

## Renaissance unit Topaz acquires two vessels

Muscat - Renaissance subsidiary Topaz Energy and Marine, a leading offshore support vessel company with primary operations in the Middle East and Caspian, on Wednesday announced the acquisition of two large and modern anchor handling towage and supply vessels (AHTSVs) at a purchase price of over US\$100mn.

The vessels, *Caspian Challenger* and *Caspian Endeavour*, are sister vessels built by Kleven Maritime in Norway in 2008 and 2009, respectively. The vessels are equipped with dynamic positioning DP2, automated safe-anchor-handing capabilities and are currently the most powerful vessels operating in the Caspian basin at 17,200 BHP and 190 tonnes bollard pull. The vessels are wholly capable of deepwater work anywhere in Topaz's current global footprint and in general, a press release said.