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BOURBON invests in the renewal of its passenger transport fleet and plans to reduce fuel consumption by 20%

Six new versatile “Surfers” for more efficient and sustainable navigation.

Bourbon Mobility, one of the world leader in passenger transport in the Oil & Gas industry with over 1.7 million passengers in 2023, announces a major investment in renewing its fleet with the order of six new crewboats from Piriou shipyards. With a target of 20% reduction in fuel consumption, this new generation of crewboats illustrates the commitment of BOURBON and its teams to promoting sustainable navigation practices while optimising the energy efficiency of the vessels and modernising the fleet for the benefit of our customers.

These 6 new *Surfer*-type vessels will enhance the fleet operating in West Africa, offering customers **an optimal balance between modularity, comfort and energy efficiency**. With a length of 27 meters and a maximum speed of 30 kts, these *Surfers* will be able to carry between **50 and 70 passengers, depending on the chosen configuration, and offer two deck spaces for cargo (40m² at the stern and 20m² at the front), versatility highly appreciated by customers**. These connected vessels will enable real-time data analysis for continuous fuel consumption optimization or engine operating parameters.

This energy performance is the result of R&D project led by the Bourbon Mobility teams in collaboration with the **MAURIC** naval architecture firm for the *Surfer's* conception and design, in particular for the vessel's hydrodynamic lines and its optimised propulsion system and the **PIRIOU** shipyard for the construction.

These vessels benefit from excellent maneuverability thanks to their propulsion system. They are equipped with new comfortable passenger seats, with USB plugs on each seat. The navigation bridge has been completely redesigned with improved control stations allowing better visibility for the pilot and the very latest navigation equipment (radar, electronic chart).

Delivery of the vessels is scheduled for 2025.



François Leslé, CEO of Bourbon Mobility: *"This order of six Surfers illustrates our commitment to decarbonize our operations and provide innovative solutions to our customers. This order is the reward of hard work by our R&D teams, whom I congratulate, and significant investment by the Group in new technologies to the benefit of our customers. I also want to highlight the unfailing commitment of our partners in this project, MAURIC and PIRIOU."*

ABOUT BOURBON

BOURBON is operating in more than 30 countries and supports its customers by providing them with a wide range of marine services on oil, gas and wind fields. With a fleet of nearly 250 modern-standardised ships, the company and its 5,500 employees are working to achieve one ambition: to be a main partner for the major stakeholders in offshore energy, by building sustainable and innovative marine solutions. In this way, the Group aims to contribute to the decarbonisation of the offshore energy production value chain.

Strongly rooted in local communities, BOURBON makes proximity to its customers one of its key assets. Its worldwide network of subsidiaries, shipmanagers and partners enables it to operate anywhere in the world with the same level of quality and safety.

BOURBON comprises four main activities (Bourbon Marine & Logistics, Bourbon Mobility, Bourbon Subsea Services and Bourbon Wind) and has revenues of 542 million euros in 2022.

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