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VOICE OF MD

2018 has turned into an exciting year for Albwardy Damen.

Back in 1978 Ali Albwardy founded Albwardy Marine Engineering (AME) at the same time as he was managing the set-up of the ship repair area in Al Jadaf, Dubai Creek. The company has been growing steadily over the years and in 2018 we celebrated our 40 years anniversary with a workforce of 1100 people on the payroll. In 2008 it was agreed between Ali Albwardy and Kommer Damen that Damen Shipyards should buy a 50% stake in AME and thereby form a joint venture. In 2018 we celebrate 10th year of this hugely successful JV. These two events came together with the inauguration of our new facility in Dubai Maritime City. The official opening of the office and workshop in DMC took place on the 15th of November joined by local VIP's, Customers, Suppliers and other Stakeholders. The events were also celebrated with our employees in Fujairah, Dubai and Hamriyah.

From our Newbuilding division we have had some significant deliveries over the summer: the lift boat Aqua Rise III for Aqua Diving Services Ltd and the Damen ASD tug type 2913 for Ras Al Khaimah Ports. Both are addressed in this Newsletter. We have also done a complete outfitting of a Damen Stan Pontoon 4512 into a Backhoe Dredger/Barge for the company Murjan in Saudi Arabia.

On the Repair side we have had the fortune to secure a few conversion projects. Earlier in the year we did the Seven Inagha for SubSea 7, and here in December we are finishing a conversion of two PSV into Seismic operations for the American survey company Fairfield. We are also being involved in a, for us, bit unusual project with the mega container ship Maersk Honam, which had a fire earlier in the year.

Repair and Diving have followed the trend from last year with a very competitive and stressed market. We continue to make sure that we deliver the best possible deal for the customers keeping quality and time in focus as well. We hope that the customers will appreciate our options to deliver top quality and timely delivery from our new facility in DMC.

Please accept Seasons Greetings and a Happy and Prosperous 2019, from all of us in Albwardy Damen.

Lars Seistrup Managing Director

OSPREY DELIVERED

BY DILEESH VISHWANATH

In the summer we successfully delivered the new ASD Tug 2913 named Osprey to Saqr Port - part of Ras AI Khaimah (RAK) Ports.

The tug has joined the RAK Ports tug fleet and operates in the new deep-water bulk terminal currently nearing completion at the port.

In addition to her 80-tonnes of bollard pull capacity, the 29-metre ASD Tug 2913 also features high freeboard and a raised quarterdeck for safe operations in rough seas.

The customer lauded the yard for flexible and professional approach and congratulated the Albwardy Damen team for building Osprey on high quality and her delivery on time.

Building the tug locally was a major deciding factor for RAK ports. It has many advantages with regards to delivery procedures, official formalities with authorities and supervision. Also Albwardy Damen together with Damen Services will be a one stop shop for any modifications, services, and dry dockings in the future.



AQUA RISE III

Aqua Rise III is one of our special newbuilding projects completed recently for AQUA DIVING SERVICES LTD (ADS). It is a first of a kind of Jack-up Barge newbuilding project in any of the Damen Shipyards worldwide.

The primary function of Aqua Rise III is to provide accommodation requirements in Offshore projects in the GCC region. She has a capacity of 126 persons accommodation facility onboard. Clear Deck Space of 310 m² and two cranes of 100 tonnes and 30 tonnes make Aqua Rise III a suitable work over platform for the offshore fields in the region. The detailed engineering of this complex vessel was a challenge considering the limited space available, MODU (Mobile Offshore Drilling Units) regulations and the amount of equipment installed. One of the biggest challenges was the installation of 1 kilometer of complex Hydraulic piping for the jacking system in a very tight space.

During the construction stages, the coordination on onboard between various trades and subcontractor for this complex vessel was a new experience for our project engineer Mr. Rahul Haridas. We worked in co-operation with ADS project Manager Mr. Edward Bowen with all construction stages checked and approved by him. The vessel is built under RINA Classification with MODU regulations.

Aqua Rise III

We installed 4 pieces of 80 tonnes 50 metres long leg of the Aqua Rise III, where we had a gap of only millimeters to install it. The legs were also built on site by Albwardy Damen also. Due to the accurate controls and measurement checks during the construction of the legs fitting installation was made easy using a 600 tonnes Crawler crane.

The Aqua Rise III dimension was close to the maximum allowable width allowable in our synchro lift. There was only a 25 centimeter gap remaining on the synchro lift while launching the Aqua Rise III.

It was a proud moment for us and ADS when the vessel was lifted out of the water using jacking system for the first time. With the delivery of *Aqua Rise III*, we have extended our portfolio to building Jack ups for the offshore market. It has also given us confidence for any future legs manufacturing and repairs.



THE MARITIME LEADERS ROUND TABLE

On May 7th 2018 we attended the first Maritime leaders' Round table held in UAE. Under the patronage of the Federal Transport Authority for Land and Maritime "FTA" and with the presence of H.R.H Princess Sarah Al Saud, Tactics Maritime Media and Marasi News have successfully arranged "The UAE Maritime Leaders Roundtable Discussion" under the theme of "Leading the UAE towards being a preferable destination for maritime investment".





VISIT OF WISTA UAE TO ALBWARDY DAMEN

On the 26th of April 2018 Albwardy Damen arranged an event for WISTA UAE in the presence of HRH Princess Sarah Al Saud. Mr. Lars Seistrup, the Managing Director of Albwardy Damen highlighted the need to have women collaboration within the industry, saying: "We are proud to have HRH Sarah Al Saud our shipyard and we highly appreciate her outstanding efforts to help the industry change the monopolistic stereotype image featuring men being more capable than women."

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ARMITA – FIRST EVER LPG CARRIER DOCKED BY ALBWARDY DAMEN LAUNCHING OF AQUARISE III – 26 METERS BEAM, 20 CM CLEARANCE EITHER SIDE



SEVEN INAGHA – MODIFICATION AND UPGRADATION WORK ASIAN HERCULES 3 – REMOVAL OF 200T FLY JIB



IN PICTURES

Murjan 4512 - Damen Stan Pontoon, Conversion to Backhoe Dredger/Barge

The barge arrived as flat top barge on a cargo vessel. Conversion scope was installing spuds, excavators, crane, hydraulic systems, mooring system, ballast and fuel cargo system and a containerized accommodation.





BY SHAHEEL MOHAMED

NORMAND TONJER CONVERSION TO SEISMIC VESSEL

Mid August we were awarded the contract for the conversion of Normand Tonjer to a seismic vessel by Fairfield Geo technologies.

The challenge was to build a structure of 3 decks of around 500 tons of steel, install a huge HVAC installation to keep the seismic equipment cool, and build a fully furnished office block with instrument room and other utilities at the third level within a time period of 75 days.

Having both repairs and a new building team in-house was a big factor in winning this project as it makes these conversions so much more efficient. Prefabrication of the blocks were done prior to the vessel's arrival to the shipyard. The vessel arrived at Albwardy Damen on 07-10-2018 and all block erection was done in 3 weeks. From there, the scope of works kept on increasing and deviating from the original, nevertheless the final timeline was not flexible. We had different parties working simultaneously on board. Frequent meetings, setting proper guidelines and plotting specific roles between the parties streamlined the production process the most efficient way.

Main highlights

- Around 500 tonnes of steel fabrication in 45 days.
- More than 3500 m² insulation and covering of the under deck and bulkheads in 3 weeks.
- Fabrication of provisional crane pedestal, in-situ machining of the flange, installation of a 5 tonnes crane, commissioning & load testing.
- Complete outfitting / furnishing of the office block.
- Installation of a hydraulic driven conveyor belt system
- Fabricate compartment for HPU and install CO₂ flooding system for the compartment.
- Complete lighting of the seismic decks and office module.
- Installation and powering of the owner arranged HVAC blocks
- Complete integration of the seismic equipment with the existing electrical system of the vessel, including cabling, MSB modification, installation of transformers etc.

The project was completed successfully within the agreed timeframe, safely, and in accordance with the specification.



32,000 PIPE SPOOLS FOR RUSSIA

As the year draws closer, we can all agree that one interesting and unpredictable project in NewCon is Pipe spools for two Ice Breaking Vessels which are being built in Russia. The total project consists of 800 tonnes of pipe spools, which is 32,000 pieces of pipe spools. It is projected for a span of 1½ years.

We started this project with great enthusiasm as we knew it looked simple but it was not. But then came the real hassle when Class RMRS was involved, this was the 1st time we were working with RMRS in Newcon, the inspections by Russian Maritime Register of Shipping (RMRS) Surveyor. Why the hardest part? Because of multiplicity of documents, approval, certifications etc prior to start of the job.

Some of the mandatory certifications were that Damen Shipyards Sharjah must obtain YARD CONFORMITY by RMRS. Secondly the Class would want new qualifying of Welding Procedure Specifications, although existing Procedures could suffice; then our Welders who would handle this project must be RMRS qualified; add then to Material certification, Review of inspection reports etc. But the greatest fun was another mandatory requirement that Welders involved shall take a Welding Theory test and the Test questions and Results sent to RMRS!

Some of the document requirement from the clients were new to us. Quality Section had to recruit /assign an Engineer only for this project so the Quality Engineers had to generate all the documents as applicable; such as Inspection Report, Test Report, Manufacturer Certificate, Pressure Test certificate, Painting Report, Galvanising Report with almost all details of the individual spools with their material certificate & Spools drawing.

With all these happening, Project Management was putting so much pressure as they had to meet tight delivery schedules of a Container-load per week; and the expectation from our Yard by the client is very high with respect to Quality of the Product, documentation etc. The paper works for each shipment contains approximately 300 pages for each shipment.

The project has been a complete manufacturing-industry type of process, where manufactured pipe spools are Blasted, Galvanized, Pickled, then painted with one layer of primer. After the processing stage, pipe spools are Name tagged, then sorted as in contract, for packing. They require expert preservation, neat packing, good containerization and export.

We introduced BarCode Scanning Technology to facilitate sorting the packing list for each Box. There are Total 90 Containers to be sent to Russia.

It required a lot versatility but at the end, we sailed through successfully, though with lot of hiccups. We doff our hats to the gallant Welders for the stress we subjected them through. Indeed it has been real fun and a rich experience worth having.



ONE FAMILY BUILD BUILT B

4th ANNUAL SPORTS TOURNAMENT

2018 temperatures were extremely high and as soon as this lowered to the 30's, the Management launched the monthlong 4th Annual Sports Tournament.

As usual, the strong workforce grouped into eight different teams with special names for Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, Badminton, Tennis, Dart and Cricket.

Newbuilding fielded the highest number of separate Teams and it was no wonder that they beat HR-Admin to lift the Soccer Trophy in the final. Newbuilding also lifted the Basketball Trophy – thank God the star-studded Diving Team withdrew due to heavy workload! Dubai retained the Volleyball Trophy, smashing all opponents who came their way up till the very final.

MECHANICAL TIGERS WON THE CRICKET GOLD











PICTURE SHOWS THE PROUD LONG-SERVICEMEN WITH CHAIRMAN ALI ALBWARDY AT THE CEREMONY.

40th ANNIVERSARY AWARD & DINNER

BY MARC ALVARES

Five (5) long-serving Employees who will be forty years old in this Company in 2019 were honoured during the Company's 40th Anniversary Celebrations.

The Management paid glowing tribute to the noble fellows who spent virtually their entire adult life in Albwardy Marine. The gents are Bosco Rodrigues (Head of Mechanical); Javed Iqbal (Head of Dubai Workshops); Zafar Iqbal (Senior Mechanical Supervisor); Chandra Kumar (Head of Fabrication) and Sebastian Varkey (Purchase Officer).

At Damen Sharjah, The Management feted the 750-Strong Workforce with a Buffet Dinner, same being extended to Dubai and Fujairah as well. Each Employee had as Souvenir, the 40th Anniversary Trolley Bag.



TRAININGS

BY EMIL AKUMAH

As part of Management's resolve to increase competencies in relevant fields, Logistics and Administrative Staff from Dubai Operations, Damen Sharjah and Fujairah Operations were sent recently for the certificate course in "Dangerous <u>Goods Handling" – an</u> IATA requirement.

In October, the reputed Gulf Technical & Safety Training Centre in Abu Dhabi hosted 10 H.S.E. FIRE & RESCUE TEAM members in "Advanced Fire-Fighting I & II" plus "Confined Space Emergency Rescue I & II". These acquired new skills are to polish our Teams' readiness in case of any eventuality.





HUMAN FACTORS AND SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT

The majority of workplace accidents are attributable to human factors rather than by machine or equipment faults. Though there are environmental factors like poor visibility, heat, noise, dust and wet conditions leading to injury resulted from accidents, very few compared to human factors. Making safety consciousness through training and awareness programs of the procedures is the key element in promoting safety at work.

In the UAE, like most of the country's safety legislation, is designed to prevent / reduce unsafe conditions such as machine faults and environmental dangers. However, with plus 90% of the accidents attributable to human error or human behavior, we at Albwardy Damen have launched many programs focusing the importance of worker education and supervision to reduce the number of accidents at work.

The importance of health and safety at workplace is recognized, which pride ourselves on the health and safety records. High accident rate at workplace adversely affect company's profitability and reputation.

There are many accidents that can occur through negligence. It is important, therefore, not only to have health and safety governance and procedures in place and for employees to be educated on these procedure and their importance but for managers and supervisor to insist on adherence to the company's laid down health and safety regulations.

Hands and fingers are more prone to injuries in a shipyard work environment hence contributed majority of injuries historically. Most of these are due to their being crushed, punctured or lacerated. Often the injuries occur because of both employee carelessness and complacency. Manual handling – carrying heavy loads, line of fire, pinch points and working from heights and many other work activities can all be hazardous and require safety consciousness and adherence to regulations and procedures which may include the use of safety equipment.

When employees are able to see that the company is concerned about health and safety issues, they are likely to respond positively. Health and safety at work is everybody's concern – the management and employees.

Through our consistent approach in managing the workplace, the line management are keen in reviewing the health and safety performance at the business and at the board level. At the same time, the employees are taking conscious decisions to work safely which is directly reflecting in the overall health and safety performance of the company.

An analysis of the year wise Total Recordable Injury frequency rate – TRI'f (per 106 man-hours) with an overall 3.2 million man-hours on 12 months roll, is graphically shown.



Total recordable injury frequence rate

HATCH COVER AND GENERATOR REPAIRS IN PORT KHALID, SHARJAH

BY MARK PEARSON

Our German Agents, Zoepffel & Schneider, contacted us because one of their local clients, Heino Winter was facing some issues on one of their General Cargo vessels.

The issue that they had was a damaged hinge on their mariner type hatch covers that required replacing. At the same time they wanted to take the opportunity to install a MAN D28 generator engine that had been out for Reconditioning.

When we received the call the vessel was in Jebel Ali for discharge. Our Ship Repair Manager, Rehan, visited the vessel with one of our Fabrication and Mechanical Supervisors and inspected the two jobs.

On Friday evening the vessel arrived in Port Khalid Sharjah. We mobilised our team the same evening for the two jobs, One team working on the hatch cover and one team to install the Generator. Our fabrication team identified that the hatch cover was misaligned. We re-aligned it then commenced work replacing the Hinge. The hatch cover was then tested and entire job was completed within 100 hours to full satisfaction of ships crew and Management.

In the same time period, we also installed an MAN D28 generator that had been removed for reconditioning. The engine was rigged from the deck to engine-room through the Skylight using vessels cargo crane. Once in place the engine was aligned and mounted in the engine-room and fuel, SW lines, Exhaust pipes were connected. Fuel pumps were adjusted and set and engine was test run to satisfaction of Chief Engineer. This was all completed within 72 hours well ahead of schedule.

The entire job was completed within our original quoted time and to the full satisfaction of the Client.





BY MARK PEARSON

ALBWARDY DAMEN CELEBRATES ITS 40th ANNIVERSARY IN THE UAE AND OPENS NEW FACILITY IN DMC

On the 15th of November 2018 we celebrated our 40th anniversary and officially inguarated our new facility at Dubai Maritime City (DMC) with approximately 100 attendees who were present at the event from both government and key industry makers.

To increase our efficiency and foster stronger relations with clients, we have expanded to Dubai Maritime City (DMC) from Al Jadaf. The new facility became recently operational allowing it to deliver the same safety standards and quality services provided to our Albwardy Damen Sharjah customers.

Ali Albwardy, Chairman of Albwardy Investment stated, "The primary aim of the company has always been to offer its current and potential customers the ultimate best of service excellence. Albwardy Damen's tremendous growth over the past ten years is a strong testament to its never-ending pursuit of technical innovation and its dedication towards providing services according to the satisfaction of consumers."

With a move to Dubai Maritime City (DMC) from Al Jadaf, Albwardy Damen anticipates an increase in operations and is optimistic of opportunities to foster strong relations with new clients. Lars Seistrup, Managing Director, Albwardy Damen explained, "Our new Dubai facility will allow us to deliver the same safety and quality as in our Sharjah yard. Dubai Maritime City is strategically located at heart of Dubai which makes it the most attractive destination and we will deliver a second to none service to our customers."

Seistrup added, "We are highly impressed with the skilled team at DMC who are facilitating our business at this strategically located center. We are committed to provide our clients with a state-of-the-art quality of services as we have always strived for continuous growth and progress in the region, in line with the UAE Maritime Vision 2030."

H.E Saeed Mohammed Hareb, Secretary General of Dubai Sports Council (DSC) commented, "Our main objective is to establish Dubai as a hub par excellence in the maritime industry. Dubai has already reached a new milestone in the international maritime sector after being selected as one of the world's top five hubs in the International Shipping Centre Development Index (ISCD). Companies such as Albwardy Damen are further paving the path for the emirate and the UAE to become a recognized, established and influential force within the global maritime economy." BY MARK PEARSON

FUJAIRAH

2018 has been a year where in Albwardy Damen Fujairah we have branched out into new activities and new locations.

Above water hull cleaning

We are actively carrying out above water hull cleaning (from water line to boot top) on vessels at the Khorfakkan anchorage. The Port Authorities in Khorfakkan analyze the type of fouling on the ships hull when we receive a request from client. They do this by looking at hull condition photographs and then decide if the vessel is suitable for this activity. So far all vessels that we have requested have received approval as these have not been contaminated with oil. To ensure environmental compliance during this activity our trained cleaners ensure that paint is not damaged.

Cargo tanks cleaning pipes renewal

During mid of year, we attended an FSU Oceania (Floating Storage Unit) for her Cargo tanks cleaning pipes renewal. Approx. 1KM of pipes were renewed at the Fujairah anchorage. This was a very challenging job where we co-ordinated with a company carrying out tank cleaning simultaneously. We renewed this pipework without using hot-work (Pipes were fabricated in our workshop inside Fujairah Port). Entire job was completed on time and to satisfaction of vessel owners.

Sohar and Salalah Ports in the Sultanate of Oman

We now also mobilize from our Fujairah workshop to, Sohar and Salalah Ports in the Sultanate of Oman. We have carried out a variety of jobs in these ports ranging from Anchor Recoveries and installation back on board the vessel to steel repairs on a Gas Carrier. We can even put a riding Gang on board vessel in Fujairah carry out the work during the sea passage to Sohar and disembark the team there. Overall, attending jobs at Sohar have been found easy to attend (if planned in advance).

The Diving Division has had an extremely busy year and are active in all UAE ports and in addition Sohar & Salalah in Oman.

The Fujairah Team look forward for great beginning of 2019!!







ZAKARIA ZARIOUH

DAMEN PARTS SALES ENGINEER MIDDLE EAST

I joined the Damen Services hub based in Albwardy Damen in September 2018 as Parts Sales Engineer in the Middle East at our Service Hub in Albwardy Damen Sharjah.

Before joining the Middle East service hub I spent 1.5 years in the Damen NL organization in various roles within the procurement team. My new role is liaising with our local and international customers for any parts they may need for their vessels. Our team supplies parts for either Damen or non-Damen built vessels.

Shipping and especially parts is a 24/7 business. Being in the same time zone and weekday schedule is a huge benefit for our customers, as response times are much faster. Also my solid knowledge of the Arabic language is an added value for this role. If the clients know that you are able to understand them in their own language, communication will be much easier.

I believe the potential in the region is vast and that we as Damen Services together with Albwardy Damen as a repair facility can develop our business enormously by raising awareness for the benefit of our joint services.

SAI GOPINATH

PROJECT MANAGER NEWBUILDING

Appointed as Project Manager in the new building division on 1st May, 2018 Sai comes with a career spanning more than 9 years in project management across reputed local ship building companies.

His association with Dry docks world, Dubai and Grandweld shipyards in his previous role of project manager allows him to extensively utilize his cross functional management background. Graduated in mechanical engineering specialized in production technology from a reputed government college in Kerala, India.

Sai has already experience with successfully delivering more than 25 new build vessels/turnkey projects spanning across offshore support vessels, Tugs, HSC etc. He also executed major offshore conversion projects in Dry-docks world, Dubai for Oil&Gas companies.

His areas of expertise includes project engineering, risk management, project & cost control, shipyard operations, vendor development, team building & leadership.

MOHAMAD ZAAITER

SHIP REPAIR MANAGER

As a qualified Project Management professional, I am having 8 years of experience largely in the domain of Project Management and supervision. Worked and handled General Marine Repairs & ship building process design and technical services. As such I can oversee assigned tasks related to project coordination and meet the set objectives of each project to client satisfaction.

With tremendous amount of success in all aspects of performing project management function of repair, conversion and refit work of vessel until the successful completion of the vessel to the customer, I am sure that I can use the gained experience here in this great organization to leverage the best working practices while conforming to the company quality standards.

By joining Albwardy Damen as a Ship Repair Manager in the Sharjah Operations, I will be providing technical support functions & driving project management operations to include planning & supervising marine repair works. I will work closely with internal teams across the ship repair department, and deliver my tasks on time within budget, in compliance to norms, & in line with my stakeholders' expectations.

SEACOR MARINE'S LONG RELATIONSHIP WITH ALBWARDY DAMEN

BY MARCEL VAN DE KREKE

Seacor Marine operates a fleet of offshore marine support vessels serving the offshore oil and gas explorations and production industry. With vessels strategically deployed offshore in the Gulf of Mexico, Latin America, the North Sea, West Africa, Southeast Asia and the Middle East, they provide a broad range of offshore support services coupled with the highest standards of safety, service and technology available in the Industry.

Mr. Yarub Faisal, the Technical Manager of Seacor Marine's international fleet based in Dubai explains: "Our relationship with Albwardy Damen for dry-docking, conversions and afloat repairs exists for more than 20 years. We operate a fleet of 54 Vessels in our International division. Thus the

technical capability, quality and timely support of Albwardy Damen is very important in this challenging offshore market."

We see Albwardy Damen as a reliable partner which has all procedures and policies in place and complies with the regulations which the marine and offshore market nowadays requires.

Especially the newly opened workshop in Dubai Maritime City will give us the required support to repair and dry-dock our vessels at a location in the close vicinity of the Seacor office in Down Town Dubai. This will further strengthen the relationship further between the two companies.



DUBAI MARITIME WEEK AND ALBWARDY DAMEN EXPERIENCE DAY

BY WILLEM MOELKER

In October we had a very successful month with 3 large events: Seatrade Maritime Middle East exhibition, Seatrade Middle East Maritime Awards Gala 2018 and our yearly Sharjah open day.

Our stand at Seatrade Maritime Middle East was very well attended and we met many of our customers over a cup of coffee. In general people felt that shipping is looking slightly more positive for 2019 but that recovery will be slow and especially in the Middle East things are heavily dependent on the oil price.

Seatrade Awards evening is one of the highlights of the Dubai Maritime Week. The gala is an influential award ceremony in the region, attracting a powerful cluster of maritime influencers, personalities This year's edition was no exception and was especially memorable when we were awarded the prize for Shipyard of the Year.

Speaking on Albwardy Damen's receipt of the award, Managing Director Lars Seistrup said, "I'd like to say a big thank you to all of our employees who do such a safe and great job day in, day out. I'd also like to thank our customers for placing their trust in Albwardy Damen when they do business with our three locations. The opening of our new workshop in Dubai Maritime City will allow us to offer the same second-to-none service, efficiency and quality in Dubai as we currently do in Sharjah."





Albwardy Damen experience day

We held our yearly open day on Thursday 1st of November. Over 100 customers and stakeholders visited the yard and enjoyed presentations on the latest Damen developments on Tugs, Crew boats and Dredging Vessels. Guests had the opportunity to sail on Damen built vessels and tour the yard facilities. The day ended with lunch served on the Quayside in beautiful cooler temperatures. All in all a very successful and informative day, see you all next year!









DAMEN HANDS OVER FOUR FCS 2610 VESSELS TO ALLIANZ DURING ADIPEC

Damen Shipyards Group has handed over four new Fast Crew Suppliers (FCS) 2610 to Allianz Middle East Ship Management. The handover took place between Ahmed T. Khalil, general manager of Allianz, Menno Kuyt, managing director Maritime Craft Services (MCS) and Pascal Slingerland, Damen regional sales director.

The four FCS vessels have been equipped with hydraulically operated bow gangways – the first of their kind. Damen has developed the gangways in cooperation with oil majors and vessel operators. They are adjustable and can facilitate safe crew transfer at any offshore structure with access between 0.5 and 2 metres in height.

Mr. Khalil said, "We are convinced that these new boats are contributing to providing our valued client ADNOC with a safe and enhanced logistic services solution."

Pascal Slingerland said of the handover, "The FCS 2610 was originally developed for crew transfer in the North Sea offshore industry, but has gone on proven its capabilities on numerous occasions with oil majors in the Middle East region. The further customisation of these vessels will ensure their suitability to meet the requirements, both of the client and of operating in the region."

The Fast Crew Suppliers have been modified at Albwardy Damen to meet the operational requirements of the Middle East. At the same time, the gangways were installed and the accommodation was prepared so that it could host 50+ persons on board.

Allianz has also recently taken delivery of a Damen Multi Cat 3013, built at Albwardy Damen, as well as a Shoalbusters 3209 from Damen Marine Services. The new boats join three FCS 2610 vessels already in operation with Allianz. Mr. Kuyt's participation in the signing ceremony relates to a cooperation between Allianz and UK-based MCS for the operation of Allianz's FCS 2610, Multi Cat and Shoalbuster vessels. MCS operates a fleet of FCS 2610 vessels in the North Sea and is very experienced in crew transfer operations.

The newly delivered FCS 2610 vessels will undertake work in the ADMA oil field in Abu Dhabi, providing logistics services and safe crew transfer, as part of a 5-yeard contract awarded to ADNOC LS and ADNOC Offshore. The contract will commence as of December 5th, 2018.



DAMEN SHIPYARDS GROUP AND ABU DHABI PORTS SIGN CONTRACT FOR TWO DAMEN ASD TUGS 2411

In an official ceremony at the Abu Dhabi Boat Show, Damen Shipyards Group has signed a contract with Abu Dhabi Ports and its subsidiary Abu Dhabi Marine Services (Safeen) for the supply of two new Damen ASD Tugs 2411. The contract was signed by Captain Adil Ahmed Banihammad, the Acting Chief Marine Services Officer at Safeen, and Pascal Slingerland, Regional Sales Director for Damen Shipyards Group. Delivery of both vessels is due within three months.

Abu Dhabi Ports is a vital part of the Abu Dhabi economy, owning and operating 11 ports and managing over 55,000 vessel calls each year. The ASD Tugs 2411 will bring valuable additional vessel handling capabilities to the group. Examples of the class can be found operating all over the world and they are highly regarded for their excellent pulling power (70 tonnes), reliability and manoeuvrability, all contained within a compact, 24-metre hull.

The two tugs will join the twelve harbour tugs already in service with Safeen, the fleet operating subsidiary of Abu Dhabi Ports responsible for pilotage, mooring, vessel handing and towage at Abu Dhabi Ports, and will bring a new level of capability. In particular, they will be supporting vessel movements at Khalifa Port's two container terminals managed by ADT/MSC and COSCO Shipping Port Limited (CSPL) as well as EGA's berth for Bauxite shipped to its smelter in Al Taweelah.

The three-month delivery timetable is possible due to Damen's policy of building its most popular vessels for stock. The ASD Tugs 2411 are currently at being finished to the requirements of Abu Dhabi Ports / Safeen at Albwardy Damen, in the UAE, before sailing for Khalifa Port.

The ASD Tugs 2411 will join three other Damen vessels already in the Safeen fleet; a Stan Tug 1907 delivered earlier this year and the Shoalbuster 2609 *Al Maqtaa*, delivered in 2016. The *Al Shahama*, a Damen Buoy Maintenance Vessel built in 1994 in Abu Dhabi under Damen Technical Cooperation programme, is also an active member of the Safeen fleet. Local warranty and after-sales support will continue to be supplied by Albwardy Damen from its facilities in the United Arab Emirates.





Since 1978, Albwardy Damen has been providing a complete package of professional ship repair, shipbuilding and marine engineering services.

CDC & BOSIET Certified Riding squads are available to meet customer requirements on board vessels.



DIVING SERVICES

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