Spliothoff has placed an order for six new-generation multipurpose vessels

Amsterdam-based shipping company Spliothoff has placed an order for six multipurpose vessels at the Zhejiang Ouhua Shipbuilding Co., Ltd., shipyard in China. The vessels of this new R-Class are designed in accordance with the Polar Code and are therefore highly suitable to trade in remote areas such as the Arctic. Moreover, they will be optimized for fuel efficiency and equipped with scrubbers to reduce their environmental footprint as much as possible. Length overall is 165 meters and deadweight is approximately 18,000 ton.

With a hold length of over 100 meters and Heavy Lift cranes which are combinable, the vessels are highly suitable to operate in the specialized breakbulk market with heavy and outsized cargoes. The accommodation, including the navigation bridge, is situated at the bow end of the vessel and ultra-long pieces of, for instance, windmill equipment, will be well-protected when carried on deck.

The first vessel of the series, named mv Raamgracht is scheduled to be delivered in January 2019, followed, in regular intervals of two months, by her 5 sisters: mv Reaalengracht, mv Reguliersgracht, mv Rijpgracht, mv Ringgracht and mv Rozengracht.

Spliothoff is looking forward to continuing her close cooperation with Ouhua Shipyard.
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