



ESVAGT's Service Operation Vessel for Statoil will soon be ready for charter.

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New SOV for Statoil will be ready sooner

ESVAGT's new service operation vessel for Statoil's Dudgeon Wind Farm will make a stopover in Stavanger during the ONS trade fair at the end of August.

ESVAGT has made an agreement with Havyard Ship Technology in Leirvik to speed up the process and have the vessel ready a week earlier than planned:

"The shipyard has been on schedule up to now – in fact even slightly ahead. When we realised that the vessel could be ready for the ONS trade fair by bringing forward delivery to the last week in August we decided to do so," says Kristian Ole Jakobsen, Chief Operating Officer for ESVAGT.

Visitors in Stavanger will now be able to get a closer look at a vessel type, which for many will be entirely new to them:

"We are pleased that the vessel can make a stopover in Stavanger during ONS because we would like to show the customers exactly what ESVAGT's SOV concept is all about," says Kristian Ole Jakobsen.

The hull of the new SOV was made at the Nauta Shipyard in Gdansk and is in Leirvik to have the cabins fitted out and decks and bridge equipped. The vessel will be equipped with a crane at the aft and extra strong hydraulic lift/elevators, as well as bow thrusters with increased capacity.

After the ONS trade fair, the SOV will enter into charter at the offshore wind energy farm off Great Yarmouth in the English sector.

Facts

The vessel will be christened in Great Yarmouth on the 9th of September 2016 in connection with the opening of Statoil's new base offices in the town. The popular Great Yarmouth Marine Festival will take place over the same weekend.

ESVAGT is a dedicated provider of safety and support at sea, founded on an experienced and well-trained offshore crew and unmatched rescue capabilities.

We support the offshore Oil & Gas industries with a wide range of specialized services: Standby, Emergency Response and Resque Vessels (ERRV), Oil spill response, Firefighting, Tanker assists, Rig moves, Supply services and Interfield transfer of cargo and personnel.

In 2010, ESVAGT brought the dedicated offshore wind Service Operation Vessels (SOV) to the market. The SOVs provide accommodation for up to 40 technicians, storage for small turbine parts and a workshop, plus personnel and equipment transfer capabilities by either Walk-to-Work gangway system or Safe Transfer Boats.

ESVAGT was founded in 1981 and has a fleet of more than 40 vessels and

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