

## PRESS RELEASE

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### Boskalis awarded contract for Portsmouth access channel expansion in United Kingdom

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Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. (Boskalis) has been awarded a contract from the Defence Infrastructure Organisation of the Ministry of Defence for the capital dredging of the approach channel to the port of Portsmouth in the United Kingdom. The contract has a value of approximately EUR 35 million and the activities are due to commence in the second half of 2015.

The dredging activities are related to the deepening and widening of the 7 kilometer long approach channel. A total volume of approximately 3 million cubic meters of hard clay, sand and gravel will be removed over an 8 month period.

For this project medium-sized trailing suction hopper dredgers along with backhoe dredgers will be deployed. Customized working methods and continuous monitoring will be applied in order to meet the stringent environmental requirements.

*Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. is a leading global services provider operating in the dredging, maritime infrastructure and maritime services sectors. The company provides creative and innovative all-round solutions to infrastructural challenges in the maritime, coastal and delta regions of the world with services including the construction and maintenance of ports and waterways, land reclamation, coastal defense and riverbank protection. In addition, Boskalis offers a wide variety of marine services and contracting for the offshore energy sector including subsea, heavy transport, lifting and installation (through Boskalis, Dockwise and Fairmount) and towage and salvage (through SMIT). Furthermore, Boskalis has a number of strategic partnerships in harbor towage and terminal services (Keppel Smit Towage, SAAM SMIT Towage and Smit Lamnalco). With a versatile fleet of 1,000 units Boskalis operates in around 75 countries across six continents. Excluding its share in partnerships, Boskalis has approximately 8,500 employees.*

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