Transas signs a prestigious contract with City of Glasgow College

April 10, 2014 – United Kingdom. On March 14, Transas Marine and City of Glasgow College signed a contract to supply a simulation complex. The simulation centre in the Riverside campus which is under construction, will be one of the largest, the most up to date and most technically advanced simulation suite in the UK. Training courses are expected to start in Autumn 2015.

The ship simulator suite forms a core part of the new Riverside Campus and the complex nature of the equipment and fit out require a high degree of integration with the New Campus NPD Co (Scottish Government's Non Profit Distributing revenue funded procurement model) design. Transas provided technical integration input into the refinement of design for the New NPD Campus project.

The simulator suite will include a full mission engine room simulator, three simulator labs: for studying of electronic navigation systems, GMDSS training, liquid cargo handling and DP operations training. Ship handling simulators part will house four part-task bridges with 135° visualisation and a 360° full mission ship handling simulator which will be used for advanced training and certification.

Iain Marley, Project Director, City of Glasgow College remarks: "Due to expected growth in maritime training over the coming years and introduction of the Manila Amendments of the Standards for Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW) 2010 conference, the College acknowledges that in order to maintain its position within the sector, both nationally and internationally, that now is an ideal time to enhance the provision of simulation equipment installed previously. The requirement for leadership and management courses at all levels, but particularly at the operational and management levels, as defined in STCW 2010, has also influenced the identification of requirements. This is true particularly in regards to the connectivity of individual items of simulation equipment, as joint training of deck and engineering officers for certain aspects of leadership and management training will now become mandatory. The expected demand for growth in dynamic positioning training has also been a major factor in the design of the simulation equipment."

The City of Glasgow College (the "College") was formed in September 2010 from the merger of three existing further education (FE) colleges within central Glasgow including the former Glasgow College of Nautical Studies. The College is now one of the largest FE colleges in Scotland and the only major provider of maritime education and training. Part of the merger strategy included the rationalisation of the estates of the former colleges through the construction of two distinct new city centre campuses (Riverside & City) (the "New Campus NPD Project"). The New Campus NPD Project will provide modern facilities to enable the College to deliver high class education, in state of the art facilities that will meet the need of the city, Scotland and the wider international market in terms of students and employers.