

Delivery

Hellespont extends fleet with PSV

Hamburg-based Hellespont group has extended its fleet of platform supply vessels (PSVs) with the delivery of the 3250dwt *Hellespont Dione*. Built at Drydocks World, Batam, in Indonesia, the vessel is the fifth vessel of a series to join Hellespont's offshore fleet. The previous four vessels were built in Cochin, India.

Hellespont Dione is a UT755LN type PSV with a 73.6m loa, beam of 16m, draught of 7m and deadweight of 3250dwt and 2050grt.

Hellespont group chief executive officer, Phrixos Papachristidis, said: "These five vessels are a clear statement of our intention to expand in the offshore field. These versatile vessels are all on long-term charter for seven years. Apart from our Hamburg-based ship management office we also have an offshore office in Singapore for the PSVs, which is close to key charterers so [that] we can build further relationships. That office is developing a cadre of experienced offshore crew directly employed by Hellespont. This gives us a good platform to expand the company to provide third-party management to other operators in the offshore service vessel field. For the future we are looking at opportunities and at the right time, and working with the right first-class charterer, we will expand the fleet further."