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Polish Coast Guard OPV

SOCARENAM and all its employees are very proud to announce the signing of a contract with the Polish Coast Guard for the design and manufacture of an Offshore Patrol Vessel.

Following a European call for tenders with competitive bidding launched at the end of 2019, SOCARENAM was able to develop and propose a tailor-made, high-performance and competitive technical solution designed to meet the Coast Guard's demanding specifications. After the delivery of the 3 patrol boats for the French Customs, the 2 patrol boats for the Belgian Navy, the 3 patrol boats for the French Navy and the next 6 under construction also for the French Navy, SOCARENAM confirms its position as leader, in France and Europe, for the design and construction of high-tech offshore patrol boats.

Designed in collaboration with the MAURIC naval architecture firm in Marseille and 70 meters long, the patrol boat will have a reinforced steel hull and aluminum superstructures. With a capacity to accommodate 35 people autonomously for one month, the vessel will be equipped with two high-speed RHIBs and an aerial mini-UAV. It will be financed by the European Internal Security Fund and the Polish State, and will be operated by the Polish Coast Guard, mainly for the control of the European Union's external borders. It will be based in Gdansk and will be able to operate in all European waters, from the icy waters of the Baltic Sea to the warm waters of the Mediterranean.

The patrol boat, a truly multi-purpose vessel, will be able to carry out many State Action at Sea missions and will be equipped with all the necessary equipment: from intervention RHIBs to fire-fighting monitors, anti-pollution equipment, a mini surveillance UAV and a large open area dedicated to the accommodation of survivors.

This new contract demonstrates once again SOCARENAM's ability to design and build customized vessels to meet the needs of State Action at Sea organizations. It will enable the shipyard to continue its growth in this market sector, thereby strengthening its involvement in the recruitment and training of new employees to ensure the long-term development of skills.

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