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## PIRIOU creates PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE by taking over MARINE INDUSTRIE SERVICE

PRESS RELEASE



PIRIOU continues its international development and is locating in Abidjan, by acquiring the majority stake in MARINE INDUSTRIE SERVICE (MIS), rebranded PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE.

Created in 1991, MIS offer ship maintenance and repair services, as well as industrial maintenance, for a clientele operating in the fishing, oil and logistics sectors. Located inside the Autonomous port of Abidjan, at the heart of the fishing port, MIS employ 30 staff and have 2000 sq.m of workshops.

PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE will enjoy support from the PIRIOU group to allow them to invest, reinforce their workforce, and enhance their range of services to shipowners. Mr Bruno VILLERS, the previous managing director of MIS, is guiding the launch of PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE as Chairman of the board of directors; Mr Jérôme TINARD, the former assistant director responsible for development at Piriou group, has been appointed General Manager of the Company.



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Vincent FAUJOUR, C.E.O of the PIRIOU group declared: ***"As announced in 2017, PIRIOU is taking all the steps necessary to extend its international network of services to its shipowner customers. After the creation of PIRIOU REUNION in 2017, PIRIOU SENEGAL and PIRIOU MAROC in 2018, the creation of PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE is reinforcing our position in West Africa, in synergy with PIRIOU NIGERIA (WAS). This new addition helps us to reinforce our links with our historic customers such as SAUPIQUET, BOLUDA, CFTO, BOURBON, etc. and to develop our relations with the Ivory Coast companies such as IRES, FOXTROT, SONACO, IRIS group, etc. We are very pleased that, to carry this out we can rely on Bruno and Clotilde VILLERS, thanks to the acquisition of MIS, a company which has an excellent reputation and which deserves investment for growth. "***

Bruno VILLERS, Chairman of the board of directors of PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE, added: ***"I am very proud to sell MIS, a company created by my father that I took over in 2006, to the PIRIOU group. We share the values of commitment, quality and service which will ensure the success of PIRIOU CÔTE D'IVOIRE. I remain committed to serving my clients, my employees and my partners. "***

## About PIRIOU

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Involved in shipbuilding, repair, naval engineering and services since 1965, PIRIOU specializes in producing vessels up to 120 m with high added value through a combination of high-performance engineering and a global network of industrial sites in Europe, Africa and Asia. With over 460 ships built and delivered worldwide, PIRIOU provides bespoke solutions as well as a complete range of standardized or customized vessels that satisfy the requirements of international shipowners, whether they be private or public, civilian or military.

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