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## MOUAWAD CONSULTING AS ACCELERATES GROWTH WITH OPENING OF NEW OFFICE IN SHANGHAI, CHINA

New office expansion enables Mouawad Consulting AS to accelerate growth in 3D scanning, retrofit and commissioning of BWMS in the Asian Market

Hamar, Norway, March 24, 2017 – Mouawad Consulting AS, the leading provider of consultancy and engineering services related to Ballast Water Management onboard ships, recently opened a new office in the city of Shanghai, China, to accommodate rapid growth and leverage the area's diverse needs for retrofit and commissioning services for BWMS. In addition to the headquarters in Hamar, Norway, the new office doubles our footprint and supports the company's growth strategy. Mouawad Consulting's strategic agreements with some of the largest ship owners as well as the impending entry into force of the BWM Convention, has accelerated the company's growth and resource requirements.

"The decision to expand our presence into China was a logical step in our business growth strategy," said Jad Mouawad, CEO. "The area is the central hub for retrofits and commissioning of BWMS, an area we have seen fabulous growth in the past two years. We have the opportunity to further expand staffing and capabilities in our 3D scanning, retrofit and commissioning services, and cover the large need in the Chinese market"

The company's offices will be on *Level 12 Platinum, 233 Tai Cang Road, Shanghai, 200020, P.R. China* and can be contacted directly at <a href="mailto:shanghai@bwm.no">shanghai@bwm.no</a> and +86 13967232721.

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