ECDIS suppliers deliver 225 STM systems

Three leading ECDIS-suppliers, Transas, Wärtsilä SAM Electronics and Adveto, will provide the first Sea Traffic Management-compatible on-board systems. Test Manager Björn Andreasson of Swedish Maritime Administration is content: “We are pleased to assign contracts to these market leaders and fore-running vendors, who together with the project can take a lead in the future development.” The decision was released earlier today at SMM in Hamburg:

“In Transas we strive to create and enable the connection of the dots in ship operations. Sea Traffic Management is in line with our vision as we want to show the industry how they can use technology to become more efficient” comments Frank Coles, Transas CEO

“Wärtsilä is giving customers a competitive advantage by converting new technology into reliable solutions. Sea Traffic Management will change how maritime actors share information and Wärtsilä is an innovative power that supports the development of the industry.” says Maik Stoevhase, Director, Automation, Navigation and Communication, Wärtsilä Marine Solutions.

The detailed specification of the requirements and interfaces is a major step towards making the vision of the open standard connected ship real. The Sea Traffic Management test introduces an infrastructure supporting maritime actors in providing and consuming services as well as information machine-to-machine, with more automated procedures than can be achieved today. The development of Sea Traffic Management is open, and all interested parties are invited to join as associate partners and take part in the development of the future.

Supplied services during the test include route optimisation, monitoring, port call synchronisation, ship to ship route exchange and many more. Fuel can be saved, port call efficiency increased and accident risk reduced.

Which will be the first 225 ships in the world to test and validate Sea Traffic Management with updated systems free-of-charge? Maybe yours? Participation is simple. Your ECDIS-supplier does the installation, and we use existing on-board systems. Only minor software updates and – perhaps – marginal system modifications are needed.

Seaing is believing!

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