

# RICKMERS SEOUL

IMO No: 9244556 GENERAL CARGO 2003 / 23119 GT

## COMPANY:

Rickmers Reederei GmbH & Cie.  
KG, Germany

## YARD INFORMATION:

Shanghai Shipyard  
(China) 1102  
Design: Superflex-MPC

## DEMOLITION:



Singapore 29/6/2018 © S. Wiedner

**2017:** Purchased by MPC / Project operator Zeaborn (Bremen, Germany)

**2019:** Renamed ZEA SEOUL.

**2020:** Renamed MPV CLIO.

## BASIC DATA:

GT: 23119  
DWT: 30151  
TEU: 1888  
Reefer: 150  
Loa: 192.85  
Bmd: 27.80  
Draft: 11.20  
Engine: 1x oil B&W 7S60MC-C  
Power: 15785 kW  
Speed: 18.0 kn  
Cranes: 2x320t; 1x100t; 1x45t

## OWNER & FLAG HISTORY:

MPV CLIO since 01/04/2020  
ZEA SEOUL since 01/04/2019  
RICKMERS SEOUL since 01/05/2003  
SHANGHAI SHIPYARD 1102 14-01-2002 LRF  
Flag Date of record Source  
Portugal (MAR) since 01/08/2021  
Marshall Islands since 01/10/2003  
Registered owner Date of record Source  
MARITIME SHIP INVESTMENT 1 since 12/08/2021  
MSI 1 LTD since 18/05/2021  
CL SEOUL LLC since 20/05/2019  
ZEA SEOUL GMBH & CO KG since 25/10/2017  
WILMORE SHIPPING CO LTD since 10/10/2003  
Ship manager Date of record Source  
ZEABORN SHIP MANAGEMENT since 18/05/2021  
HAMMONIA REEDEREI GMBH since 26/03/2020

**NAME HISTORY:**

RICKMERS SEOUL	2003-17	Wilmore Shipping Co. Ltd., Marshall Islands
RICKMERS SEOUL	2017-19	Zea Seoul GmbH & Co KG, Marshall Islands
ZEA SEOUL	2019-20	CL Seoul LLC, Marshall Islands
MPV CLIO	2020-	CL Seoul LLC, Marshall Islands

**GENERAL VESSEL INFORMATION:**

**2003:**

Hamburg based Rickmers Linie is taking delivery of a series of nine new Superflex Heavy MPC class vessels. The latest was christened RICKMERS SEOUL in South Korea on April 22, less than a month following the delivery of a sister ship, RICKMERS JAKARTA. Seven more of the same type are already in service. The ships, which can carry containers, breakbulk, and heavy lift cargo, are deployed in Rickmers' fortnightly Round-The-World Pearl String Service, which calls at a number of U.S. ports. Like her eight sister vessels, RICKMERS SEOUL is equipped with flexible tweendecks, dehumidifying devices in all holds, and heavy-lift capacity of up to 640 tons.

(<http://www.aapa-ports.org> - 3 May 2004)

**2017:**



**Zeaborn bags Rickmers 'Superflex MPC' multipurpose - heavylift quintet**

Bremen-based multipurpose and project operator Zeaborn has purchased five 30,000 dwt 'Superflex MPC' multi-purpose vessels from the Hamburg-based Rickmers Group for a reported en-bloc price of \$30 M.

The five ships included in the transaction are the RICKMERS DALIAN, RICKMERS JAKARTA, RICKMERS NEW ORLEANS, RICKMERS SEOUL and RICKMERS SINGAPORE, all built between 2003 & 2004 in two different Chinese yards, Xiamen and Shanghai Shipyards.

The purchase of these ships adds to the earlier acquisition by Zeaborn of a sister vessel, the RICKMERS HAMBURG, bought when Zeaborn took control of Hamburg-based Rickmers Linie in April 2017.

The RICKMERS DALIAN and her sisters feature a deadweight of 30,095 tons, a Loa of 192.90 m and a beam of 27.00 m. They are highly versatile multi-purpose cargo vessels fitted with a strong gear that features two cranes of 320 tons (combinable to 640 tons) as well as one crane of 100 tons and one of 50 tons.

The ships are also able to carry up to 1,888 teu and they were originally part of a nine-vessel series delivered to Rickmers Linie in 2003-2004.

Rickmers remains for the time being owner of the RICKMERS ANTWERP, RICKMERS SHANGHAI and RICKMERS TOKYO which are time chartered to Zeaborn and operated alongside their sisters, on Rickmers Linie 'Pearl String' Eastbound Round-the-World service, an operation which is now part of the Zeaborn Group.

The Zeaborn Group has been expanding quickly since it was set up in 2013, a milestone development being its take-over of Rickmers Linie and affiliate NPC Projects (ex Nordana Projects) in April 2017. The companies currently under the Zeaborn umbrella operate 200 staff and about 50 multi-purpose vessels ranging from 7,500 to 30,000 dwt, with lifting capacities up to 700 tons.

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## Zeaborn takes five more Rickmers ships

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Rickmers-Linie buyer takes ownership of five multi-purpose vessels operating the line's Pearl String service

GERMAN multi-purpose vessel owner Zeaborn has confirmed that it has taken five heavylift cargo vessels off the hands of Rickmers Holdings.

Zeaborn, which acquired insolvent Hamburg shipping giant Rickmers Group multi-purpose vessel division Rickmers-Linie earlier this year, said that it had signed contracts for five 30,000 dwt superflex heavylift units that were sister ships of the previously purchased Rickmers Hamburg. The respective parties have agreed not to disclose the value of contracts for each vessel. The ships are employed as part of the Rickmers Line liner service.

The five vessels, Rickmers Singapore, Rickmers Jakarta, Rickmers New Orleans, Rickmers Seoul and Rickmers Dalian — equipped with four cranes allowing for a combined lifting capacity of 640 tonnes — will be renamed to incorporate the Zeaborn title by the end of September.

(<https://lloydslist.maritimeintelligence.informa.com> - 09 August 2017)

2020:



### Multipurpose cargo vessels make comeback in tonnage - tight container market

The dearth of cellular container tonnage in the charter market is forcing some carriers to tap into the multi-purpose market to cover their needs, targeting ships with good speeds and high container intakes.

Illustrating this trend, South Korean carrier HMM has fixed the MPV THALIA, a 30,000 dwt 'Superflex MPC' multi-purpose cargo vessel with a capacity of 1,888 teu for a 5-6 month charter. The vessel is being deployed on a container route between South Korea and the Russian Far East.



above: the heavy-lifter ZEA NEW ORLEANS, built as the RICKMERS NEW OLEANS and today known as the MPV THALIA is one of several multipurpose cargo ships that have recently been fixed by container lines.

photo: S. Verberckmoes

(Source: Alphaliner Weekly Newsletter 45/2020)



### Liners turn to multipurpose tonnage to plug gaps in charter market

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South Korea's HMM, for instance, has fixed the *MPV Thalia*, a 30,000 dwt MPP, capable of carrying 1,888 teu for up to six months, according to *Alphaliner*. The Korean operator is also about to deploy a sister ship onto its liner network, while Indonesia's Samudera has taken the *MPV Clío* on a medium-term charter starting next month.

(<https://splash247.com/> - November 19, 2020)