

Dutch Firm Lands Nigerian Contracts

Royal Boskalis Westminster (Netherlands) has been awarded a number of contracts in Nigeria with a total value of approximately EUR90 million. The largest contract was awarded by Prodeco International and involves dredging and reclamation works for the expansion of the Federal Lighter Terminal and the Federal Ocean Terminal in Onne Port, which is managed by Intels Nigeria, a large logistic service supplier to the oil and gas industry.

Boskalis will reclaim approximately 180 hectares of land for the further development of the Onne Port Oil & Gas Free Zone. The material required for the reclamation works will be sourced from nearby creeks and rivers using a cutter dredger and a medium-sized hopper dredger. The project is set to commence mid-2011 and will last approximately two to three years.

Three other recently awarded projects in Nigeria are related to construction of riverbed protection works, maintenance dredging of canals and land reclamation works - all in the Niger Delta.