholders

What are the next steps?

- AMSA representative attended the ILO's international training centre to complete a 'train the trainer' course in the MLC
- AMSA intends to commence introductory training to its surveyors in the first half of 2010

What are the next steps?

- Legislative amendments and changes to policy
- Initiation of the formal ratification process.

