

## **A new POW Bone Ship Model for the collection of the International Maritime Museum, Hamburg (IMMH)**

Due to a generous gift during December 2014, the POW Bone Ship Model collection of the IMMH increased to 32 specimen. After detailed inspection of the model by Prof. Tamm and Manfred Stein, a professional cleaning and restoration of the new accrual was decided. In a little workshop on Deck 9 of the museum the model was scrutinized, cleaned and repaired. The bowsprit gear needed substantial repair. The rigging was generally loose, and some fractures had to be glued. Obviously, the model was built in several construction phases. The first by POW's during the Napoleonic Wars, which professionally assembled the underwater part of the model. The second phase was performed after the Napoleonic Wars with building the main deck and parts of the rigging. The planks consist of historic piano keyboard ivory. The masts and deadeyes seem to be added during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. They seem to originate from modern model making.



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Prof. Peter Tamm and the new POW Bone Ship Model



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Planks consisting of historic piano keyboard ivory



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Cleaned and repaired



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In the exhibition on Deck 8 of the International Maritime Museum, Hamburg