

PRESS RELEASE

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## **Eckerö Link Strengthens Its Position – Acquires M/S Sailor to Replace M/S Fjärdvägen**

Eckerö Group continues its commitment to sustainable and efficient maritime transport by acquiring the vessel M/S Sailor. The ship will be operated by the company's subsidiary Eckerö Link Ab. M/S Sailor will replace M/S Fjärdvägen on the route between Långnäs and Naantali, marking a strategic step aligned with the Eckerö Group's long-term vision of offering "floating bridges" between regions and creating a cohesive, sustainable transport chain across the Baltic Sea.

The acquisition of M/S Sailor enables Eckerö Link to offer increased capacity, improved energy efficiency, and potential for future development in both freight and passenger traffic. This strengthens Åland's role as a hub for maritime transport and creates new opportunities for both business and society.

"The connection between Åland and mainland Finland has long been the missing link in our offering. With M/S Sailor, we are now taking the next step to ensure a modern, reliable, and sustainable transport solution for the future," says Björn Blomqvist, CEO of the Eckerö Group.

Eckerö Link focuses on integrating freight traffic and logistics solutions within the group's structure, benefiting both business and society. With M/S Sailor, Eckerö Link can further optimize fuel consumption, energy efficiency, and cargo coordination—factors that are crucial in today's competitive and climate-conscious transport sector.

"Our ambition is to be a reliable partner for the future of maritime transport, with local roots and a global perspective. With M/S Sailor, we strengthen our position and are ready to meet future challenges and opportunities," says Jonas Henriksson, CEO of Eckerö Link Ab.

The transaction is a natural step in the Eckerö Group's strategy to offer sustainable and natural transport solutions across the sea, where maritime transport is the obvious choice for both environmental and efficiency reasons.

### **Facts about M/S Sailor:**

Built in 1987 by Gdansk Shipyard, Gdansk, Poland  
Dimensions: 157.7 x 25.3 x 7.04 m  
Gross Tonnage / Net Tonnage / Deadweight: 20,921 / 6,277 / 6.535  
Machinery: Two Wärtsilä-Sulzer 12ZAV40 engines  
Power: 15,360 kW  
Service Speed 85%: 19 knots  
Passengers: 119  
Cabins: 60  
Lane meters: 1,647

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