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## Press Release

### **ELA Container Offshore GmbH celebrates it's 1-year anniversary Numerous offshore projects have been completed since the company was founded in August 2014**

More than ever before, energy companies are heading out to the open sea for the utilization of wind, oil and gas. Far away from the coast, usually over a period of several years, engineers and professional forces work together on the construction, commissioning and maintenance of wind turbine power plants, drilling rigs or parts of the infrastructure. ELA Container GmbH reacted to the increasing demand for adequate accommodation, lounges and work spaces at sea by establishing a subsidiary specializing in the offshore sector.

Exactly one year ago on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2014, ELA Container Offshore GmbH was established and now it is celebrating it's one year anniversary. Following the successful launch of the company which was founded in 2014, ELA Container Offshore GmbH has already rented out 370 offshore units and is optimistic about the future. "ELA Container GmbH Offshore is active in a highly specialized market that places special demands on our products, assembly and logistics", explains Hans Gatzemeier, Managing Director of ELA Container Offshore GmbH.

"I am very excited about what our team has accomplished in the first year. In addition to the realization of many large and small offshore projects and taking part in numerous international exhibitions, we were also able to hire new employees to support our team. In just one year, the number of our employees has risen to nine. We are especially pleased that we have increased our activities abroad and could hire two new employees for business development North America in Houston, Texas / USA", says Hans Gatzemeier.

One focus of the company is placed on participation and exhibiting at major trade shows throughout the world. "Since August of 2014, we have visited many international exhibitions and have exhibited at leading trade fairs. We took our containers with us on site throughout Europe, including Hamburg, Frankfurt, Amsterdam and Copenhagen amongst others", says Katharina Pleus, Marketing Manager of ELA Container Offshore GmbH. "The upcoming months will be very exciting because we will be exhibiting our offshore accommodation containers at global exhibitions such as the SPE Offshore Europe in Aberdeen, HusumWind in Husum, the Offshore Energy in Amsterdam, the ADIPEC in Abu Dhabi and the OTC in Houston. Hence, we are increasing our visibility and name recognition beyond national borders as well as intensifying our international customer loyalty", says Pleus.

In the course of numerous "first year" projects, ELA Container Offshore GmbH has gained plenty of valuable experience in the fields of offshore wind, offshore oil and gas, equipment for supply ships and dredging. In addition to Germany, ELA Offshore Containers were delivered to Africa, Kazakhstan, Norway, Denmark, Mexico and the Netherlands.

All ELA offshore units are made in Germany according to German quality standards and have the DNV 2.7-1 / EN 12079 and CSC certificates. Depending on customer requirements, ELA Offshore Containers are individually adaptable, immediately operational and readily available.

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The main features of ELA offshore accommodations include:

- Flexibility on demand
- One basic type with various accommodation solutions
- Easy handling thanks to ISO standard dimensions
- Highest quality standards

For more information about the company, its products and services, please visit [www.ela-offshore.com](http://www.ela-offshore.com)

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ELA Container Offshore GmbH is part of the Albers group. The family owned company was founded in 1972 and employs 450 employees. The on- and offshore container park currently encompasses more than 22,000 rental containers. The own fleet with 60 special trucks with crane ensure a safe and prompt transport and assembly all over Europe. ELA containers are universal in application.



Many projects were completed for the offshore wind industry: Containers and gangways on a platform in the North Sea



Offshore accommodation containers are not only needed on rigs and platforms but also for various types of ships: Three-story high container facility on a supply vessel

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