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Naming ceremony held for Japan's first new-build green methanol-fueled container ship

Maersk AS* (CEO Vincent Clerc) green methanol-fueled container ship has arrived at the Port of Yokohama for the first time. The naming ceremony was held today.

It is the first time a naming ceremony for a super-large green methanol container ship carrying approximately 16,000 containers has been held in Japan and the second time in the world. The first time was in South Korea on January 26th.

At the naming ceremony, the Godmother (Mrs Makoto Uchida, wife of the president of Nissan Motor Co.) named it 'Astrid Maersk'. From the City of Yokohama, Mayor Takeharu Yamanaka and Naoko Fukushima, Vice-Chair of the Yokohama City Assembly, attended.

The City of Yokohama has been promoting the formation of a carbon-neutral port with the aim of realizing a decarbonized society by 2050. Last December, the City of Yokohama, Maersk AS and Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Company, Inc. signed MOU for the purpose of promoting the use of green methanol, including the implementation of fuel supply at the Port of Yokohama.

We will continue our efforts to promote decarbonization so that the Port of Yokohama will become Japan's first green methanol supply base.

*AS means "stock company" in Danish



Mayor Yamanaka gives a welcoming speech.



Naming Ceremony: (Mayor Yamanaka is second from the left and Vincent Clerc, CEO, is fifth from the right)



Details: Name: Astrid Maersk Flag: Denmark Gross Tonnage: 167,090 G/T TEU: 16,200 TEU LOA: 349.2 m Breadth: 53.5 m



Astrid Maersk

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