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Saab Wins Shipping Safety Contract for World's Largest Container Port

Saab has received an order from the China Maritime Safety Administration to renew and extend the Vessel Traffic Management Information System (VTMIS) in Shanghai, improving the safety and efficiency of shipping in the number one container port in the world.

Starting in November 2018, the project will take 18 months to complete, and includes the replacement of most of the existing radar and communications systems, two traffic centres and the delivery of a new supervisory centre.

"Saab's expertise in upgrading complex existing systems with minimal operational disturbance was a key consideration for the China Maritime Safety Administration. With a daily import and export of 3 billion dollars' worth of goods, port users need continuous safe and efficient shipping, and that is what Saab enables," says Jessica Öberg, head of Saab business area Industrial Products and Services,

The original system put in place by Saab in 2005, was built to protect the 33 km Donghai bridge that connects the Yangshan Deep Water Port to the mainland. Saab will now extend the system to include the Wusong area as well.

At any given moment, over ten thousand ships sail the Shanghai port region. Their operations are often affected by dense fog in the area. The impact of adverse weather would be much larger without Saab's VTMIS in place.

Saab leads the way in providing safe, efficient and easily configurable solutions for marine geomatics, navigation, search & rescue, coastal surveillance, port security and traffic management. Saab's solutions are deployed in more than 100 ports including eight of the top 20 container ports in the world. Saab has over 70 traffic centres in operation, keeping track of over 50 000 vessels in ports such as Hong Kong, Rotterdam, Shanghai and several Australian ports.

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