



## **MAN Diesel & Turbo Makes Pledge at International Ocean Conference**

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### **Engine-retrofit commitment aims to move world's fleet towards clean technology**

Malta set the scene for the invitation-only 'Our Ocean 2017 Conference' this past October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> that brought together statesmen, government ministers and industry leaders from around the world to look to the future and deliver high-level commitments to preserve the world's oceans.

Hosted by the European Union's Karmenu Vella – EU Commissioner for the Environment, Maritime Affairs and Fisheries – areas of action during the conference included the topics of Climate Change, Marine Pollution, Sustainable Fisheries, Sustainable Blue Economies, Marine Protection Areas and Maritime Security.

Wayne Jones, OBE, Chief Sales Officer of MAN Diesel & Turbo, spoke from the floor at the conference and said: "We clearly recognise that our interests are best served by ensuring that the world's oceans remain in robust, good health. MAN Diesel & Turbo believes that it is time for what we call a 'Maritime Energy Transition' to find clean solutions for seaborne trade and transportation."

Jones concluded: "Just recently, my company set a new benchmark with the world's first conversion of a container ship from conventional fuel to gas operation. In order to encourage more ship owners to follow this example, MAN Diesel & Turbo is pledging a 2 million Euro discount for 10 such LNG-retrofits to convert existing HFO engines into modern, clean, efficient gas-engines. In doing so, we hope to play our part in moving the world's fleet towards the clean technology our industry and our oceans deserve."

Since 2014, the Our Ocean Conference has brought about 250 concrete actions across the world, committing over 8.2 billion Euros (US\$ 9.2 billion) from public funds and designating 9.9 million square kilometres as new Marine Protected Areas (MPAs).

### **The Maritime Energy Transition**

The term 'Maritime Energy Transition' stems from the German expression '*Energiewende*' and encapsulates MAN Diesel & Turbo's call to action to reduce emissions and establish natural gas as the fuel of choice in global

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shipping. It promotes a global 'turn to gas' driven by the IMO and a common approach of the shipping industry and politics to invest in infrastructure development and retrofits.

The company had launched this initiative in 2016 in the light of the historical Paris agreement, convinced that the shipping industry, too, needed to contribute. The initiative has since found a broad line of supporters in the shipping industry and German politics.

On Our Ocean 2017:

[https://ec.europa.eu/dgs/maritimeaffairs\\_fisheries/magazine/en/places/our-ocean-2017](https://ec.europa.eu/dgs/maritimeaffairs_fisheries/magazine/en/places/our-ocean-2017)



*Wayne Jones, OBE, Chief Sales Officer MAN Diesel & Turbo pledging 2 Million in discounts in LNG retrofits at 'Our Ocean 2017'*

### **About MAN Diesel & Turbo**

MAN Diesel & Turbo SE, based in Augsburg, Germany, is the world's leading provider of large-bore diesel and gas engines and turbomachinery. The company employs around 15,000 staff at more than 100 international sites, primarily in Germany, Denmark, France, Switzerland, the Czech Republic, India and China. The company's product portfolio includes two-stroke and four-stroke engines for marine and stationary applications, turbochargers and propellers as well as gas and steam turbines, compressors and chemical reactors. The range of services and supplies is rounded off by complete solutions like ship propulsion systems, engine-based power plants and turbomachinery trains for the oil & gas as well as the process industries. Customers receive worldwide after-sales services marketed under the MAN PrimeServ brand.

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