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STRATEGIC RESEARCH DOMAINS FOLLOWED BY NAVIGATION AND NAVAL MANAGEMENT INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CENTER (NNMIRC)

- Sustainable development in naval shipping industry;
- Application of management in the naval transport and port operation;
- Techniques and technologies for the maritime and river transport development;
- Fundamental Sciences applied in the shipping industry;
- Interdisciplinary projects in the shipping industry.

NNMIRC has as main objective of activity the research-development-interdisciplinary innovation in the shipping industry, naval and harbor management or related domains, being able to develop projects and programmes in this direction or to carry out additional activities such as consultancy, expertise or other scientific services, with the approval of the Administration Council of MBNA, at the proposal of the Scientific Council or the FNNM Council, as it may be the case, with a view to knowledge, institutional, economic and social development. NNMIRC approaches mainly the major interest research themes in the shipping industry on national and international level. The research centre also proposes to publish the results of the scientific research and to contribute to the formation of specialists by organizing or supporting post-graduate study programmers (specialist courses, master`s degree courses, doctorate courses, etc.)

The research within the NNMIRC is part of the following **strategic functional priorities**, which define the main activities of the centre as follows:

Research-development by scientific research activities, experimental innovation and development

Fundamental research and applicable research on the basis of contracts/projects;

Research on request of third parties (for economic agents or other interested entities, individually or in partnership)

Research for diploma papers, dissertations and doctorate theses;

Academic research through scientific forums;

Other scientific research results dissemination activities, including the publishing of scientific contributions in the field of the shipping industry and naval management or other scientific domains.

Within the NNMIRC there also can be carried out the following **related development activities** connected to the mission and vision of the Centre:

- a) Designing and developing products for the naval transport and shipping industry;
- b) Activities of trial, testing and validating products as well as other services;
- c) Activities of consultancy and technical expertise on request;
- d) Activities of standard and norms elaboration.