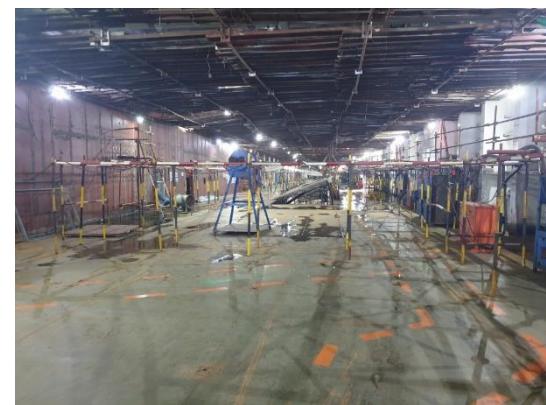


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Stena RoRo's fifth E-Flexer RoPax launched in China – has unique design and becomes longest ferry in the English Channel

The Côte d'Opale is the fifth in the Stena E-Flexer RoPax class. Stena RoRo has signed a long-term charter agreement with DFDS, which has been very involved in the ship's unique design. When put into service next summer, the Côte d'Opale, with its 214 meters, will be the longest ferry operating in the English Channel.



Stena RoRo has thus far ordered nine large RoPax vessels of the E-Flexer class from Chinese shipyard CMI Jinling (Weihai) and has an option for two more. The Côte d'Opale will serve the Dover-Calais route and differs from other E-Flexer vessels in that it lacks cabins. Instead, there will be extra-large areas for activities and conveniences for passengers. The stem is especially designed to fit the quayside facilities in both ports and in addition, it is equipped with a third bow thruster to facilitate the many daily maneuvers in port.

"The Côte d'Opale is a good example of these vessels' high degree of flexibility," says Per Westling, CEO for Stena RoRo. "We focus on adapting the design to our customers' specific wishes. In addition to far-reaching regarding the environmental aspects and technology, flexibility is one of the departure points for the E-Flexer RoPax class."

Now that the Côte d'Opale has been launched, work continues with creating the on-board environment and the installation of systems and equipment. The ferry will be put into service immediately after delivery, scheduled for June 30, 2021.

About Stena E-Flexer

The Stena E-Flexer vessels combine cargo and passenger capabilities, and are substantially larger than today's standard ferries. The Stena E-Flexer class is at the forefront in terms of sustainability and sets a new standard in terms of emissions, cost and energy efficiency, as well as performance.



About the Côte d'Opale

Length: 214.5

Draught: 6.4 m

Breadth: 27.8 m

Capacity: 3100 lane meters + 120 cars, 1000 passengers

Specification of Stena E-Flexer order at CMI Jinling (Weihai), China:

1. Stena Line (in service between Holyhead and Dublin in early 2020)
2. Stena Line (in service between Belfast and Liverpool in 2020)
3. Brittany Ferries (long-term charter agreement for service between the United Kingdom and Spain)
4. Stena Line (in service between Belfast and Liverpool in 2021)
5. DFDS (long-term charter contract for service in the English Channel)
6. Brittany Ferries with LNG operation (long-term charter agreement for service between the UK and Spain)
7. Stena Line (extended version, delivery 2022)
8. Stena Line (extended version, delivery 2022)
9. Brittany Ferries with LNG operation (long-term charter agreement, delivery 2023)

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Since 1977, **Stena RoRo** has led the development of new marine RoRo, cargo and passenger concepts. We specialize in custom-built vessels, as well as standardized RoRo and RoPax ships. The company leases about fifteen vessels to operators worldwide, both to other Stena companies and third parties. Stena RoRo applies its technical expertise to design and convert existing ships for delivering tailor-made transport solutions to its customers. We call it "Stenability".

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