

*International Ship Recycling Association positive about green recycling capacity*

## Adem Simsek voted new chairman of I.S.R.A

Hong Kong, December --, 2010 - Adem Simsek has been appointed as the new chairman of the International Ship Recycling Association (ISRA) during the association's 5<sup>th</sup> General Meeting on December 13 in Hong Kong. Mr Simsek, managing director of Simsekler Ship Recycling Ltd. Co., Turkey, succeeds Janice Liu Guohong who has been chairman of ISRA for the past three years. Mr Li Hongwei of Changjiang Ship-Recycling Yard has been elected as vice chairman of ISRA.

In his inaugural speech as chairman of the international ship recycling body Mr Simsek thanked Janice Liu Guohong of the Chinese Zhongxin ship recycling yard for her valuable contribution to ISRA both as chairman and as one of the founding members of the association.

Adem Simsek, said as a new chairman of ISRA he is delighted to continue leading the environmentally sound and safe ship recycling yards towards a greener world. "I would like to stress the importance of a continuously improvement process of ship demolition and waste management for all of us".

During this week's ISRA General Meeting in Hong Kong a fast ratification of the IMO Hong Kong Ship Recycling Conference was advocated as a minimum standard to go forward in ship recycling. The members reconfirmed their efforts in protecting the environment and ISRA said it would continue their efforts in convincing ship owners to bring their end of life ships to ISRA members if they want to have insurance that their ship is being demolished in a proper "green" way. ISRA members today have more than sufficient capacity to handle all green ship breaking demands, with green recycling capacity rapidly to be increased following a growing demand.

### Extra Information.

The International Ship Recycling Association , founded in 2007, is uniting the strongest and most green ship recycling yards in the world. Their aim is to promote environmentally sound and safe ship recycling and to continuously improve the quality of the process of ship demolition among their members. ISRA wants to give the ship owner the trust that by bringing their end of life ship to an ISRA member he acts in line with a sustainable environmentally sound policy and he is coping in line with Corporate Social Responsible behaviour. At present the green ISRA capacity is already sufficient to handle more than 30% of the present demand.

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