
Columbia Shipmanagement enhances global presence with new office in Dubai

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Columbia Shipmanagement (CSM), member of Columbia Group, is stepping up its presence in the Middle East with the launch of a new office in Dubai.

Building on its 45 years of shipmanagement expertise, the strategic expansion will complement CSM's existing operations in Saudi Arabia, aimed at strengthening the shipping industry and fostering partnerships across the region.

Located in one of the world's premier maritime hubs, CSM Dubai is ideally positioned to play a significant role in the Middle East maritime sector.

The new office will offer the full spectrum of the Columbia Group integrated maritime services with diverse support to all its stakeholders as well as full 'second party' technical and crew management services.

CSM Dubai will offer top notch vessel digitalisation and optimisation services through Columbia's platform, in addition to procurement, training, catering, crew welfare and newbuilding consultancy. It will also act as a valuable springboard for the new entity's expansion into the luxury aviation, super yacht, and cruise management sectors in Dubai.

Xanthos Kyriacou, Regional Managing Director at Columbia Group, said: "Dubai's role as a dynamic maritime centre and our established relationships in the area make it the ideal setting for our new office.

"The city's prime location enhances our connectivity with key players in the Middle East, Africa, and Asia. Moreover, Dubai's advanced logistics infrastructure and the presence of a diverse maritime community with cutting-edge facilities, all align perfectly with our goals to evolve and lead in supporting local partners through our maritime services platform."

Mark O'Neil, CEO of Columbia Group, remarked on the expansion: "The UAE's maritime industry offers huge potential not only in shipmanagement but for Columbia Group's platform of integrated maritime services to the region.

"The new Dubai office allows us to enhance our relationships and explore new

business avenues, emphasising our dedication to growth and excellence both in the region and globally.”

With over four decades of maritime management excellence, CSM Dubai is set to enrich Columbia Shipmanagement’s global network, reflecting the Group’s commitment to innovation and quality in maritime, logistics, leisure, energy, and offshore services.

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