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DEME wins IADC Safety Award 2016

DEME was named winner of the annual IADC Safety Award during IADC's Annual General Meeting in Cascais, Portugal. The award was received for the "enhanced muster station" initiative on board of jack-up vessel 'Neptune'.

Each year IADC (International Association of Dredging Companies) honors one of its member companies that has shown outstanding achievement in the area of safety. The IADC Safety Award is intended to encourage the development of safety skills on the job and to reward people and companies who demonstrate special diligence in safety awareness.

The 2016 IADC Safety Award for 'Neptune's' "enhanced muster station" was presented to Lieven Durt, Director QHSE-S DEME, and Luc Vandenbulcke, Managing Director GeoSea, at IADC's Annual General Meeting that took place recently in Cascais, Portugal. The jack-up vessel Neptune is being deployed by GeoSea, DEME's subsidiary specialised in complex offshore marine engineering projects.

The muster station on board of jack-up vessel 'Neptune' was enhanced by painting numbered circles on deck. It is efficient during drills and emergency situations and it helps provide a quick overview of the number of people gathered at the muster station, the number of missing people and a way to identify those who are missing. This enhanced muster station can be applicable to all vessels and can be implemented at low cost (only a paint job) and with minimum effort.

Lieven Durt, Director QHSE-S at DEME said: "The idea, initiated by captain Dirk Pauwels of the 'Neptune', already received a DEME Innovation Award and it is being implemented over the entire DEME fleet. It is a great recognition of the captain's leadership and it will motivate colleagues like him to promote safety in a similarly creative and appealing way. The IADC Safety Award will therefore be seen not only as a reward for the efforts of the vessel's team, but also for that of the whole company."

About DEME

The Belgian dredging, environmental and marine engineering group DEME is an international market leader for complex marine engineering works.

Building on more than 140 years of experience and know-how, DEME has organically moved into several related sectors, such as the financing of marine engineering and environmental projects, executing complex EPC related marine engineering projects including civil engineering works, the development and construction of renewable energy projects, providing services for the oil, gas and energy sector, the decontaminating and recycling of polluted soils and silts, the harvesting of marine resources, etc.

Thanks to an integrated company structure, DEME strongly emerges as a 'global solutions provider' which offers its clients overall solutions. DEME has the most modern, high-tech and versatile fleet.

DEME Group has 4,600 employees worldwide and achieved a turnover of 2.35 billion euros in 2015. www.deme-group.com

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Left to right: Lieven Durt - Director QHSE-S DEME, Luc Vandenbulcke, Managing Director GeoSea, Peter De Ridder, IADC President.