

## It is African ports, Antarctica, then the UK for "Agulhas 1" cadets

"Agulhas 1" (previously the Department of Environmental Affairs research vessel SA Agulhas,) the South African Maritime Safety Authority's (SAMSA's) dedicated training vessel, is set to head for various African ports, Antarctica and the UK on its maiden voyage, defenceWeb reports.

South Africa now has less than 2000 seafarers in its registry and SAMSA has long pushed for an increase, according to *defenceWeb*.

Commander Tsietsi Mokhele, SAMSA CEO, said in *defenceWeb* that the acquisition of SA Dedicated Training Vessel "will go a long way towards making a career in the maritime fields a viable option for young people in search of a fulfilling and challenging career [...] in the maritime industry; especially women."

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