



## PRESS RELEASE

### MCS AWARDED CONTRACT BY AAD FOR SUPPLY SERVICES IN ANTARCTICA

**Amsterdam, 30 March 2020** - Maritime Construction Services (MCS) announces today, that it has been awarded a contract by The Australian Antarctic Division (AAD) for Supply Services in the Antarctic region. The contract includes the resupply of several AAD stations in Antarctica, dedicated to climate research for the polar regions. The Multi-Purpose Vessel (MPV) EVEREST, the state-of-the-art DP3 Construction Vessel of MCS, will be deployed for the resupply expeditions. The project will take place from December 2020 until March 2021.

With the ICE Class 1A Super characteristics of the MPV Everest, this is the best equipped vessel worldwide to provide these services in Antarctica. The advanced systems onboard the EVEREST give it the smallest environmental footprint, while the large deck with strong cranes allows for the delivery of the largest project equipment, to the remote areas and in the hardest environments. Remotely operated vehicles can be deployed to do underwater work and research, if so required.

**Anton Shishkarev, Director of MCS says:** *"We are more than proud to support the AAD with our flagship the MPV Everest, in their mission to answer the big scientific questions of our time; to understand Antarctica and the Southern Ocean as the engine room for global climate research climate change research. The MPV Everest has been built with one idea in mind: to enable safe and reliable operations in the polar regions. The MPV EVEREST has proven its exceptional performance at recent projects. Together with the AAD, we have been preparing for several weeks, and we are looking forward to a successful cooperation and exciting project."*

#### DP3 Multi-Purpose Vessel EVEREST

The Multi-Purpose Construction vessel EVEREST is built to the latest standards and equipped with a wide range of capabilities and features. Due to its unique characteristics, the MPV Everest can continue operations safely, under the most challenging conditions. With 1,400m<sup>2</sup> of deck space a large quantity of project equipment or subsea structures/parts can be brought on board or lowered. The EVEREST is equipped with a 250MT Active Heave Compensated crane and three state-of-the-art ROV's, 18 men SAT system making the vessel particularly suited for subsea construction and other specialized projects.

The DP3 1A Super ice class multipurpose vessel EVEREST can handle the severest Polar conditions. Built to the latest standards this state-of-the-art vessel continues to work safely where other vessels must stop.

#### Specifications

Type	<b>Ice Class</b> Multi-Purpose Construction Vessel
Length and width	140 x 30 x13m
Deck space	1,400m <sup>2</sup>
Accommodation	140 personnel / 100 cabins
Power	25,000 kW

### Key Characteristics

DP3, Super Clean Ship with Green Passport, Ice Class 1A Super, winterized to -40°C, DSV, oil recovery and firefighting ship

[Download all specifications](#)

Additional pictures and video can be found there:

<https://cloudstor.aarnet.edu.au/plus/s/uldSw7z0LQlr2ds>

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### About Maritime Construction Services

Maritime Construction Services (MCS) is an emerging, independent offshore contracting and vessel management company. MCS provides high-quality project management and engineering services to the oil & gas majors and main contractors worldwide.

MCS has been established in 2015 as an independent Dutch entity, to execute international projects and deliver project management, tendering, business development and commercial support. The services of MCS range from pipelay, heavy lift and SURF to SAT diving. In addition, MCS serves its clients in the construction of ports & terminals and vessel management. MCS has a broad network of international partners to ensure to its clients, exclusive access to various offshore assets and local offices worldwide. For more information please visit [www.mcs.nl](http://www.mcs.nl).

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### About the Australian Antarctic Division (AAD)

The Australian Antarctic Division, based in Hobart, Tasmania, is part of the Australian Government's Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. The Division is responsible for Australia's presence and activities in the Australian Antarctic Territory and the Southern Ocean. The Division leads Australia's Antarctic Program.

The research conducted through the Australian Antarctic Program helps to develop technologies and policies that protect the Antarctic and Southern Ocean environments. It also enables Australia to contribute to and strengthen the Antarctic Treaty system and its environmental protection regime.

Supporting science on the ice requires a comprehensive logistics operation involving sea, air and ground transport and year-round research stations. Australia maintains three year-round research stations, Casey, Davis and Mawson and one on sub-Antarctic Macquarie Island. The population of the stations range between 40 and 100 expeditioners over summer and 15 to 20 over the harsh winter months. Each season more than 500 expeditioners travel south with the Australian Antarctic Program.

More information: <http://www.antarctica.gov.au/>