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# BOURBON wins a contract to shipmanage the DRASSM's specialized vessels

Bourbon Offshore Surf has won a tender for the supply and management of the crew and nautical activities of the deep-sea vessels owned by the French Department of Underwater Archaeological Research (DRASSM) and named *Alfred Merlin* and *André Malraux*.

With the arrival in its fleet in 2021 of the *Alfred Merlin*, a 46-meter vessel that will carry out overseas missions, the DRASSM wanted to strengthen its presence by relying on a reputed professional of specialized vessels management. Thanks to its fifty years of experience in offshore oil and gas operations with high demanding safety standards, BOURBON will support the DRASSM in diverse fields: risk management (QHSE), crew and technical management. Its value proposition is based on the following four pillars: digital innovation, local partnership, customer focus and operational excellence.

*André Malraux* and *Alfred Merlin* are special vessels that share the same specificities as those of Bourbon Offshore Surf (dynamic positioning, acoustics, subsea operations and lifting capacities). The company has a pool of skilled and experienced seafarers that will be essential to this type of operations.

The digital tools that BOURBON is proposing to deploy will enable the DRASSM to receive operational data to monitor the performance of its vessels in total transparency. This environment will guarantee high operational performance in complete confidentiality and a 100% service rate.

"Congratulations to the Bourbon Offshore Surf teams who have worked hard for several months to win this new contract. We are very pleased to support the DRASSM and hope to establish a long-term partnership with this major player of underwater archaeology. The crisis in the offshore sector has committed us to diversify and offer new services with the same requirement for operational excellence that has made BOURBON a leader in the sector. We are thus deploying our strategy by offering a shipmanagement service on vessels that do not belong to BOURBON. This is a step further in our transition from shipowner to marine service provider, "said Yannick BELEY, CEO of Bourbon Offshore Surf.







## **ABOUT BOURBON**

A market leader in offshore marine services, BOURBON offers the most demanding offshore energy operators a broad range of surface and subsea marine services for oil & gas fields and wind farms. These services rely on a modern & standardized fleet of 458 vessels and on the skills of more than 8,200 highly qualified professionals. Constantly striving for operational excellence, the group provides a local service for customers in the 44 countries in which it operates, guaranteeing the very highest standards of quality and safety. BOURBON has three operating activities (Marine & Logistics, Mobility and Subsea Services).

In 2019, BOURBON achieved adjusted revenues of over €720 million.

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