

Press release

Scandlines' new hybrid ferry in operation

On Monday 23 May 2016, Scandlines' new hybrid ferry, M/V Berlin, will for the first time carry passengers when it departs from Rostock towards Gedser at 06:00.

Scandlines has now acquired all necessary certificates for the new hybrid ferry for the Rostock-Gedser route. M/V Berlin will therefore start practicing between Rostock and Gedser today Friday 20 May 2016, and on Monday 23 May 2016 at 06:00 the ferry will go into ordinary service.

"I am very proud of the result which we can present to our customers as of Monday. The project has been associated with several challenges, but walking around on the ferry, I am happy that we remained firm in our decision," says Søren Poulsgaard Jensen, Scandlines' CEO.

M/V Berlin is the first of two new hybrid ferries for the route Rostock-Gedser. M/V Berlin replaces M/V Prins Joachim, which will be transferred to European Seaways next week for future operation in Greece.

The sister vessel M/V Copenhagen is expected to go into service this autumn, thereby replacing M/V Kronprins Frederik in the schedule. Scandlines has however decided to keep M/V Kronprins Frederik on and use it as a replacement ferry on both the Rostock-Gedser and Puttgarden-Rødby routes. With an extra ferry, which can be deployed on both routes, both the total capacity and the stability of the schedules will be ensured.

The new ferries represent an investment of more than 140 million EUR per vessel. Together with the expansion of the port facilities and the BorderShop in Rostock, the ferries will complete Scandlines' strategic focus on expanding the central and eastern transport corridor between the European mainland and Scandinavia.

Read more about the new ferry on the Rostock-Gedser route:

<http://www.scandlines.com/about-scandlines/newferry.aspx>

Current photos in high-resolution can be downloaded here:

http://scandlines.mynewsdesk.com/latest_media/tag/nye-faerger-gedser-rostock

About Scandlines

Scandlines stands as a symbol of a historical and close cooperation between Denmark, Germany and Sweden since 1872. Under the names Scandlines and Scandlines Helsingør-Helsingborg three short ferry routes are marketed with high capacity and frequency and with a green vision for the future.

The core business is to provide an efficient and reliable transport service for both passengers and freight customers. The main focus for all activities in Scandlines is to create value for our customers on board the ferries as well as in the shops of Scandlines.

With more than 90,000 departures on 12 ferries, in 2015 Scandlines transported 15 million passengers, 3.3 million cars, 900,000 freight units and 65,000 busses on the routes Puttgarden-Rødby, Rostock-Gedser and Helsingør-Helsingborg.

Read more about Scandlines at www.scandlines.com

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