



Shippax News Bulletin – 27

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We have added a new press release section on our website where we publish the many press releases we receive. These press release news are published “as is” , i.e. this is how we get it from the senders. Please take a look at <https://www.shippax.com/en/press-releases.aspx> . If you want to have your relevant news published, please send it to news@shippax.se

The Shippax editorial team will take a summer break. Hence, there will be no Newsletter on Friday 13 and 20 July respectively.

However, should there be any breaking news, we'll do our utmost to post this as soon as possible.

We thank you for your understanding and wish you nice summer holidays!

The Shippax editorial team

CLdN to start direct Zeebrugge-Santander service

As of mid-September, CLdN will further expand its offering to the Iberian peninsula with a twice weekly Zeebrugge-Santander ro-ro service.

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Record passenger numbers for Eckerö Line
Eckerö Line, serving the Helsinki to Tallinn route with the 2001-built FINLANDIA, has released its passenger statistics for the period January-June and it shows a 15% increase compared to the same period last year, ending at 822,000 passengers. For the month of June, the company also broke its record, carrying 169,515 passengers, bringing Eckerö Line's market share to around 19%.



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Assembly of LNG-powered COSTA SMERALDA started at Meyer Turku
On 4 July the assembly of Costa Cruises' 182,700gt COSTA SMERALDA officially started at the Meyer Turku shipyard. The cruise ship, which will be delivered in October 2019, will be followed by a sister ship 2021.



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The advertisement features a blue background with white and yellow text. At the top, the Versonix logo is displayed above the word "SEAWARE" in large, bold, white letters. Below this, it reads "THE ULTIMATE RESERVATION SYSTEM FOR CRUISE LINES, FERRIES AND HOTELS". A list of four bullet points is shown on the left, each with a checkmark icon. On the right, there is a small image of a person's face and a bar chart. At the bottom, contact information and the website URL are provided.

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Record quarter for P&O Ferries' Zeebrugge-Hull lo-lo service

P&O Ferries' thrice weekly Zeebrugge-Hull lo-lo service that supplements its daily ro-pax service operated by the 2,230-lanemetre PRIDE OF BRUGES and PRIDE OF YORK, enjoyed record carryings during the second quarter.



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All four Baleària Eco Class vessels now in service

ECO AIRE, the fourth and last Eco Class passenger-only ferry built for Baleària by Spanish Astilleros Gondán has been delivered and is already in service on the Ibiza to Formentera route.



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2018 second quarter statistics for Tallink Grupp – record number of passengers in the month of June

According to the figures, Tallink transported more passengers this June than it has ever done in this month previously. The total number of passengers transported on all of the company's routes in June was 989,445, a 1.4% increase over the same month in 2017. The month also saw new passenger records on the Estonia-Finland route with 512,077 passengers, a 1.0% increase compared to the same period in 2017, and on the Estonia-Sweden route with 101,249 passengers transported, a 3.9% increase over the same period last year.



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T. Mariotti and Damen start partnership and announce two cruise ship LoIs for Seabourn

The Italian luxury cruise shipbuilding company, T. Mariotti, and Damen Shipyards Group have started a new partnership, combining their expertise and facilities to focus on the construction of cruise vessels under the new common brand MARIOTTI



DAMEN Cruise. Following the announcement of the partnership, it was revealed that a letter of intent had been signed with Seabourn for the construction of two ultra-luxury expedition cruise vessels.

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Germany's Phoenix Reisen buys Holland America Line's PRINSENDAM

It has taken four years but the wait has been worth it as German cruise line Phoenix Reisen gets the vessel it wants for its fleet expansion - Holland America Line ' s PRINSENDAM. The 39,051-gross-ton PRINSENDAM is the ideal fit for the



German operator and will join the existing four-ship fleet of Phoenix Reisen on 1 July 2019.

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Fjord1's HORGEFJORD delivered

The second of the two all-electric/plug-in ferries built by Turkish Tersan shipyard for Fjord1 has been delivered and is now on her way to Norway, expected to arrive in a couple of weeks. Built to a Multi Maritime design, the 3,500-gross-ton HORGEFJORD



has a 399-passenger and 120-car capacity. With a 112.5m length, she is slightly shorter than the 122.1m MØKSTRAFJORD, equally built by Tersan to service the same Krokeide-Hufthamar route. MØKSTRAFJORD was delivered earlier this year.

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Pentland Ferries vents its frustration with the delay in implementing the Scottish Government's passenger subsidy

The small, family-owned Scottish ferry operator Pentland Ferries has gone public with its frustration in the delay in implementing the Scottish Government's passenger subsidy. The operator says that they want the Government's RET (road equivalent tariff) scheme to reduce passenger fares to go ahead as soon as possible and are just waiting on confirmation that the scheme is legal.



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ORIANA set to leave P&O Cruises fleet in August 2019

With two new large cruise vessels set to join its fleet in 2020 and 2022 respectively, British cruise line P&O Cruises was always going to divest itself of smaller, ageing tonnage. The company announced that its 69,840-gross-ton ORIANA would be leaving the fleet in August 2019 following her last cruise for the company, a Norway and North Cape cruise from



Southampton, departing 22 July 2019.

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Stena Line “fully committed” to Fishguard ferry terminal in Wales

Stena Line has said that it is “fully committed to supporting and developing” its Fishguard ferry terminal following serious concerns about the Swedish company’s future intentions at the port after it confirmed on 20 June that it would



not be investing in a new GBP 5 million linkspan at the port. The work in installing the new linkspan would have closed the ferry port for three months in early 2019. Local councillors described it a “worrying time” for the town.

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Norled wins important contracts in Sognefjord

Norwegian fjord ferries operator Norled has been awarded two important contracts in Sognefjord in Sogn og Fjordane county. The contract covers two ferry services; the first one between Mannheller and Fodnes, the second is the triangular Hella-Vangsnes-Dragsvik route.



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Press releases

[Rolls-Royce signs agreement to sell commercial marine business to Kongsberg](#)

Rolls-Royce announced today (6 June) that it has signed an agreement to sell its Commercial Marine business, to KONGSBERG, for an enterprise value of £500m and net proceeds of around £350m to £400m.

[Deltamarin to design Expedition Mega Yacht for Norwegian Yacht Voyages](#)

Deltamarin has signed a contract with Norwegian Yacht Voyages AS for conceptual design and consultancy services for the CAROLINE expedition mega yacht project.

[Damen embarks on Danish full electric public transport project for Arriva](#)

Damen Shipyards Group recently signed a contract with leading multinational public transport company Arriva Danmark for five fully-electric ferries, known as the Damen Ferry 2306 E3. Damen E3 vessels are designed with the philosophy of being environmentally friendly, efficient in operation and economically viable. Arriva will operate the ferries for its client, Danish public transport agency MOVIA, in the country's capital city Copenhagen.

[Survitec supplies lifesaving essentials to Wightlink's new flagship vessel, VICTORIA OF WIGHT](#)

Safety solutions provider Survitec has been selected by Wightlight, one of the UK's largest domestic ferry operators, to supply lifesaving essentials to their new flagship vessel, VICTORIA OF WIGHT. Included within Wightlink's 45 multi-million-pound investment in the Portsmouth-Fishbourne route, the VICTORIA OF WIGHT is powered solely through hybrid energy, and can carry up to 278 cars and more than a thousand passengers.

[Remote inspections with collision-tolerant drone](#)

Visual and thermal surveys performed in enclosed spaces with a FHD/IR camera in a caged drone Current drone technology is implemented primarily in the fields of energy and industry in order to carry out outdoor examinations. Standard solutions and technologies are unable to operate closely with structures or in close proximity to workers, in confined spaces and critical environments.

[The biggest challenges to IoT adoption have been overcome say NAPA, Danelec Marine, ClassNK and Inmarsat](#)

The technology already exists to avoid accidents and deliver business benefits, conclude shipping tech leaders - but perceived cost and wariness of data sharing remain barriers to adoption

[Volvo Penta unveils hybrid marine propulsion concept](#)

Designed to enable zero emission running for marine vessels, Volvo Penta has unveiled a hybrid concept for its IPS propulsion system. The electric-only mode allows entry into environmentally sensitive zones, as well as offering enhanced onboard comfort and boat handling characteristics.

[Brodosplit signed new contracts with Italian Fincantieri](#)

Under the Agreement on long-term business and technical cooperation, Brodogradevna industrija Split and Italian group Fincantieri have signed two new contracts for the construction of fitted sections (grand blocks) for mega cruisers, which are being built in Italian shipyards.

[Scanship awarded clean ship system contract for SILVER DAWN by Fincantieri](#)

Scanship Holding ASA has through its subsidiary Scanship AS, been awarded contract by the Italian shipbuilder Fincantieri for the supply of a total clean ship system for SILVER DAWN. The ship, to be built for Silversea Cruises, will enter service in 2021.

[Tallink starts offering Alipay payment solution to customers](#)

Tallink is the first major Estonian company to start providing its customers with the option of paying by means of the world's largest electronic payment solution, Alipay. Starting from July it is possible to make payments on the company's shuttles MEGASTAR and STAR on the Tallinn-Helsinki route using the popular electronic payment solution. The primary target group of AliPay with its almost 870 million users worldwide is the ever-increasing segment of Chinese tourists.

[Navico® and C-MAP announce fusion](#)

Navico - the world's largest manufacturer of marine electronics and C-MAP - leading supplier of digital marine navigation products, both recreational and commercial, announced today the merger of the two companies. C-Map becomes with immediate effect another strong brand in the Navico portfolio alongside Lowrance®, Simrad® and B & G®. The merger will accelerate the company's shared ambition to create the world's largest digital marine ecosystem to provide customers across the world with the best possible experience on the lake.

[Viking Line Sign up for Adonis](#)

Adonis AS (Adonis), providers of global maritime HR solutions, today (29 June) announced that Viking Line AB (Viking Line) will implement the Adonis Personnel Suite for their offices in Mariehamn, Finland and onboard six of their ferries.

[VIKING boosts support for Japanese shipowners](#)

Spurred on by a highly successful alliance with MOL Techno-Trade, and recent government approvals for local liferaft assembly and supply, VIKING is establishing its own local presence.

[TTS maintains a strong position within the RoPax segment](#)

After signing important contracts with Guangzhou Shipyard and AVIC Weihai in China, TTS proves once again it's strong position in the RoPax segment.

[Evac to acquire leading marine and offshore equipment manufacturer Cathelco](#)

Evac, the world's leading provider of integrated waste, wastewater, and water management systems for the marine, offshore, and building industries, is to acquire Cathelco, a leading global manufacturer of equipment for ships and offshore installations. Cathelco customers include Evac's current marine and offshore customer groups, including ship owners, shipyards, fleet managers, rig owners and operators, oil companies, navies, and designers.

[DNV GL issues first type approval for aluminium cables onboard ships](#)

As the competitive and economic pressure on the shipping and offshore industries continues to grow, owners, operators and yards are searching for every efficiency. To support its customers, DNV GL has developed the first type approval scheme for the use of aluminium cables and connectors onboard vessels.

[ClassNK releases amendments to class rules](#)

Classification society ClassNK has announced that it released amendments to its Rules and Guidance for the Survey and Construction of Steel Ships on 29 June 2018.

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