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Solid example of the 'ESVAGT Standard'

The identity and values behind the shipping company are united in the 'ESVAGT Standard'. The latest rescue operation in the North Sea shows that this standard lives and thrives.

At the start of 2015, the 'ESVAGT Standard' put into words how the shipping company performs its tasks and its daily work. Everyday work is precisely where this standard begins, which is why workshops for roll out and implementation of the 'ESVAGT Standard' have not focussed on how to work differently. They have focussed on sharing good experiences and examples of the 'ESVAGT Standard' in the entire organisation.

A good example of living to the standard was shown in the North Sea in

September when the crew on board the “Esvagt Connector” saved the skipper of a Dutch trawler from the North Sea during a successful rescue operation.

“The operation succeeded because people did their absolute best from the moment the mayday call was received,” says Managing Director, Søren Nørgaard Thomsen:

“The crew went straight into alert, took charge and control as on scene commander – and used the training that made it all possible,” he says.

Søren Nørgaard Thomsen affirms that duties were prioritised correctly and uncompromisingly.

“On land, we were given a good, concise and concrete report that the vessel had commenced a rescue operation – and then things went quiet. The crew prioritised the rescue operation completely. An hour later we received a call from the vessel that briefly informed us that:

“Man overboard found and in good condition.”

The next information was that they would try to write a report that evening if they had time but they were very busy getting back to the customer who had a busy day planned, he says:

“It was a successful operation because the skipper was found and rescued – but also because just shortly afterwards, focus returned to the charter and the activities the customer had planned. That is the ‘ESVAGT Standard’ from start to end,” he says.

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 Rescue 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 more than 900 employees on- and offshore.

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