

WinGD and Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions cooperate on engine service

Swiss marine power company WinGD has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions, a leading shipbuilder and repair yard, to expand engine aftercare and technical services in the Middle East. The partnership, agreed during Nor-Shipping in June, will strengthen delivery of WinGD's new lifecycle services offer, Global Service by WinGD, to Middle Eastern ship operators by enhancing regional capabilities in engine maintenance, repair, overhaul, and retrofitting.

The collaboration will leverage Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions' strategic location and quality infrastructure, alongside WinGD's deep expertise in engine design, to deliver efficient and high-quality engine aftercare and technical support for vessel operators in the region. Global Service by WinGD expands the company's original in-service support and technical advisory—previously only delivered directly during the engine warranty period—across the entire vessel lifecycle.

WinGD Director of Global Service Rudolf Holtbecker said: "Shipowners today are looking for trusted partners who can provide expert support at every stage of an engine's life. This MoU establishes one footprint in the Middle East area as part of our commitment to delivering tailored, OEM-quality services worldwide - ensuring vessels remain efficient, compliant, and profitable over the long term."

Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions', CEO Jos J.A.A. Goris added: "WinGD is the ideal partner to make sure our customers have access to the very best engine advice, remote support and retrofit solutions. This collaboration enhances our offer to shipowners and operators seeking to maintain and enhance operational efficiency across their fleets and extend vessel compliance."

Developed in collaboration with customers to meet real-world needs, Global Service by WinGD builds on more than 125 years of two-stroke engine design expertise. The service offer pairs WinGD's deep-rooted understanding of vessel energy systems with a global network delivering on-time and on-budget field service and technical support, well timed to support more than 100 LNG carriers powered by WinGD engines that will be operating on Qatar projects from 2026. Alongside WinGD's portfolio of digital optimisation, hybrid energy integration and management, and crew training solutions, Global Service helps customers navigate today's challenges and those of tomorrow.

"This isn't just about engine service, it's about trusted partnership," added Holtbecker. "Through this agreement, our customers in the Middle East can access the WinGD engineering and knowhow they rely on precisely where they need it for their growing fleets."

The service offer will be available to all customers of a WinGD-designed engine, setting a new standard in global aftercare for those engines.

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WinGD in brief

WinGD advances the decarbonisation of marine transportation through sustainable energy systems using the most advanced technologies in emissions reduction, fuel efficiency, hybridisation and digital optimisation. With their two-stroke low-speed engines at the heart of the power equation, WinGD sets the industry standard for reliability, safety, efficiency, and environmental design - supported by Global Service by WinGD, which delivers tailored 24X7 lifecycle engine support through Swiss engineering excellence, dependable maintenance, rapid global response, and genuine parts to keep engines performing at their best. Wärtsilä Services Switzerland Ltd remains an authorised global service provider.

Headquartered in Winterthur, Switzerland since its origin as the Sulzer Diesel Engine business in 1893, today WinGD is powering the transformation to a sustainable future.

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About Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions:

Qatar Shipyard Technology Solutions, an award-winning shipyard was inaugurated on November 23, 2010, as part of the Erhama Bin Jaber Al Jalahma Shipyard complex. Our identity emphasizes our capacity, capability and commitment to deliver a comprehensive range of Ship and Rig Repair, Ship Conversion, Newbuild & Fabrication of Offshore and Onshore Structures, solutions and services that are Safer, Faster, Better and consistently exceed our customers' and stakeholders' expectations in the Energy industry. As Qatar's premium shipyard, we actively partner major global vendors on a variety of innovations, technology solutions and services to provide greater economic benefits and contribute to sustainable development by meeting the needs of the current and future operational and environment-related compliance requirements.

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