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EISAP ANNOUNCES TWO NEW INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATES

EISAP - European International Shipowners Association of Portugal, the association that represents the interests of national and international shipowners with ships flying the Portuguese flag, namely those registered in the International Shipping Register of Madeira -MAR, welcomes the entry of Langh Ship Oy Ab and Blue Planet Shipping as corporate members.

After having registered their first ships in MAR at the end of 2020, Langh Ship Oy Ab (Finnish shipowner) and Blue Planet Shipping (Greek ISM company) are now joining EISAP. Not only to strengthen the association's objectives and contributing all their experience in the maritime transport industry, but also benefiting from the representativeness that EISAP assures them with the maritime and governmental authorities in Portugal.

"The registration of the first vessel by Blue Planet and its entry into EISAP are an important milestone as they symbolize the growing interest the Greek market has been showing in the Portuguese flag," said Nuno Mendão, Secretary General of EISAP.

"Indeed, the recent changes to the MAR register introduced by Law 56/2020 of 27 August, in particular the approval of a new mortgage regime, to which must be added greater digitization and less bureaucracy of national entities that relate to shipowners, were essential elements to boost the interest of shipowners and companies with ships registered in other international registers that compete directly with it", concluded Nuno Mendão.

It should be noted that MAR closed the year 2020 with 616 registered ships, about 9% more than the previous year, with a total of 23 million deadweight tonnes.

Learn more about the new members here: <u>https://www.langh.fi/en</u> <u>https://www.blueplanetshipping.gr</u>

About EISAP

EISAP - European International Shipowners Association of Portugal was founded in 2016, representing more than 80% of shipowners that carry the Portuguese flag.

It is a private association. Headquartered in Funchal (with one office in Lisbon), ensuring proximity to the International Business Center of Madeira - which is part of the International Shipping Register of Madeira (MAR). Learn more here: <u>https://www.portugal-shipowners.com</u>



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