

About MAHI

At MAHI, we're turning years of pioneering ocean crossings into real-world autonomy for vessels of every size. Joining MAHI means helping make maritime operations safer, smarter and more sustainable.

We build maritime autonomy for surface vessels. Our hardware enabled software pairs the MAHI Sense marine grade edge computer with the MAHI Remote Operations Center to deliver situational awareness, remote supervision and collision avoiding local path planning that works even without connectivity. Founded in 2022 and based in Mechelen, Flanders, MAHI grew out of Project Mahi (started in 2015), the team behind Mahi-2, the first autonomous solar vessel to cross the Atlantic in 2021–2022. Today our systems are integrated on new builds and retrofits from 6 to 60 meters.

If you're ready to provide value and truly make a difference, MAHI is the place to be. You will work as part of a tight knit team of 12, incl. our cofounders:

Andreas Belderbos: COO who keeps operations smooth from contracts to sea trials.

Quinten Lauwers: CPO who sweats the details and ships features that matter.

Pieter Jan Note: CEO who keeps the vision clear and the pace smart.

Bertold Van den Bergh: CTO who makes hardware and software play nice at sea.

How we work

We optimize for doing. We ship, learn and improve in short loops. Ownership over ego. Practical impact over slide decks. Clear communication, fast decisions and respect for the craft.

Your role

As a skipper at MAHI, you'll support autonomous vessel tests and client demos, ensuring safe departures, monitoring systems and staying in touch with the control center. You'll work closely with our tech and ops teams and be among the few who've piloted a semi-autonomous ship.



What you will do

As a skipper, you'll assist during:

- Autonomous vessel tests: Ensure safe departure from the dock, stay aboard during trials, and support on-site crew.
- Client demonstrations: Represent MAHI on the water and help the tech team ensure everything runs smoothly.
- Supervision: Monitor on-board systems and communicate with the control center.

You'll work closely with our engineering and operations team, and you'll be one of the few people in the world who can say they piloted a semi-autonomous ship!

Your profile

- You hold a Yachtman license or an STCW certificate (e.g., II/3 or equivalent under STCW Regulation VII).
- You have a valid GMDSS SRC certificate or better
- You're reliable, responsible, and feel comfortable on the water
- You're available to work weekdays in Ostend

What we offer

- A paid student/interim job in a cutting-edge marine tech company
- Hands-on experience with autonomous vessel systems
- Great networking opportunity in the maritime and tech sectors
- A chance to make a real impact with your qualifications

Ready to join us?

If you're excited by the future of autonomous vessels, this is your chance to be part of something groundbreaking. Please submit your application through the form on our website and help navigate the next wave of maritime innovation.

Thanks for considering MAHI as your next adventure on the water!