

Press release

Boskalis shareholders approve proposed Smit merger

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At the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. (Boskalis) held earlier today, a vast majority of the shareholder votes (approximately 99%) approved the proposed merger with Smit Internationale N.V. (Smit).

The general meeting also approved the appointment of Mr. Hazewinkel as a member of the Supervisory Board of Boskalis. The appointment of Mr. Hazewinkel is contingent on the offer for Smit being declared unconditional, after which he will be appointed to the Board with immediate effect for a four-year term. The appointment expands the Supervisory Board to six members.

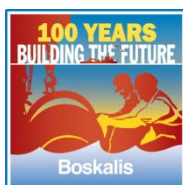
During the meeting the proposal was announced to appoint Mr. Vree, CEO of Smit, to the Board of Management of Boskalis. The Supervisory Board appointed Mr. Vree, subject to the completion of the offer for Smit, for a four-year term. The appointment expands the Board of Management to four members.

Furthermore, Mr. Kamps, currently CFO and a member of the Board of Management of Boskalis, was reappointed for a term of four years.

Annual results 2009

Tomorrow 18 March 2010 Boskalis will publish its annual results at 07:00 hrs (CET).

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Royal Boskalis Westminster N.V. is a leading global services provider operating in the dredging, maritime infrastructure and maritime services sectors. We provide creative and innovative all-round solutions to infrastructural challenges in the maritime, coastal and delta regions of the world including the construction and maintenance of ports and waterways, land reclamation, coastal defense and riverbank protection. The company holds important home market positions in and outside of Europe and targets all market segments in the dredging industry. It also has positions in strategic partnerships in the Middle East (Archirodon) and in offshore services (Lamnalco). Boskalis has a versatile fleet of over 300 units and operates in over 50 countries across five continents. Including its share in partnerships, Boskalis has approximately 10,000 employees. Boskalis celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2010.

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