



## **AIDA students venture out to sea with the sail training ship “Großherzogin Elisabeth”**

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On August 16, 2015, twenty-four AIDA Cruises students set sail for the first time from Bremerhaven with the sail training ship “Großherzogin Elisabeth.” The training trip for the 24 students of nautical science, ship operation engineering and electrical engineering for ships ends on September 4, 2015, in Rostock. Over some 21 days, the future mariners will complete their basic nautical training on the North and Baltic Sea before their first assignment onboard the AIDA fleet. In addition to the AIDA Cruises students, 18 cadets from Carnival UK are participating in this training trip once again.

Lasting several weeks, the practical course aboard “Lissi” is part of AIDA Cruises’ comprehensive training program and excellently prepares the students for their maritime studies and their first onboard assignment with AIDA.

“On board the sail training ship, our students learn how a ship behaves in wind and weather. They also become familiar with how to set the sails as well as gaining basic nautical and technical knowledge. Team spirit and dedication are also a must. These are the ideal prerequisites for working on board the AIDA fleet,” says Daniel Schimmelpfennig, who directs the training program at AIDA Cruises. AIDA Cruises has been working in partnership with the training ship association “Großherzogin Elisabeth” e.V. for many years.

On September 2 and 3, the cadets and 50 AIDA colleagues from Rostock took an evening cruise on the Baltic Sea. The five-hour trip provided an opportunity to get to know each other in a relaxed atmosphere.

Since September 1, 2015, a total of 120 young people have been in training or completing studies in nautical technical subjects with AIDA Cruises. The German market leader for cruises offers attractive professional challenges to technical specialists and management personnel both on board its ships and on land. AIDA Cruises currently employs around 7,000 people from 40 countries, 6,000 on board and 1,000 at the headquarters in Rostock and Hamburg. By 2020, the AIDA fleet will expand to 14 ships.

For the year 2016, AIDA Cruises will once again be offering bachelor’s degree study programs for the areas of ship operation engineering, nautical science, and electrical engineering for ships. For more information about studying and training with AIDA, please visit [www.aida-jobs.de](http://www.aida-jobs.de). Applications for the upcoming academic year are now being accepted.

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