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currently manufacturing 70 doors solely for river cruise boats being built for Viking River Cruises, and ordered by Neptun Werft and Meyer Werft. As many as 20 doors were already delivered to Meyer Werft in May 2013, with 50 due to Neptun Werft in September 2013. In addition to this, Schoenrock has received options for a further 50 doors from Neptun Werft and 20 from Meyer Werft.

Every ship will be fitted with a total of five Schoenrock doors. Four of these doors will be the conventional hydraulic watertight sliding-door model, and one will be the new SHIPTIGHT hydraulic watertight sliding-door model. In comparison with competing products, the SHIPTIGHT hydraulic watertight door has variable opening times and, considering its compact construction, is very light. This allows the door to be opened and shut frequently without problems. It can be supplied in various sizes and is able to withstand a water column pressure of up to 15m. The use of a frame profile with a high degree of stiffness plus a Y-section seal makes for the optimum equalisation of mounting tolerance when welding in place. This, in the final instance, lowers commissioning costs. The quide rail and quide rollers are manufactured from stainless steel and are therefore rustproof; the sealing surface has also been rustproofed.

Further information

Schoenrock Hydraulik Marine Systems www.schoenrock-hydraulik.com

The customised shipbuilding specialist

Shipyard De Hoop was founded in 1889 and has developed to become one of the most established yards of the Dutch shipbuilding



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industry. The company concentrates on designing, engineering and building customised vessels for the inland and seagoing markets.

De Hoop has two shipbuilding facilities – one in the Dutch province of Gelderland (De Hoop Lobith) and the other in the province of Groningen (De Hoop Foxhol). At both sites, the required core disciplines for building a complete vessel, and providing clients with creative and innovative solutions in design and production are all inhouse. Supporting both facilities is an outfit quay in the Rotterdam harbour area.

As well as engineering and building specialised vessels, there is a growing market for Shipyard De Hoop in the areas of conversion, and maintenance and repair works. This service gives existing customers a longterm service contract that helps control total costs and assures quality during the life cycle of their vessels.

Shipyard De Hoop provides a 24/7 service throughout the year, which fits perfectly with the customer-oriented ethic of the yard, where quality, creativity, innovation and flexibility towards clients are paramount. The shipyards pride themselves on embracing the latest technology, constantly investing in new facilities, evolving services and expanding their expertise. Each product is unique, built with a goal-based approach and always delivered on time.

Further information Shipyard De Hoop www.dehoop.net

Expert functional housekeeping at sea

As a premium supplier, Wanzl offers a full housekeeping range for functional, costefficient and user-friendly service out on the waves. One highlight from the product range is the series of highquality chambermaid trolleys, which are agile, smoothrunning, easy to manoeuvre and provide perfect room service in an instant. The fifth castor is a particularly ingenious feature and allows the trolley to be turned on the spot, even in tight spaces.

With extensive, individual equipment options for guest supplies, the turndown service, laundry, environmentally friendly recycling and waste separation, the chambermaid trolleys can be precisely tailored to customer wishes. Ergonomic handcarts take care of laundry transport, while space-saving, nesting and folding mobile containers are put to work for logistics.

Viking River Cruises, a world leader in river cruises, ordered housekeeping equipment for ten new comfort ships. Bostonbased cruise company Vantage Deluxe World Travel is yet another customer, with its River Venture and River Splendor cruise ships, as is Avalon Waterways with its



The MS *Europa 2*, named as best ship in the world by the *Berlitz Guide*, employs housekeeping products from Wanzl.

exclusive designer ships, the MS Avalon Artistry II and MS Avalon Expression. And for the new AIDAstella ocean cruise liner, the tenth club ship from AIDA Cruises, Wanzl supplied housekeeping products and mobile containers for optimised transport.

The new 500-passenger ship MS *Europa 2* from Hapag-Lloyd has been sailing since May 2013, and the *Berlitz Cruise Guide* has awarded it the highest ranking of "5-star plus" and named it as the best ship in the world. Wanzl is also on board here – taking care of the housekeeping.

The next ship to feature Wanzl's chambermaid trolleys and housekeeping products will make its maiden voyage in June 2014, when the new luxury *Mein Schiff 3* from TUI Cruises sets sail.

Further information

Wanzl www.wanzl.com