

Conti's latest Aker Yards delivers second of five-ship series

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THE German Aker Yards has delivered another newbuilding to KG financier Conti, with tramp owner NSB Niederelbe taking over management of the ship, writes Katrin Berkenkopf in Cologne.

The 2,100 teu Conti Elektra is the second of the shipbuilding group's new CS 2100 type and the second in a series of five vessels for Conti. The vessel has been chartered out to Argentine carrier Maruba and will start trading as Maruba Africa in South America. The ship has 400 reefer plugs.

Meanwhile, the two German yards are looking for a new president as Jürgen Kennemann will resign with effect from September 1. He will then take up his new post as executive vice-president of strategic developments in Aker Yards, a based in the Oslo headquarters.

At the same time Mr Kennemann will give up his responsibilities for the group's business area Merchant Vessels. This will in future be headed by Tom Einertsen, who has been with Aker Yards since 2003.
