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Six group-3 vessels have their lives extended

Several of ESVAGT's oldest vessels still have important roles to play – therefore their lives will now be extended with comprehensive overhauls. 'Esvagt Echo' is first to go.

ESVAGT cannot be blamed for taking part in the 'use and throw away' culture.

Six of the vessels are still active that were the very first to break the wave tops when the shipping company was still young – and now their lives are going to be extended at that, so that they can go to sea for another good

many years in the service of ESVAGT.

'Esvagt Echo', 'Esvagt Bravo', 'Esvagt Promotor', 'Esvagt Protector', 'Esvagt Preventer', and 'Esvagt Preserver' are among the oldest in the fleet, but instead of being pensioned, the vessels will be overhauled inside out on the Søby Shipyard. First to go is 'Esvagt Echo':

- It comprises both an engine technical upgrading and a crew welfare upgrading, says Bjørn Viig, Fleet Group Manager in ESVAGT:

- The vessels are out of date as they are, but they will not be for long.

The Grand Tour

It is individual from vessel to vessel what changes are going to be made, and ESVAGT, the designer OSK Shiptech and the ship yard work together on the individual case from vessel to vessel. For the same reason two crew members from 'Esvagt Echo' have been installed in holiday accommodation close to Søby Shipyard so that together with the ship yard they can follow and participate in the work.

For the crews the changes of comfort will be significant. New flooring, ceilings, bulkheads, furniture and other requirements.

The crew will also enjoy the upgrading of the electric system, which comprises a new TV system, putting together all the IT communication equipment, new lamps and new installations in the accommodation in general.

In the wheel house and machines there will be considerable changes. A new radar will be fitted, Nav-tex, weather plotter, new UHF and GPS navigation, and there will be a new alarm and fire monitoring system, which also requires replacement of the existing CO2 plant to a modern Energen system that enables faster and completely safe fire fighting.

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In 2010, ESVAGT brought the dedicated offshore wind Service Operation Vessels (SOV) to the market. The SOVs provide accommodation for up to 40 technicians, storage for small turbine parts and a workshop, plus personnel and equipment transfer capabilities by either Walk-to-Work gangway system or Safe Transfer Boats.

ESVAGT was founded in 1981 and has a fleet of more than 40 vessels and more than 900 employees on- and offshore.

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