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## **Challenges and solutions for integrating ships and boats**

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# BAE Systems Small Boats

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- Specialist military craft 6m – 18m
- New build and through-life support
- Halmatic legacy products

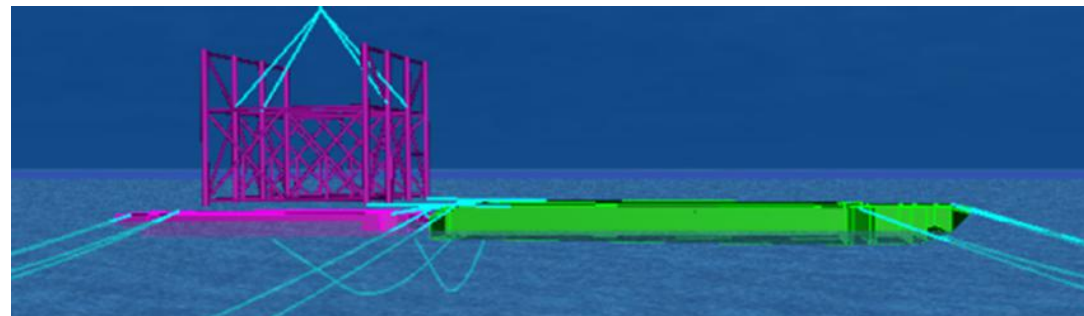


# LOC/ Longitude Engineering

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- London Offshore Consultants established 1979
- Casualty investigation, Survey, Expert witness – wide services
- 200+ Engineers and Master Mariners
- 20+ offices worldwide
  
- Longitude Engineering established 2006
- Design, analysis, mooring, structures, stability, conversions
- 40+ Engineers
- 5 offices worldwide



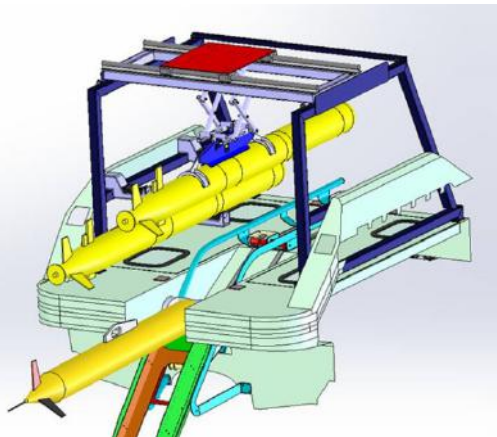


# Longitude Engineering – Small Craft/ Defence

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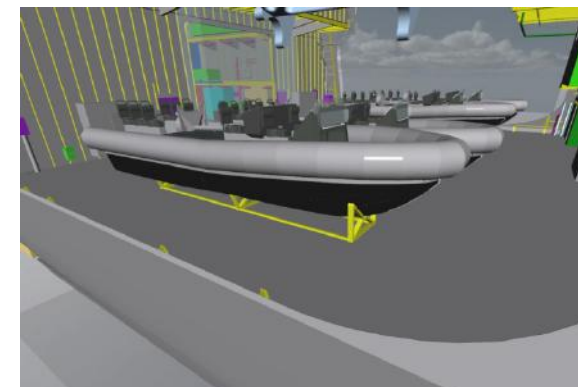


- Established in 2012
  - Independent engineering support
  - Special marine projects
  - Engineering project management
  - Concept and detailed design
  - Naval Architecture
  - Product development and bid support
  - Application of new technologies
- Focus on small and medium sized vessels
- Military, commercial and rescue backgrounds
- Boats-ships-equipment-operations-environment



# Scope of presentation

- Routinely performed across the maritime industry
- Potentially hazardous evolution
- Various approaches are available for launch and recovery
- Safe systems must be ensured
- Repeatable and predictable evolution
- Meet operational requirement
- Cope with environmental conditions
- Time and cost efficient
- 3 x case studies – common issues and potential solutions





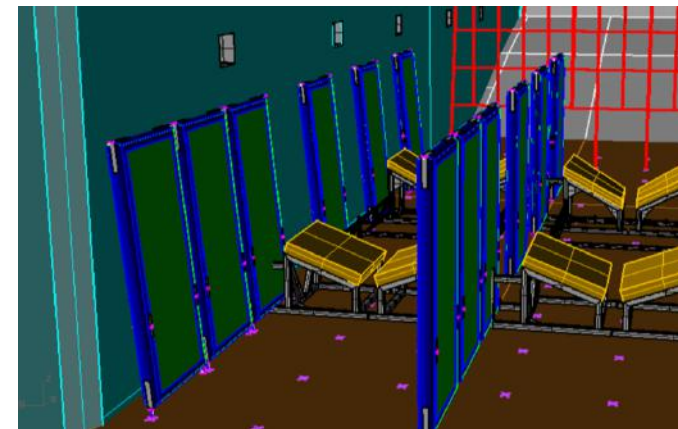
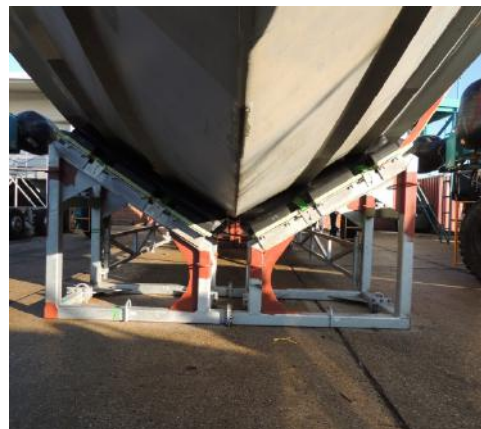
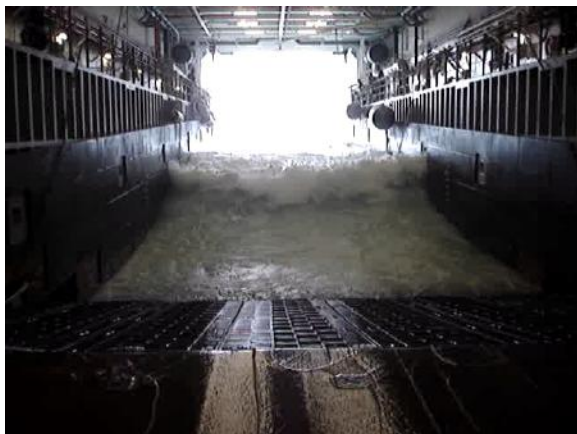
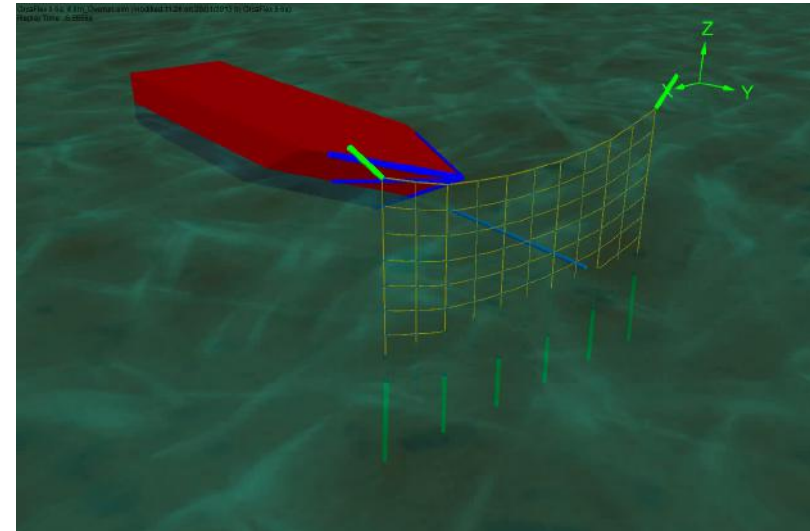
# Case study 1: Basic Davit systems

- Often different providers for boat/ davit/ ship
- Davit and boat may not match
- Solution can be constrained by ship decisions made prior to the boat/ davit selection
- Development/ purchase cost vs functionality can be driven by procurement
- A single davit type may not suit across a fleet of ships
- Through life changes effect system
- Potential for damage to craft
- Potential for human error and crew injury
- Develop design as an integrated system
- Design for safety



## Case study 2: Military docking system

- Very onerous docking system requirement
- High speeds, low space envelopes, craft size and weight, high sea states
- Critical dynamic load prediction
- Innovative concept and detailed solutions required
- Integration of ship, boats, crews and equipment
- Design for Safety – risk mitigation
- Composite structural analysis

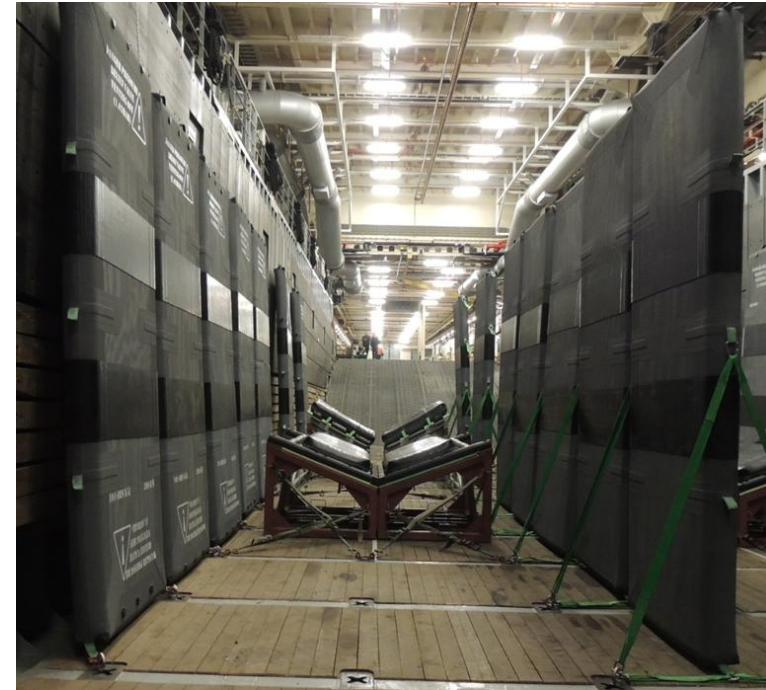


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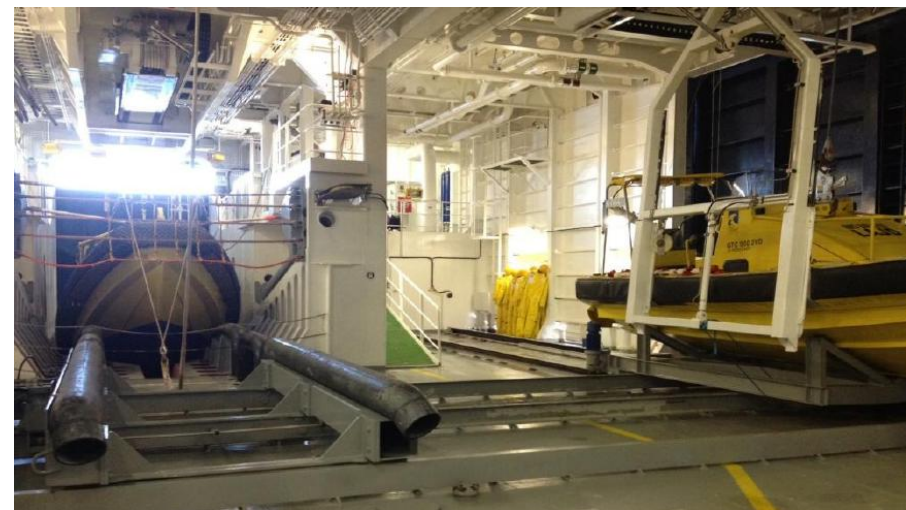
- Significant new capability in 5 months
- Deployable containerised system, with through-life support
- Cost effective, modular design
- Patented solution and inherent technologies
- Advanced inflatables, impact limiting technology
- Wider applications





# Case study 3: Offshore rescue systems

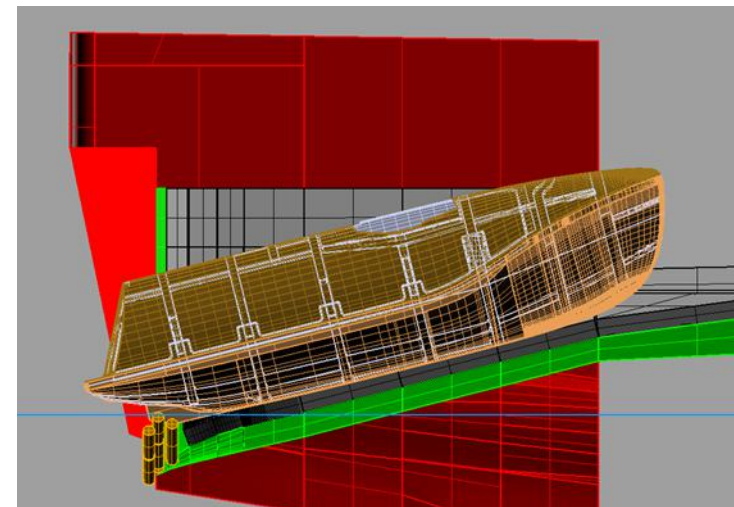
- Extreme offshore operational requirement
- FPSO lifeboat (TEMPSC) recovery to ERRV
- 15m+ craft, 70 people, 6.5m+ significant wave heights, 75+ miles offshore
- Limited crew capability – unmanned similarities
- Stern ramp cost-benefit-capability study
- Sea state assessment
- Sequencing and recovery times
- HAZID – risk reduction, safety critical
- Operational assessment with Seacroft Marine



| Risk Classification                |                    |  | Total loss of capability<br>Boat not repairable        | Loss of capability but repairable with help<br>Mission aborted | Loss of capability but repairable in situ<br>Partial loss of mission | Minor restriction of capability<br>Recoverable RIDDOR | Some damage but no effect on capability<br>Non-RIDDOR |   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|---|---|---|
|                                    |                    |  | Highly probable, extensive structural damage to vessel | Highly probable, extensive structural damage to vessel         | Highly probable, extensive structural damage to vessel               | Minor structural damage to vessel                     | Minor structural damage to vessel                     |   |
|                                    |                    |  | More than 100 deaths                                   | 10 to 100 Deaths   | 1 to 10 deaths   | Permanent RIDDOR                                      | Recoverable RIDDOR                                    |   |
|                                    |                    |  | Catastrophic   | Disastrous   | Critical   | Major   | Marginal  |   |
| Frequency Definition               | Accident Frequency | Accident Frequency to Group at most risk |  |  |  |   |   |   |
| Repeatedly                         | Frequent           | >10 <sup>-1</sup>                        | A  | A  | A  | A   | A   | C |
| From time to time                  | Probable           | 10 <sup>-2</sup> – 10 <sup>-1</sup>      | A  | A  | A  | A   | B   | C |
| Once during its life               | Occasional         | 10 <sup>-3</sup> – 10 <sup>-2</sup>      | A  | A  | A  | B   | C   | D |
| Unlikely during its life           | Remote             | 10 <sup>-4</sup> – 10 <sup>-3</sup>      | A  | A  | B  | C   | C   | D |
| Very unlikely during its life      | Improbable         | 10 <sup>-5</sup> – 10 <sup>-4</sup>      | A  | B  | C  | C   | D   | D |
| Extremely unlikely during its life | Highly Improbable  | 10 <sup>-6</sup> – 10 <sup>-5</sup>      | B  | C  | C  | D   | D   | D |
| Extremely rare event               | Incredible         | >10 <sup>-6</sup>                        | C  | D  | D  | D   | D   | D |

## Case study 3: Offshore rescue systems

- Initial design activities
- Determine relative motions – simulation tools
- Load prediction – connections, interfaces, dynamic effects when connected
- Design for connection - similarities with unmanned vessels
- TEMPSC structural integrity for recovery impacts
- Ramp interaction technologies for boat protection
- Potential design implications for Emergency Response and Rescue Vessels





# Ongoing developments

- Larger commercial daughter craft operating further offshore, in higher sea states
- Increased automation and unmanned systems
- Greater system flexibility required for a range of craft
- Military boat platforms more focussed on offensive roles
- Collaboration between navies – interoperability of boats and systems (cross decking boats)
- Modularity required for ships, boats and systems
- Use of vessels of opportunity
  
- Bring together shipyard, boat provider, davit supplier and operators: integrated approach to design
- Boat-focused ship design
- Autonomous systems to react to dynamics of recovery
- Development of offshore rescue craft recovery systems
- Challenges of crew training





Thank you – any questions?

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