Successful naming and launch ceremony for TSHD DC ORISANT by Royal IHC

Royal IHC successfully named and launched the multi-purpose 5,450m³ trailing suction hopper dredger (TSHD) DC ORISANT, for a joint venture between Den Herder (Reimerswaal Dredging) and Group de Cloedt. The ceremony took place on 11 January at IHC's shipyard in Krimpen aan den IJssel, The Netherlands and was performed by Mrs Ria den Herder, the wife of Mr Bert den Herder (owner of Reimerswaal Dredging).

"The contract was awarded on 8 August 2016, and the keel-laying took place on 17 July 2017," says IHC Account Director Benelux André Kik. "IHC is proud to build this versatile gravel hopper that it suitable for both the dredging and offshore wind market. The vessel is going to be an important benchmark for the industry."

"The DC ORISANT is a TSHD with full system redundancy and can perform a wide range of projects. This is due to its integrated design and the high standard of dredging equipment on board," says Mr Bert den Herder. "The dredge installation has been configured to dredge marine aggregates for the construction industry. The TSHD is also highly suitable for performing other projects, such as maintenance dredging and beach nourishment."

In addition, the DP2 installation will allow the DC ORISANT to perform support activities during the construction of offshore wind farms. It is the first complete diesel electric aggregate dredger on the market, which enables it to sail at the most economical speed in all situations. DC ORISANT will be handed over to her owners in mid-2018.



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