

## **News Release:**

# **SEPTECH in pole position at Yas Marina**

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With eight years' experience in manufacturing floating pontoon systems and all associated MEP works for marinas in the Middle East, Septech was shortlisted in the 'Specialist Contractor of the Year' category at the 2009 MEP Awards.

Judges selected Septech on the basis of its work at the Royal Yas Marina in Abu Dhabi. Septech was responsible for the design, construction, manufacturing, installation, commissioning and installation of MMS software. It was a turnkey project from design approval to the management of sub-contractors, MEP services and additional berthing points for the F1 on 1 November.

Designed by Septech, this was the first marina of its kind to be installed in the dry. MEP services were installed in all berthing points and landing platforms prior to flooding along with MEP repeater stations, pedestal boxes, pump out stations and power/water connections and customised lighting.

Founded by David Heffernan in 1997, Septech is the leading water infrastructure company in the region. Septech provides in-house business units that specialise in offering solutions to the water, wastewater, mobile water, precast infrastructure, marina and utilities management sector. Over the years, the group has increased its investment profile and talent pool to include the establishment of offices in Saudi Arabia, Oman and North Africa.

Septech has a 20-year exclusive partnership with Bellingham, the world's largest marine developer.

Septech locally designs, manufactures and installs Unifloat floating concrete marina systems, floating wave attenuators and dry stack storage solutions as well as providing marina management and consultancy services.

Internationally renowned for their superior stability, durability, attractive appearance and quality, all of its marine products are designed, engineered and manufactured to the highest international standards.

The latest development at the group is the extension of its presence across the Middle East through the creation of a regional office in Muscat, Oman. Septech Muscat LLC forms part of an ongoing overall GCC expansion strategy. The office, which includes a group of ten engineers and water specialists, is dedicated to building long-term relationships to identify future opportunities, as well as managing all Septech projects in Oman.

While Oman shows great potential for water, wastewater and marine manufacturing, Septech plans on supporting the Omani government to deliver key future infrastructure projects in years to come. To date, Septech has been heavily involved with Aldar, Tatweer, Atlantis, Jumeirah, Emirates, Dubai Holdings, Al Futtaim, Arabtec, Etisalat, TDIC, GCC Authorities, Authority for Water and Electricity in Oman, along with most of the recent marina projects built there.

"Septech is very excited about the establishment of our Oman regional office. The current opportunities in Oman in relation to specialised infrastructure have been a key strategic driver for growth of the Omani government and developers across the sultanate, and we look forward to working closely with these entities to ensure that a world-class water and wastewater infrastructure is built for the population of Oman," commented CEO David Heffernan.

Septech invests heavily in extensive international market research and development in order to stay abreast of industry developments, and to proactively identify opportunities for both clients and stakeholders. “We are looking at three market verticals in and across Oman, which will include our offerings in desalination, sewage-treatment solutions and emergency mobile water applications, including an emphasis on the long-term management of these liquid assets,” revealed Heffernan.

#### **About Septech**

Established in 1997, Septech is a privately owned company that provides innovative water infrastructure and specialized industry solutions to governments, municipalities, public and private developers across the Middle East. Septech’s extensive portfolio spans six major business units, including water, waste water, mobile water, precast infrastructure, marine and utilities management. Septech has distinguished itself within the industry as an independent entity capable of providing tailor-made water solutions and has been involved with a number of landmark projects in the UAE, including the Atlantis hotel, Festival Marina – Dubai Festival City, the Royal Yas Marina – Yas Island, The Els Club – Victory Heights and Tiger Woods, thereby earning the company a reputation as a specialist industry leader.

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