FRANCOISE GILOT

IMO No: 9295517 CONTAINER 2005 / 16162 GT

COMPANY:

Reederei Alnwick Harmstorf & Co. KG, Germany

YARD INFORMATION:

Jiangsu Yangzijiang Shipbuilding Co. Ltd. (China) 2003-656C

Design: MRC 1100

DEMOLITION:

Malacca Strait (Singapore) 4/7/2011 © S. Wiedner

2018: Sold to MPC Container Ships ASA, Norway (MPC Capital AG, Germany). **Renamed AS FRANZISKA**.

2025: Sold to Eastaway Ship Management Pte Ltd (X-Press Feeders), Singapore. **Renamed EA BARU.**

BASIC DATA:

GT: 16162
DWT: 17350
TEU: 1347
Reefer: 392
Loa: 161.30
Bmd: 25.00
Draft: 9.50
Engine: 1x oil B&W 8S50MC-C
Power: 12643 kW
Speed: 19.3 kn
Cranes: 2x45t

OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

EA BARU since 01/06/2025
AS FRANZISKA since 01/03/2018
FRANCOISE GILOT since 01/01/2008
MOL ASANTE since 01/11/2005
MERAK since 01/08/2005
Flag Date of record Source
Liberia since 01/06/2025
Antigua and Barbuda since 01/01/2008
Singapore since 01/12/2006
Liberia since 01/12/2005
Singapore since 01/08/2005
Registered owner Date of record Source
FIDELIO SHIPPING LTD-LIB since 19/06/2025
AS FRANZISKA SCHIFFAHRTS since 12/03/2018
FRANCOISE GILOT SCHIFFFAHRTS since 08/01/2008
OSCARMON PTE LTD since 09/12/2006
MERAK SHIPPING & TRADING LTD since 01/12/2005
MERAK TRANS PTE LTD during 08/2005
Ship manager Date of record Source
EASTAWAY SHIP MANAGEMENT PTE since 19/06/2025
MARLOW SHIP MGMT DEUTSCHLAND since 20/02/2020
HARMSTORF & CO since 08/01/2008
ZEPPENFELD H since 12/12/2005
NAVYLLOYD AG manager since 01/08/2005

NAME HISTORY:

MERAK	2005-05	Merak Transport Pte Ltd, Singapore
MOL ASANTE	2005-08	Merak Shipping & Trading Ltd, Liberia

FRANCOISE GILOT	2008-18	MS "FRANCOISE GILOT" Schiffahrts GmbH & Co. KG, Antigua & Barbuda
AS FRANZISKA	2018-25	"AS FRANZISKA" Schifffahrtsgesellschaft mbH & Co. KG, Antigua & Barbuda
EA BARU	2025-	Fidelio Shipping Ltd, Liberia

GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:

2005: Delivered to Reederei H. Zeppenfeld GmbH & Co. KG, Germany (mgrs. Navy Lloyd AG, Switzerland) as MERAK.

2008: Sold to Reederei Alnwick Harmstorf GmbH & Co. KG, Germany. Renamed FRANCOISE GILOT.

MOL ASANTE (9295517),
ex MERAK -06.

Container: 16.162 gt/17.350 dwt, 1.180 TEU, 2 x 45t Krane, Yangzijiang SY - Abl. 08/05. Die Reederei Horst Zeppenfeld GmbH & Co. KG (Bremen) hat sich von einem ihrer vier im Jahr 2005/2006 in China gebauten Containerschiffen getrennt. Das Quartett entstand bei der Jiangsu Yangzijiang Shipyard und wurde von der Schweizer Tochter Navylloyd AG gemanagt. Die Reederei Alnwick Harmstorf GmbH & Co. KG hat die zuletzt bei Mitsui OSK Line fahrende MERAK am 31. Januar in Port Kelang übernommen, in **FRANCOISE GILOT** umbenannt und nach Antigua & Barbudas umgeflaggt.

(AK 1/2008)

2018:

MPC CONTAINER SHIPS

9 March 2018 Regulatory press release

Vessel Acquisition

Oslo, 9 March 2018 – MPC Container Ships ASA (OSE: MPCC, the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has today entered into an agreement to acquire "Francoise Gilot" (tbn "AS Franziska"), a 1,350 TEU vessel built in 2005. The purchase price for the vessel is USD 6.6m.

(www.mpc-container.com - 9 March 2018)

2025:

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the weekly container shipping newsletter 12 Mar - 18 Mar

MPC Container Ships is said to have sold the 1,341 teu AS FRANZISKA ('MRC 1100') as well as the 1,296 teu AS FABIANA ('CV Neptun 1200').

Neither the price of the sale nor the identity of the buyers have been disclosed.

However, Alphaliner understands that the sale price would be in the region of USD 21 M en bloc and the buyers could be Sea Consortium, the parent of feeder operator X-Press Feeders.

Both vessels are currently on charter to Maersk with their contracts ending in Q2 and Q3.

The AS FRANZISKA was built in 2005 in China originally as the MERAK for German owner Horst Zeppenfeld. The ship has a deadweight of 17,350 tons, a length of 161.30 m and a beam of 25.00 m.

She is equipped with two cranes of 45 tons and is fitted with 449 reefer plugs, making her an ideal ship for reefer-intensive routes.

(Source: Alphaliner Weekly Newsletter 11/2025)

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