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GF Piping Systems enters partnership with Technava in the Greek shipping industry

Technava is a supplier and contractor based in Athens who specializes in shipbuilding. With this partnership, GF Piping Systems aims to provide the Greek shipping industry with lightweight, long-lasting, and cost-effective flow solutions while also improving the availability of mission-critical components.

Shipping is a major industry in Greece, the country controls about a fifth of the world's merchant fleet. To ensure the continuous and efficient operation, shipowners and operators rely on suppliers that meet tight deadlines and offer long-lasting as well as cost-effective components. In addition, suppliers need to act as a link between European planners and Asian shipyards that build many of the vessels. Together, GF Piping Systems and Technava are therefore offering complete thermoplastic flow solutions for various applications on board and comprehensive support in all project phases.

Swiss flow solutions provider GF Piping Systems is deeply rooted in the marine sector. The thermoplastic piping systems, components, and services with marine approvals have been trusted by shipyards, owners, and operators for more than 30 years. Applications include water treatment and distribution, grey and black water disposal, cooling, exhaust gas scrubbing, and ballast water. Besides pipes and fittings, the company also provides equipment for measurement and control, as well as automation and jointing. Thermoplastic piping systems are corrosion-free which leads to a service life of up to 25 years and beyond, while their low weight and high energy efficiency help ships to become more sustainable. In addition, GF Piping Systems has a global presence with 36 production sites and 18 prefabrication facilities in a total of 31 countries and is therefore capable of customized solutions according to customer specifications.

Technava has been supplying marine equipment and technical support to the Greek shipping industry since 1968 and works on new builds as well as retrofits and conversions. The company is known for its engineering expertise and collaboration with the marine sector's leading manufacturers.

Julian Backes, Head of Sales Marine EMEA at GF Piping Systems, emphasizes the importance of the partnership with Technava: "The Greek shipping industry is an important global market. We believe that our presence and focus on complete solutions can add value by bridging the gap between Greek owners and Asian shipyards. With our partner Technava, who is a key player, we are now able to offer cutting-edge and customizable piping systems to one of the world's biggest merchant fleets, creating more connections for life."

Byron Tomazos, President Technava adds: "We believe in the partnership with GF Piping Systems as we both value customer proximity, from the planning and engineering phase to the installation on board. And, thanks to our global network, Technava and GF Piping Systems can also offer a wide range of after-sales and retrofit services that ensure an optimal long-term operation."

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GF Piping Systems

As the leading flow solutions provider for the safe and sustainable transport of fluids, GF Piping Systems creates connections for life. The division focuses on industry-leading leak-free piping solutions for numerous demanding end-market segments. Its strong focus on customer-centricity and innovation is reflected by its global sales, service, and manufacturing footprint and its award-winning portfolio, including fittings, valves, pipes, automation, fabrication, and jointing technologies.

GF Piping Systems has its own sales companies in 31 countries, which means it is always by its customers' side. Production sites in 36 locations in America, Europe, and Asia ensure sufficient availability and quick, reliable delivery. In 2022, GF Piping Systems generated sales of CHF 2'160 million and employed 8'085 people. GF Piping Systems is a division of Georg Fischer AG, founded in 1802 and headquartered in Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

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Picture



Byron Tomazos, President Technava and Julian Backes, , Head of Sales Marine EMEA at GF Piping Systems confirming the new partnership.

Source: Technava



Group picture at the signing event.

F.l.t.r:

Alexandros Alexandropoulos (New **Building Department** Manager Technava); Giorgio Caviglia (Sales Manager Marine South Europe GF Global Industries); Julian Backes (Head of Sales Marine EMEA GF Global Industries); Soeren Brogens (Sales Director GF International); Byron Tomazos (President Technava); Konstantinos Fasoulopoulos (Project Department Technava); Antonis Pavlou (Business Development Manager Technava); Konstantinos Doumas (Sales Technava); Konstantinos Talianis (Sales Technava)

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