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Interferry Sets Course to the Åland Islands for Interferry2027

Interferry, the association that represents the ferry industry worldwide, is thrilled to announce the historic selection of Mariehamn, Åland, as the host city for Interferry2027, their 51st annual conference. The prestigious event will bring together key decision-makers and industry leaders from the global ferry sector for three days of strategic discussions and networking in early October 2027.

“The Åland Islands hold immense strategic significance for the maritime sector in the Baltic Sea,” said Interferry CEO Mike Corrigan. “We are delighted to partner with Viking Line to host Interferry2027 in Mariehamn, a destination that perfectly embodies the spirit of innovation and collaboration that drives our industry forward.”

Viking Line, a pillar of the Åland maritime community, will serve as the official host for the 51st annual Interferry conference. Jan Hanses, CEO of Viking Line, expressed his company’s enthusiasm for the upcoming event.

“Viking Line is honoured to welcome Interferry and its members to the beautiful Åland Islands,” said Hanses. “Interferry’s work is crucial for the continued success of ferry shipping worldwide, and we are proud to showcase the vital role this industry plays in the Åland economy and way of life.”

The annual Interferry Conference has a firm place in the maritime industry’s calendar. The upcoming Interferry2024 conference will be held in Marrakech, Morocco, hosted by FRS/DFDS, with a focus on Safety, Security and Sustainability. Looking further ahead, Interferry2025 will take place in Sorrento, Italy, hosted by Grimaldi Lines, followed by Interferry2026 in Bangkok, Thailand, hosted by Chao Phraya Express Boats, which will mark Interferry’s 50th annual international conference.

Interferry is a highly respected global ferry trade association with consultative status at the International Maritime Organization and similar influence at the European Union as well as many other maritime governance authorities. With membership exceeding 270 companies in more than 40 countries, its primary purposes are to represent the ferry industry on regulatory and policy matters including safety and sustainability; to speak on behalf of the worldwide ferry sector which provides transport for over four billion passengers and 370 million vehicles annually; and to facilitate networking and communications among its members.

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