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Marine Suspension Technology

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Nauti-Craft Awarded Prestigious Royal Institution of Naval Architects / QinetiQ Maritime Innovation Award

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Australian based Nauti-Craft Pty Ltd has been awarded the prestigious 2018 Royal Institution of Naval Architects/QinetiQ Maritime Innovation Award for its development of the Nauti-Craft Marine Suspension System ("NCMSS"): an innovative approach to improving the ride, handling, comfort and safety of marine vessels. The Judging Panel considered that this development showed great innovation with the potential to provide benefits to the operational window for high speed craft, both civilian and military. The fact that the Nauti Craft team had committed to building a number of demonstrators and tested the concept was great to see and gave the Panel good confidence that the concept would actually work.

The award was presented to the Chairman, inventor and founder of Nauti-Craft, Mr Chris Heyring, at RINA's Annual Dinner in London last night. Mr Heyring stated, "Nauti-Craft are extremely honoured to accept this award from two such prestigious bodies in the maritime world. It also provides tremendous recognition to the team at Nauti-Craft and those that have backed the Company".

Mr Heyring also acknowledged the foresight and support of the Carbon Trust's Offshore Wind Accelerator program without whose guidance and support of over £600,000 the application of the technology to offshore wind applications would not be at a commercial ready stage.

The Carbon Trust's Manager Offshore Wind, Dan Kyle Spearman, stated "It is excellent to see the Nauti-Craft design receive this well-deserved award from industry. We have been supporting the Nauti-Craft's development since 2010 through our flagship Offshore Wind Accelerator programme and think the vessel is truly innovative and has great potential for use in the offshore wind industry. We are looking to the next stage of support to get a vessel in the water."

Background

Nauti-Craft Pty Ltd is a research and development company focused on the design and development of the Nauti-Craft™ marine suspension system. This patented technology separates the vessel's hulls from the deck and superstructure via a 'passive reactive' interlinked hydraulic system which provides increased levels of ride comfort, control and stability.

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The Royal Institution of Naval Architects (RINA) was founded in 1860 in London to "advance the art and science of ship design" today the Royal Institution of Naval Architects is a world renowned and highly respected international professional institution and learned society whose members are involved at all levels in the design, construction, maintenance and operation of all marine vessels and structures.

The Institution has members in over ninety countries, and is widely represented in industry, universities and colleges, and maritime organisations worldwide.

www.rina.org.uk

QinetiQ is a leading science and engineering company operating primarily in the defence, security and critical infrastructure markets. It is a UK listed company that was part of the former UK government agency, Defence Evaluation and Research Agency (DERA), which was privatised in June 2001. QinetiQ are an information, knowledge and technology based company with the breadth and depth of more than 3,000 scientists and engineers and a wide array of unique facilities. It is the 6th largest defence contractor in the UK.

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